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Dear Parents,

Thank you to all who attended our Parent Consultations this week. It was lovely to greet and chat to so many parents and I know the staff enjoyed updating you all about the progress being made by all the different children. Parent Consultations are long days for everyone involved but so worth it!

We have reached the end of the penultimate week of term. We remain in school for four days next week and start each day with a sombre reflection about the last days of Jesus' life before His crucifixion. All parents are welcome to join our daily assembly which starts at 9am in the hall. We end on Thursday with Year Six leading Stations of the Cross at 9am before we close at 2pm.

Finally, on Sunday our Year Three children will lead the palm procession at church. Please make every effort to come along and join them.

Golden Book

Reception: Aine Markey for trying her very best in all of her work this week. Aine has produced some amazing work around our Shakespeare story 'Much Ado About Nothing' and has really enjoyed acting in role of the characters in the story. She has worked very hard in Literacy too, remembering to use finger spaces in her sentences and writing her letters correctly. Keep up the great work, Aine!

Year One: Iva Brose for working hard all week in all of her subjects. Iva really enjoyed Year 1's trip to Olton Friary and

asked and answered some great questions. She has been working on her handwriting in her books and she is now able to show the difference size in letters and she is getting ready to join-which is fabulous! Iva is a kind and caring member of the class and a great friend to all. Super work, Iva!

Year Two: All of Year Two have been chosen this week to be in the Golden Book! They have been working so incredibly hard on their class assembly. Their singing has been amazing and they have all given it their best shot. They have had so much to learn over the last couple of weeks and their determination and resilience has shone through! Miss Hookes and Mrs O'Driscoll are so unbelievably proud of all their hard work and determination they have put in! Well done to everyone!

Year Three: Emily Healy for always doing her best in everything that she does. This week she has shown enthusiasm when reading *The Tempest*, produced a fantastic, detailed drawing of *The Island* with no name and remembered everything she has learnt in her Maths review on fractions. What a superstar!

Year Four: Layton Parson for his enthusiasm and love of learning during Shakespeare week, even role-playing the mischievous Puck during the lessons. He has been sharing his love of reading with his classmates, recommending books to his peers and asking for recommendations. Well done, Layton!

Year Five: Harrison Walsh for making fantastic progress this term. Whatever the lesson, Harrison strives to achieve his best putting 100% effort into everything he does. He has shown great perseverance, especially with our topic of fractions, and

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he is becoming more and more confident each day. Keep up the hard work, Harrison.
Year Six: Dani Sangha for her excellent work during Shakespeare week. She wrote a brilliant playscript and used adventurous vocabulary to describe the character of Tybalt. Her work is always presented to the highest possible standard and she listens intently so her work is always full of detail. Keep up the good work, Dani!

Wednesday Word

Please find attached the Easter special of the Wednesday Word, containing the Gospels for the next four Sundays, detailing Palm Sunday, the resurrection, the appearance of Jesus to the disciples, and the road to Emmaus.

Year Five and Six Residential: May 2025

Thanks to all those parents who attended. I will pencil in a further meeting late this year once we have confirmed numbers. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please direct them to either Mrs Bresnen or myself. A reminder that if you are interested in your child attending Paris, please pay the deposit via School Money by **Friday 19th April** (the week we return to school).

Message from the PTA

Easter Hamper Raffle: only a few days to go until the draw! Don't forget to get your tickets (both bought and non-sold) back to school as soon as you can please. We do have extra in the school office for any family members or friends who would like to purchase some too. We are planning on using the money raised from this raffle to purchase some much needed playground equipment.

Easter Bonnet Parade

This was great fun. Thanks to who those who took part. All entrants will be entered into a prize draw, to be drawn next week, and rewarded with chocolate. I was under

strict instructions to announce the winners today so enlisted some help from ex-pupils from St Peter's to help with the task. Direct any complaints to Annie Stephenson and James McMahon, c/o The Easter Bunny ;)

Birthdays this week...

Happy birthday to Noah Y in Year Six who was eleven on Tuesday and happy birthday to Aibhlinn in Year Two who was seven on Wednesday.

Tomorrow, Theo E in Year One turns six! Happy birthday to all!



March dates for your diary

Sun 24th March: Year Three to lead Palm Sunday Procession

Mon 25th March: Year Three Holy Week Assembly (Palm Sunday)

Tues 26th March: Year Four Holy Week Assembly (The Last Supper)

Wed 27th March: Year Five Holy Week assembly (Gethsemane)

Thurs 28th March: Year Six Holy Week Assembly (Stations of the Cross); board game day; break up at 2pm (No After School Club)

April dates for your diary

Mon 15th April: School re-opens for all children

Fri 19th April: Whole School Mass 9:30am; sponsorship walk – parents are welcome to join.

Wed 24th April: Year Three First Holy Communion INSPIRE workshop 9am

Thurs 25th April: Reception at Ash End Farm

Fri 26th April: Year Three @ Compton Verney

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May dates for your diary

Thurs 2nd May: School closed for voting
Sat 4th May: First Holy Communion Masses
@ 10am and 11:30am
Mon 6th May: School closed for May Day
Thurs 9th May: Whole School Mass for
Ascension 9:30
Fri 10th May: May Procession 2pm –
parents invited
Fri 17th May: Year One Assembly 9am
Fri 24th May: Break up at 3:30pm

June dates for your diary

Fri 7th June: Whole School Mass (Sacred
Heart) 9:30am
Sun 9th June: Corpus Christi Procession
after 10am Mass
Wed 12th June: Year Six to Blackwell Court
Fri 14th June: Reception Class Mass 2pm
Sun 16th June: Going Forth Mass and
Communion Breakfast 10am
Thurs 20th June: Year Three and Year Six
parents Sacramental Programme
evaluation 6pm Parish hall
Fri 21st June: Sports Day TBC
Wed 26th June: Keyboard and choir concert
2pm
Thurs 27th June: Family Mass 5pm
Fri 28th June: Reception Assembly
Sat 29th June: Summer Fete 12pm

July dates for your diary

Wed 3rd July: Transition Day
Fri 12th July: Reports given out
Thurs 18th July: Leavers' Assembly 9am
Fri 19th July: Leavers' Mass 9:30am
Fri 19th July: Break up at 2pm

I hope you can join us on Sunday for the
Palm Sunday procession. Hosanna!



Mr Clinton