



# St Kentigern's Catholic Primary School

## May/June Newsletter 2021



Dear Parents,

The month of May is devoted to Our Lady and yesterday we had a liturgy to Mary on the feast of Mary, Mother of God. Unfortunately we were not able to have our usual May Procession, so we had a virtual liturgy instead. Our children reflected on how Mary saying 'yes' to God to be the mother of his son, changed the course of history over 2000 years ago.

When do we give selflessly and say yes to God? Maybe we should spend more time thinking about what God wants and not what we want? It's a good opportunity, with the holidays approaching, for us to think of others and not ourselves. Giving thanks to God for everything that people do for us.

Usually we would gather in the hall and discuss stranger danger before this half term

holiday, as Blackpool becomes a busy town with lots of holiday makers. We will discuss in class, if you could follow up at home.

Have a restful half term and thank you for your amazing children.

Yours sincerely,

*Frances Wygladala*

Some of our Royal Mail Heroes stamp design competition entries



The crowning of Mary on the feast of Mary, Mother of God



### Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacramental programme for Confirmation will start in June and be open to children in **Years 5 and 6**. It is hoped that Bishop Paul Swarbrick, the Bishop of Lancaster will visit the Parish in the Spring to confirm all the candidates in our Parish. Further details will be sent out from the Parish.

### Sacraments of Reconciliation & Eucharist

Pupils in **Year 3** will be invited to attend the Sacramental programme next month, in preparation to receive the Sacraments in Spring 2022. Further details will be sent out from the Parish.



### Swimming in Year 5

On Wednesday, 16th June Year 5 will start their lessons. Palatine pool has been repaired and is ready to welcome us back.

It is vitally important as a coastal town that ever child is able to swim at least 25metres and can keep safe in the water.

We will be going on the minibuses with staff driving and the windows will be open to aid ventilation.

Further details will be sent out this week and children will watch a video about the pool before their first swimming session.

Trunks and swimming costumes are to be worn for swimming lessons, not shorts or bikinis.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Thursday 27th May

- 5-7pm Virtual Consultations for parents - class teachers have communicated with parents to book appointments. Not all parents will need to attend.

### Friday 28th May

- **Fun Friday** - Dress as a hero/ idol for the day for free

£1 max Cake sale for Y6 end of year trip to Beacon Fell and alpaca walk

- Break up for half term at the usual staggered finish times:

3pm Reception

3.05pm Year 1

3.10pm Years 5 & 6

3.15pm Years 2 & 4

3.20pm Year 3

### Monday 14th June

Back to school

8.40am Years 1 & 6

8.45am Reception & Y5

8.50am Years 2 & 4

8.55am Year 3

### Tuesday 15th June

- Pm Healthy Heads in Yrs 3 & 5

### Wednesday 16th June

- Pm Y5 swimming lessons

### Thursday 17th June

- Y3 Virtual Mass with all other local Catholic schools
- 2 or 7pm Virtual **Induction meeting** for parents of new children to start in Reception in September

### Friday 25th June Sports Day

- Pm KS2 further details to follow

### Tuesday 29th June

- 9.30am Mass for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul



### Mass Attendance

There have been changes in regulations this week, due to COVID and Fathers Andrew and Stephen would like to welcome back more altar servers for the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses in church.

Families and children are welcome to attend too, but must remain in their 'family bubbles' when seated in church.

We await further details and changes to restrictions over the next four weeks...

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office for help on 01253 393439.