

Our virtues are: *Attentive & Discerning*

First Holy Communion

Year 3 have been very busy preparing for making their sacrament of First Holy Communion. We are all looking forward to the celebration at English Martyrs this Saturday 2nd July at 11am.



We need your help...



We are improving our reading areas in our classrooms with new shelves and books but would like to make them even more inviting by adding things such as... cushions and beanbags. If you have anything that you think could make our reading areas more inviting, we would appreciate any donations.

Thinking ahead to the next academic year...below is a list of classes and teachers for September.

Nursery- Mrs Smallman and Miss Whitehouse (Early Years practitioners)

Reception- Mrs Kaminski

Year 1- Miss Dennis

Year 2- Mrs Adams

Year 3- Mrs Moore

Year 4- Miss Gulzar

Year 5- Mrs Afzal

Year 6- Miss Da-Costa

Arriving at school - Year one- six

Just a few reminders about the routine for you and your child when you arrive at school. Children should meet on their playground; they will be met by their class teacher at 8.40am. If you arrive after this time, you should still enter school using the gates. The only time the main office should be used is when the gates are closed. If your child arrives late you must come to the school office with them to sign your child in. Thank you for your support.

A prayer for First Holy Communion

O Jesus, You have loved us with such exceedingly great love as to give us the ineffable gift of the Holy Eucharist, inflame us with a burning zeal to promote Your glory by praying for (your child's name) to prepare worthily to approach Your holy table for the first time. Protect, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, this young soul from the assaults of evil, strengthen his/her faith, increase his/her love and endow him/her with all the virtues that will make him/her worthy to receive You.
Amen.



This week's attendance...

Making sure your child is at school every day is important!

Year 2	Reception	Year 5	Year 4	Year 1	Year 3	Year 6
100%	95.4%	92.7%	96.1%	96%	97.9%	94%

Term Time absence

Please be reminded that if you request any absence during term time, you must make an appointment with Mrs Downes before you are given a leave of absence request form. The government guidance is as follows:

You have to get permission from the head teacher if you want to take your child out of school during term time.

You can be fined for taking your child on holiday during term time without the school's permission, please consider carefully before making a request.

Transition to new year groups

Transition has started in school for the children to get to know their new teachers, for the teachers to get to know the children and for them to do some activities in preparation for the new year. The children will spend two days with their new class teacher (Reception class are doing something slightly different). Some of the children have already had their transition days and some are happening soon! Year 1 will have a new teacher in September (Mrs Adams). She will be visiting school to lead transition days with year one.

What a great thing to do!

Max from Year 6 has been growing his hair in preparation for a donation to the little princess trust. Max has donated 17 inches of hair to this amazing charity! He is also raising money for Manchester Children's Hospital and Edwards Trust. If you feel that you are able to donate, please do so using the 'go fund me' link below. Max and his family will be grateful of any donations made.

max's haircut



go fund me

<https://gofund.me/8184ef10>

I'm raising money for

Manchester Childrens Hospital & Edwards Trust

And donating my hair to the Little Princess Trust

thank you!



Events for the year (NEW DATES ADDED)

Please go to our website for calendar updates. Here is a copy of calendar dates for this half term, this will be updated regularly.

For the calendar, go to: <http://www.st-francisxavier.sandwell.sch.uk/Page/Calendar>

Please see below...

Fri 1 Jul 2022	Friday Reception visit to Dudley Zoo
Sat 2 Jul 2022	Friday Y3 First Holy Communion at English Martyrs 11am
Fri 8 Jul 2022	Friday EYF's Sports day More details to follow in newsletter
Mon 11 Jul 2022	Friday Nursery parent meetings (3.30pm onwards)
Tue 12 Jul 2022	Friday Nursery parent meetings (3.30pm onwards)
Tue 12 Jul 2022	12 July 2022 09:00 - 1 June 2022 10:00 Hagley Band 'Noughties Tour' This is for the children only.
Tue 12 Jul 2022	12:00 - 18:00 Year 5 and 6 Parents' Evening This will be to discuss reports.
Thu 14 Jul 2022	18:00 - 19:00 6.00pm: Year 6 Sacrament of Confirmation at English Martyrs Catholic Church Bishop David Evans will be the celebrant
Fri 15 Jul 2022	Friday Reception parent meetings (all day)
Fri 15 Jul 2022	Friday Y2 & 3 trip to Sandwell Valley RSPB
Mon 18 Jul 2022	12:00 - 18:00 Year 1 and 2 Parents' Evening This will be to discuss reports.
Tue 19 Jul 2022	12:00 - 18:00 Year 3 and 4 Parents' Evening This will be to discuss reports.
Wed 20 Jul 2022	Friday 2pm: Year 6 Graduation
Thu 21 Jul 2022	Friday EYF's End of term party day
Thu 21 Jul 2022	Friday Break up for Summer holiday - school closes at normal time The term will end on Thursday 21 July 2022 rather than Friday 22 July 2022 in lieu of Queen's Platinum Jubilee bank holiday - confirmation has been agreed.]
Fri 22 Jul 2022	Friday School closed to all pupils