



School News

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Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

We saw history made yesterday as a new pope was chosen. He will be known as Leo XIV and has said he will work to build bridges. We pray for him as he takes on his new role as leader of the Catholic Church.

Faithful God,
You guide us on the path of life
and your goodness is our constant companion.
Be with our new Shepherd, Pope Leo XIV,
in his service of the Church.
Fill him with the power of your Spirit,
the peace of your presence
and the compassion of Christ.
May he walk with you,
in wisdom and humility,
and lead us, together with all God's people,
to embody your love for the world.
Amen



'Well Done'

*to the following pupils who received
Learner of the Week awards:*

Reception - Lana Year 1 – Rufus

Year 2 – Phoebe Year 3 – Alice

Year 4 – Izzy Year 5 – Gleb

Year 6 – Kishan

Headteacher's Award

Year 4

Attendance Award

Reception & Year 3 - 100%

HT Active Award

Austin



Message from the Headteacher

This week has flown by, thanks to the bank holiday weekend, but we have still managed to do so much in school.

I have had the pleasure of being in classes more this week and have loved seeing what the children have been working on. I have been particularly impressed with their oracy skills and increasing maturity shown as we move closer to the last term of the academic year.

On Wednesday, our Year 4 children enjoyed an afternoon of foreign languages alongside children from all the Partnership Schools. They were taught French, German and Spanish. They thoroughly enjoyed playing games and they especially enjoyed the French cheese tasting! Great fun was had by all, and the enthusiasm and participation was infectious! Thanks to the staff and pupils at Chipping Norton School for organising the event.

We celebrated the 80th anniversary of VE day on Thursday. Mr Kinhan Brown led us in an assembly, classes took part in different activities throughout the day including a celebratory 'street party' and we wore red, white and blue to remember all those who were in World War 2.

On Friday, Year 4 and 5 students visited the Kingham Sculpture Trail, where they explored an inspiring collection of sculptures created by talented local artists. A highlight of the trip was seeing a sculpture crafted by our very own Year 5 students proudly displayed among the professional works. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to appreciate art in a real-world setting - and to see their creativity celebrated in a public exhibition!

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be undertaking their KS 2 SATs assessments in GPS, Reading and Maths. The children have worked hard and we are extremely proud of them. It is important that the children do not feel pressured during the assessments, we will do our utmost to ensure that we will be there to support each child throughout the week. To help prepare your child at home, please can we ask:

- To ensure that they eat a good breakfast, bring a water bottle and arrive on time
- Help them to have a good night's sleep each night.

As always, school will be a calm environment to help the Year 6 children feel settled. What the tests do not assess is the uniqueness and special character each of our children possess. All we want for the children is to be the best version of themselves. We are proud of all you have achieved!

Have a great weekend!



Catholic Life

This term's values are Compassionate and Loving

Pupils in our school are growing to be . . .

Compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and loving by their just actions and forgiving words.

Chaplains

This week the chaplains looked at the paschal candle in more detail and learnt about its symbols: Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end. God is eternal: "From everlasting to everlasting You are God." (Psalm 90). We also prayed for the cardinals to be guided by the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for VE day

Dear Lord,

We give you thanks for VE day and we remember all who had to endure so much during WWII. Please help us to appreciate everything that we have today.

Lord Jesus, you said to your friends "Peace be with you". Have mercy on everyone who is still suffering from the many wars today.

Lord, help us to respect each other and to learn to live in peace.
Amen.

Prayer for the Pope

Habemus Papam. We have a pope!

Thank you Lord for our new pope, Leo XIV. Please bless him as he begins his journey as pope. Lord, give to your shepherd a spirit of courage and right judgement, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter, build your Church with love and peace for all the world.

Amen.

The Month of May

During this month of May, Mrs Leary and the chaplaincy team have been leading the praying of the Rosary on a Monday . All children are welcome to join and may bring their own Rosary Beads.

May Procession

On Tuesday 20th May, at 1:45pm, we will be having our May Procession in school. On this day, those children who made their First Holy Communion last year are invited to wear their communion clothes. All children are invited to bring a fresh flower in on the morning of the May Procession.

First Holy Communion

Please keep members of our Year 3 and Year 4 classes in your prayers; as they continue their preparation programme. They will receive the Eucharist for the first time on their First Holy Communion Day – Sunday 22nd June.

The Year of Hope

Each month we have a different activity themed around The Year of Hope. May is all about reflecting on our environment and children have been writing letters of hope and thank you cards in their classes.



SEN

SEN Coffee Afternoon

Mrs McGeehan and Mrs Wickens will be hosting our termly SEN coffee afternoon on Monday 19th May at 2:15pm. The themes of this meeting will include: transition to the next year group, a review of SEND provision this year and conversations around next steps with ideas for the summer holidays and the next academic year. This is open to all our families and your child does not need to be on the SEND register in order for you to attend. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible. As always there will be warm drinks and treats provided.

MHST Parent Workshops

We had a great first parent workshop, run by the Mental Health Support Team- 'Helping Your Child with Fears and Worries': Empowering parents to manage and understand their child's anxiety. The second of these workshops will take place on Thursday 15th May at 1:45pm. If you were unable to attend the first workshop, you are warmly invited to come along to part two. We will do a summary of the first workshop to lead into the second.

Please contact the office if you would like to attend these, so we know how many chairs, coffee cups and biscuits we will need. This is a really great opportunity and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible.



Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance for the week is: 97%. This is wonderful and exceeds our target of 96%. Thank-you so much for all of your support with ensuring children are at school and on time each day. It really does make a difference.

PTA NEWS

Chastleton Teas on Thursday 19th June - thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who have been in touch to bake a cake or volunteer on Thursday 19th June. We will collect the cakes at drop off on Thursday morning.

Summer Fete - this will take place on **Saturday 7th June**. Please come forward to volunteer, supply a raffle prize or with any fundraising ideas you may have.

Each year the PTA raises funds to spend on enhancing our children's experience, education and facilities within the school.

Don't forget, you can support the PTA in these two easy ways:

- Need name labels? Buy through Stikins and use code 10091 - we will receive 30% of whatever you spend
- Play the lottery at <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/holy-trinity-catholic-school> and be in with a chance of winning in the weekly draw. It's only £1 per ticket and all profits come to the school.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Rosary Term	
Wednesday 14 th May	Year 2 Trip to The British Motor Museum
Thursday 15 th May	Parent Workshop Part 2 1.45pm 'Helping your child with fears and worries' Empowering parents to manage and understand their child's anxiety.
Monday 19 th May	SEN Coffee Afternoon - 2.15pm
Tuesday 20 th May	May Procession 1.45pm
Wednesday 21 st May	Year 4 Everdon Residential Meeting - 2.45pm
Thursday 22 nd May	Non Uniform Day - Bring a Raffle Prize
	Parent Open afternoon 3pm - To View Children's Work
Friday 23 rd May	INSET
Half Term	Monday 26 th - Friday 30 th May
Thursday 5 th June	Whole School Mass
Friday 6 th June	Reception Trip to Cogges
Saturday 7 th June	PTA Summer Fete
Tuesday 10 th June	Coffee Morning for New Reception Parents - 9.45am
Monday 16 th - Wednesday 18 th June	Year 4 Everdon Residential
Friday 20 th June	Sports Day
Sunday 22 nd June	First Holy Communion
Tuesday 24 th June	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wednesday 25 th June	Coffee Morning for New Reception Parents - 9.15am
Thursday 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition Day
Friday 4 th July	Whole School Move Up Day
	New Reception Parents Meeting - 11am
	Year 6 Transition Day
Friday 11 th July	PTA End of Year Disco
Monday 14 th July	French Day
Tuesday 15 th July	Year 6 End of Year Production - 5pm
Friday 18 th July	End of Year Mass - 9am

This Week in Pictures

Year 4 MFL Festival



VE Day Celebrations



VE Day Celebrations KS1 Street Party





PTA Newsletter



SUMMER

Fete

June 7th

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Harvey Holland Estate agents failed to inform us of the printing time for the boards and so have withdrew their offer of supporting us with advertising our summer fete :(Sad times. But we just wanted to say thank you to everyone who came forward with their address

Cancelled!



Dates for your Diary

9th May - 315pm

Frozen Friday - Ice creams £1 - £1.50

22nd May - Non uniform day!

Please donate a prize for the Tombola!

26th - 31st May

Whistun week Half Term - ENJOY!!

7th June - Summer Fete 11am-2pm

Attending? Could you help out? Face painting? BBQ? All volunteers will receive a free drink & Ice cream!

Please email us or grab one of us in the school playground if you're happy to help us at the fete!!

We need face painters, cake donations, BBQ servers, Bouncy castle supervisors any help is gratefully received!



THE PTA NEEDS YOUR HELP

**We need volunteers to work alongside some
PTA members for our Chastleon Tea events
Plus we need lots of your delicious bakes, cakes and treats**

THURSDAY 19TH JUNE 12.30-5.30

**Stints of 12.30 -3 or 3-5.30 BUT any hours are really helpful as it's a
busy event**

Chastleton Church GL56 0SU

**Last year these two events raised over £1200 which help pay
towards the whole school trip to the panto –
Its vital funds for the PTA**

Please email the pta on

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with any hours you can help or bakes you can provide

