

I am delighted that our pupil groups have now been chosen. This year, we have a school council, eco-council (Laudato si team), STEM ambassadors, ministers of faith, prefects, well-being champions, sports leaders and virtues team. I know they will do a great job in supporting our school as pupil leaders and look forward to working with them all. I would also like to congratulate Miss Gray and her family on the birth of their new baby this week.

### Ministers of faith

Our ministers of faith have been elected in both Y5 and Y6. They will help in Mass but also help to develop the Catholic life of our school. Here is their message to you:

*"We are looking forward to helping Fr Michael and Fr Ramesh in Mass and we are hoping to support our school community to develop their faith. We want to act as role models and try to make everyone in our school a disciple as we listen, learn and grow with Jesus. We invite you to join us as we celebrate Mass every fortnight. The dates are always on Mrs Walsh's newsletter." (Joseph, Noah D, Noah W and Oliver - Y6 ministers of faith)*



### Important dates

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> September - Y5 residential visit to Alton Castle  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September - Phonic workshop for Y1 parents  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September - Macmillan coffee afternoon 2.45pm  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October - School led Mass at St John's church 10.30am  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Y2 visit to Packington farm  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Mass led by Y4 (all welcome)  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October - Parent consultations 4pm - 7pm  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Mass led by Y5 (all welcome)  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Parent consultations 3.45pm - 5.45pm  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Individual photographs  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October - School closes for half term.  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Half term holiday  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November - INSET day (school closed for pupils)  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November - School opens for pupils

### Parking

Unfortunately, a small minority of parents are continuing to part in a dangerous way despite numerous appeals to park more considerately. As this is now a safeguarding matter for our pupils, we have had no choice but to report the individuals concerned to ensure our pupils remain safe around school. I am hoping that there will be a larger police presence moving forward. I would like to thank the vast majority of parents who are choosing to park safely and with consideration.

### Uniform

Thank you to parents for sending pupils into school looking so smart now in their school uniform and dark coloured PE kit. Please ensure that clothing is labelled so any lost items can be returned to their rightful owners. Thank you.

### **Stars of the week**

Reception - Anna and Joseph

Year 1 - Harry and Isabella

Year 2 - Emily and Brandon

Year 3 - Duggie and Maddie

Year 4 - Zeke and Olivia

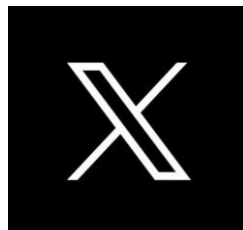


Lunchtime stars - Rebecca, Isabella, Ernie, Nyah, Mylee, Lexie, Noah

Congratulations to all the children who have been nominated in our *Gifts of God* assembly today. We are very proud of you all.

### **Pope Francis says:**

"God's justice does not measure love on the scales of our returns, our performance or our failures: God just loves us, He loves us because we are his children, and He does so with an unconditional and freely-given love."



### **Prayer**

**Dear Lord,**

As we begin this new school year, we pray for your blessing in all our work and play. Help us to grow closer to you each day as we *listen, learn and grow with Jesus,*

Amen.