

## **Guardian Angels Catholic Primary School**

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Friday 12th July 2019

Guided by the teachings of the Church we pray, work, celebrate, and care for each other and other people using the gifts we have been given by God the Father, Son and Spirit.

### This half term's virtues are:

<u>Intentional:</u> Planning our actions and choosing to live how God wants us to. Every action we make has an impact on other people and the world around us. If we live intentionally, we listen to our conscience and deliberately decide that the actions we take will have a positive impact. We use the earth's resources wisely, think about the choices we make, and care for God's creation.

<u>Prophetic:</u> Spreading the word of God through how we live our lives. As we choose to act intentionally and make good decisions, we encourage others to do the same. We set a good example through our words and deeds and inspire other people to act in a positive and wise way. We help people to make the right decisions themselves and think about how God wants them to live their lives.

Dates for your diary		
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	Leavers and End of Year Mass (All welcome)
		Year 6 reports will be sent home
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	Year 6 Assembly (parents welcome)
	4.30pm – 6pm	Year 6 Leavers disco
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	ALL DAY	Toy Day
		School closes for the Summer Holidays



### **Invitation to Mass**

All are welcome to join us on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 9:15am for our school Mass, which will be our Year 6 leavers Mass

All families are invited to <u>Family Mass</u> on the first Sunday of each month at The Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church:

### Sunday August 4th at 9.45am

Please join the FIA (Faith in Action) for tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits which will be served in the porch following mass. We hope to see you there.



### **Changes to School Hours from September 2019**

Reminder that school will begin at 8.55am Monday to Friday and close at 2pm on Friday, starting from September 2019. All other timings will remain the same. If there are any parents with extenuating circumstances who cannot collect their child at 2pm on a Friday, please contact the school to arrange a time to meet with Mrs Milligan. Please remember that from September the school gates back and side in the mornings will open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am. If you arrive after this time you will need to enter through the main reception and sign your child in with reasons for why you are late.

### **SATS Results**

Well done to all our Year 6 children who received their SATs results this week. Their effort definitely showed in the fantastic results each child achieved. Thank you also to Mr Johnson, Mrs Martin and Mrs Hughes for supporting and preparing the children so well for these tests.



















### **Parish Party**

Mother of God and Guardian Angels Church are hosting a Parish Party on <u>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm – 4pm.</u> Please make every effort to attend, as this is a wonderful opportunity for the school and parish to come together and for everybody to have a great time

### Mass - Led By EYFS and Year 1

Thank you to EYFS and Year 1 for a beautiful Mass this week and a huge thank you to those children in Year 5 that helped out with the readings.

### **Change in School Mass Day From September**

Please be aware that our school Mass is moving to a Wednesday from September. Thank you to those people who have attended our Masses this year and we look forward to seeing you (and many more people) next year.

### **Alton Castle**

Year 6 have had a fantastic time on their residential trip this week. They managed to take part in a number of activities including a night walk, trekking, archery, climbing and bike riding. It was lovely to go and visit them on Thursday and see them having such a great time, making new friends and to celebrate Mass with them.

### Year 3 Trip to the Safari Park

Year 3 went on a trip to the Safari Park this week to finish of their creative topic in style. The children got to see many animals and experience some first hand. They learned about the food and habitats these animals live in. All children were ambassadors for the school showing amazing behaviour – well done Year 3.

### **EE Trip**

Some children in year 5 went on an Enabling Enterprise trip this week to experience the world of work first hand. The children enjoyed visiting a finance company where they used their skills in the 'Pitch Perfect' Challenge.

### **School Reports**

Reports went out this week and we hope you find the new format more informative. We have listened to the suggestions of parents who asked for the report to be easier to read and clearly shows progress and achievement of children. The reports are comprehensive but if you do have any questions about the reports, appointments can be made through the office to speak to a class teacher.

### **Community Cafe**

Year 2 enjoyed their Enabling Enterprise project 'Community Cafe' designing and making their own cafe products. They raised a total of £101.50 which will be donated to a local food bank. Thank you to all the Year 2 staff for organising this and thank you to all the parents that came to support.

### **Congratulations Guardian Angels Children**

As we come to the end of a very busy year, we would like to say thank you to all our wonderful children by having a reward on Friday 19th July 2019. The school council have decided that they would like the reward to be a fun day where children can bring their own toys or games into school to share and play. For this to be enjoyable and successful, these games or toys should not be too big, electrical or expensive (no mobile phones or computer games). The perfect toy or game is one that can be played with friends.

### This week, we wish a 'Happy Birthday' to:

Gloryanne (Rec) Liam and Julia (Y1) Freya and Thomas (Y2) Tasijah (Y5)

### **Many Happy Returns!**

### **SAFEGUARDING TIP OF THE WEEK**

Can parents please make sure that they inform the School Office of any change to contact telephone numbers.

Thank you.

### **E-SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK**

Talk to your children about what they are doing online. Ensure they are safe and are not giving away personal information



















### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

There pupils have been 'Aiming High' this week. We look forward to congratulating:

ALL CHILDREN OF GUARDIAN ANGELS FOR ANOTHER FANTASTIC YEAR



### ATTENDANCE FOR W/C 1-07-2019 - WELL DONE Reception!

Group	Attendance
Reception	98.6%
Y1	92.3%
Y2	98.3%
3H	92.5%
3G	92.5%
Y4	95.7%
Y5	92%
Y6	98%
Overall total	95%

Healing God, unite us in love because we are all neighbours in Christ. Let us be like you and offer compassion and help to everyone in need. Amen

God Bless and we hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs H Milligan (Head Teacher)

Mr A Spindlow (Deputy Head Teacher)





















# Life to the Living faith within our families

Monthly newsletter for parents: July 2019



# Written in Heaven

"Do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven." Luke 10: 20

These are the words that Jesus spoke to the seventy-two after they returned, rejoicing because their mission had been successful. They were overjoyed that, through Jesus' name, even demons were under their powert But Jesus told them to rejoice not because of what they could do, but because their identity was secured in heaven.

Sharing in the mission of Jesus can be difficult, but everyone is called to do it - not just adults and priests but children too. Some actions might seem insignificant, but God can take what we offer Him and make it extra ordinary. In the w/c 8th July, children learnt about some people throughout history who have taken on Jesus' mission. Their stories are described briefly below, but you might like to explore them further:

Andrew van der Bijl – Brother
 Andrew was given the nickname

'God's Smuggler' because he repeatedly risked his life to smuggle bibles into communist countries during the Cold War. He is known for praying "Lord, make seeing eyes blind," before stopping at the border of a communist country for his car to be inspected.

- Rosa Parks In 1955 in Montgomery, Alabama, Rosa Parks refused to give up her bus seat in the 'coloured section' to a white passenger, after the whitesonly section was filled. She was arrested for civil disobedience and her simple action led to her being called the 'mother of the civil rights movement'. She said, "God has always given me the strength to say what is right."
- Saint Genevieve Born in France around 400 years after the time of Jesus, Genevieve was so determined to 'live her life only for God' that she became a nun at the age of just 15. In 451 when Paris was under threat from Attila the Hun, Genevieve persuaded

the panicking people not to flee but to stay and pray. Attila the Hun didn't attack Paris and people gave thanks for Genevieve's 'prayer marathon'! Years later the city was under slege and Genevieve risked her own safety by smuggling food and supplies into the city. She was named Patron Saint of Paris for her unswerving devotion to the city and to God.

At Ten Ten we hope that these stories of faith and sacrifice will inspire children to know that with Jesus, they too can do incredible things, and whilst they may find reward on earth, their real reward waits for them in heaven.

### **Prayer**

Dear Jesus,
Help us to do good not for the
glory it might bring us,
but because you call us to.
Thank you for helping us
each day to make good and
loving choices.
Thank you that our names
are written in heaven.
Amen

Suggested Activity: Pick an item of food and ask your child to guess where it comes from. (Packaged food usually has a country of origin printed on it!) Pray for that country and the followers of Jesus there.

# **Around the World**

In celebrating these wonderful peacemakers and activists throughout history, we must also remember the people who made it possible for them to hear the Gospel. On 29th June the church celebrated the feast of St Peter and St Paul, who were instrumental in the spread of the church around the

world. In their prayers, children learned about church practices across the world, from meditative worship styles in Asia to singing and dancing in Africa and art and drama in the Americas. What a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the diversity of our faith and God's love for all!

















