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## Newsletter – June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are fast approaching the end of our busy summer term albeit somewhat a disrupted one! I would like to thank you all once again for the support you have shown to myself, the staff and each other over the last few weeks. There are some members of our school family who are still affected by Covid directly, and I would ask you to keep those people in your thoughts and prayers. As the impact of Coronavirus continues to be felt in our daily lives and future plans, we are all becoming increasingly frustrated at the restrictions and inconveniences to our normal routine. BUT we must remember how lucky we are, that we have access to a vaccine which gives us hope of a return to normal life, so many didn't have that access and so many still don't have that option. Last Sunday's gospel was so apt and serves as a pertinent reminder to us that when we are fearful, worried or frustrated Jesus is there for us always, we should have faith in him to support us and take charge when we are at our lowest.



*Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.' Mark 4:41*

Let us place our faith in him for support and guidance, patience and courage.

### Congratulations



Congratulations to the following children who made their First Holy Communion at St Bernadette's Parish Church on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June.

*Andrea Amatulli, Laila Bowles, William Dalgleish, Kate Goodill, Raphael Gouw, Leandro Hampsey Bell, Asa Harrison, Leo Heaton Marriott, Felicity Haywood, Isiome Iheriohanma, Holly Borrelli Jackson, Leon Kirby, Caleb Lucas, Christopher Lambert, Luke McCabe, Benjamin Millar, Roisin McMahon, Olivia Nowak, Jan Pawlina, Jude Palmer, Heloise Rebuschat, Sophie Redmond, Luke Sumbland, Freya Shaw, Daniela DeSilva, Antony Verbic Coates, Freddy Verbic Coates, Grace Auty Wilson and Athena Watson.*

May the receiving of the most holy sacrament strengthen their faith and bring them further into to light and love of Christ.





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## Staffing

I can now share with you the arrangements for staffing at our school from September. All children will have a transition visit to their new classes on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Class	Staff
Apple class	Mrs A Bramhall Mrs A Hegarty Mrs Bolton
Oak Class	Mrs Buchan Mrs Pilkington Mrs Stewart Mrs Chadwick
Elm Class	Miss Maymon Mrs Bolton Mrs Lord
Beech Class	Mrs White Mrs Hodson
Eucalyptus class	Mrs Lewis Mrs Wood Mr Karim
Willow Class	Mrs Round Mrs Cleaver Miss Taylor
Sycamore Class	Miss Burke Mrs Bergus

## Reports

This year you will receive your end of year reports on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of July. This year the reports will be different to those you have received in the past, this year they will resemble the end of term reports but with information on your child's effort and attainment across the whole curriculum. The reports will also include comments from your child's class teacher, targets for the year ahead and a comment from either myself or Miss Burke in her capacity as Deputy Headteacher. This year there will not be any reporting of standardised, formal tests including the phonics checks and KS1 & KS2 SATs as these did not take place. As always, if you wish to discuss the contents of the report please contact the class teacher who will make arrangements with you for either a phone call or an email response.





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## Sports Day

This year sports day will be on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of July where we will have separate infant and junior sports events. We will take lots of photos and share these with you on the school website. We know it won't be the same as being there but at least you can share in the joy and excitement of the children.

## Welfare Position

We are still looking to recruit another welfare assistant to join our team. Please contact Mrs Maudsley in the office for more details.

## Covid Testing

Thank you to those of you who have signed up to the PCR testing programme, if you haven't done so I would urge you to reconsider. Thank you to the many of you who are undertaking regular lateral flow tests at home and to those of you who have been extra vigilant in regard to children developing possible covid symptoms and have sought a PCR test to be safe. I would just repeat that we have been told that we cannot accept a negative Lateral Flow Test result for symptomatic children. These tests are only to be used when a person is asymptomatic. When an individual has symptoms they must self-isolate along with their family, seek a PCR test and await a negative result. This means that siblings cannot come into school if their brother or sister has symptoms, neither can children come into school if a parent has developed symptoms. We will always advise on the side of caution with the aim of keeping everyone safe and school open. If you do have any concerns or queries please do get in contact with us in the office where we will do our very best to get you the answers you need.

As always, stay safe and God bless

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