

Dear Parents and Carers,

How time seems to be flying! We have reached the end of Summer Term 1 already. The children have had a very busy half term, and as always, have been working very hard. I would like to say a special well done to Year 6 and Year 2 children. During the past 2 weeks they have been busy sitting their SATS. They have worked exceptionally hard and showed great determination to do their very best. We are very proud of them, they have been a credit to you.

On Friday we break up for half term at 3pm. We return to school on Monday 13th June. As always you can contact school at support@holyfamily.oldham.sch.uk during holidays. Emails will be monitored over the holiday period, so please contact us if you need support and we will do our best to help.

Take care, stay safe and have a very relaxing and enjoyable half term.

Mrs Booth

Trips

Last week, Year 4 and Reception enjoyed a trip to Castleshaw where they explored the great outdoors! A great time was had by all and their fantastic behaviour was noted by staff from other schools, which is always lovely to hear. Today, Year 1 and 2 are off to Dunham Massey, we hope they have a great time!

Year 1- Phonics

The statutory Phonic Screening Test will take place for Year 1 the first week back after half term, week beginning 13th June. It is essential that all children are in school this week.

Important – Birthdays



Due to an increasing number of children having allergies and medical conditions in school we are asking that parents do **not** send in sweets when it is their child's birthday. A birthday cake is available to buy from Dawn our cook, who will ensure that it caters for all our children's needs. We understand that you want your child to have a great day and are currently reviewing what we can do to make it special for them. Suggestions are welcome! Thank you for your support

with this.

<u>Please continue to pray with your children</u> <u>Prayer for Peace</u>



We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that way will be close to them and p

Loving God,

that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world, that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our sisters and brothers in need.

May we walk in your ways, so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

May Procession



On Friday, the children participated in our annual May Procession to give thanks for and to honour Mary the Mother of God. This was a beautiful celebration organised by Mrs. Needle, Miss. Boniface, the Liturgical Dance Group and Pupil Chaplains. Thank you to all involved.

A Fond Farewell



This Friday Mrs. Nicholls will be leaving us. She will be taking on a new role as Pastoral Manager at St Monica's RC High School. We are delighted that she has been successful in obtaining her new role but are very sad to be losing her, she will be greatly missed. Thank you Mrs. Nicholls for all you have done for our children and we wish you the very best for the future. St Monica's are very lucky!

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee



On Thursday and Friday this week, the staff have organised a variety of fun activities to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee which marks 70 years of service by the Queen. We are asking that the children wear something red, white or blue on Friday to mark this special occasion. Please don't worry if you do not have any clothes of this colour anything light or bright will do!

Football Team



Our football team have recently participated in a Catholic Football Competition at St Joseph's. They played exceptionally well drawing 3 games and losing only 1. Their team work, skills and behaviour were excellent! Well done!!!