



RE Newsletter

Summer 1 -To the Ends of the Earth



As we welcome the Summer term, there is a real sense of new beginnings and warmer days ahead. However, before we rush on, it is important to pause and recognise just how much our children have achieved since the start of the academic year. From their first prayers in September to their growing faith and kindness, they have so much to be proud of.

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts... and be thankful."

— Colossians 3:15

This summer term, let us carry that peace and thankfulness with us – grateful for the journey so far and hopeful for the beautiful weeks ahead.

Thank you for your continued support in nurturing your child's faith.

Mr Cassidy - RE Lead

To the Ends of the Earth

This summer term, our children across EYFS to Year 6 will journey through Branch 5 of our RE curriculum: To the Ends of the Earth. Together, we will explore how the risen Jesus returned to His Father, sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, and called the apostles, and all of us, to share the Good News. Our youngest children will hear simple versions of these stories, learning that the Holy Spirit is our friend and that the parish of St Anne's is a special family. As they move through the school, pupils will sequence events from the Resurrection to Pentecost, study the fruits of the Holy Spirit, discover how the early Church celebrated Mass, and learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation. KS2 children will reflect on the Apostles' Creed, the role of the Pope as successor to Peter, the witness of martyrs like St Stephen, and what it means to live as disciples today. Across all year groups, we will use scripture, prayer, art, and the example of saints to help our children understand that the Holy Spirit still guides us - to the ends of the earth.

Prayer and Liturgy, Faith Ambassadors and Little Liturgy Leaders



Across the school, children have been exploring Catholic Social Teaching through subjects like dignity, stewardship, and the common good. Their thoughtful reflections show how ready they are to live out these values every day.

Year 5 and 6 have also led Gospel Worship with real maturity—sharing Scripture, choosing hymns, and helping us all see how the Gospel shapes our choices.

Our Faith Ambassadors are busy preparing for May.

They will be leading the Rosary outside the front of school each morning at 8.35am – parents are warmly invited to join.

They are also organising our May Procession, themed "Mary Around the World," with creative prayer stations to help us honour Mary in a joyful way.

At Home

This term, our whole school theme is Desert to Garden – a beautiful reminder that with God's love, even dry or difficult times can grow into something full of life and hope. Here are a few simple ways you can continue this journey at home:

- › Create a small prayer space at home
- › Talk about the Holy Spirit as a friend
- › Pray the "Glory Be" together
- › Attend the Rosary at drop off with your child/children.

Catholic Life

We were delighted to see so much enthusiasm for World Earth Day this week. Our CAFOD Club, led by Year 6 pupils, taught children about the environment and how we can show stewardship for God's creation.

Some children even gave up their break time to research and create posters explaining why it is so important to look after our Earth. They made wonderful links to Pope Francis and his teachings in Laudato Si – reminding us that we are all called to care for our common home. Well done to everyone involved, and thank you to the Year 6s for leading so thoughtfully. (We are also planning something special for David Attenborough's birthday, working closely with the voice of our children – more news on that in the next newsletter!)



St John Bosco Class - Class Worship (Parents / Carers Invited) - 22nd April

St George's Day - 23rd April

St Bridget Class Worship (Parents / Carers Invited) - 29th April

St Cecilia Class - Class Worship (Parents / Carers Invited) - 6th May

St Anne Class - Class Worship (Parents / Carers Invited) - 7th May

Holy Day of Obligation - **The Ascension of the Lord** - 17th May

May Procession - Whole School - 19th May

Pentecost Sunday - 24th May

