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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to the following children who received the Head Teacher's award and sticker this week for "Working Hard in PE".

Nursery	-	Harriet L and Holly M
Reception	-	Maximilian B and Millie M
Year 1	-	Emmie R, Benjamin R and Evan H
Year 2	-	Kenneth K and Kai H
Year 3	-	Renee M-A and Thomas D
Year 4	-	Harrison M and Amy H
Year 5	-	Cerys R and Arthur C
Year 6	-	Tasmin B and Joel A

Summer Term

As the weather gets warmer please can I remind you to supply your child with a sun hat and apply sun cream at home. Staff cannot apply sun cream to children but we will gladly help them to apply their own if you supply the cream with their name on should they need to reapply it during the day.

Celebrating Our Lady

As you know, May is the month of Our Lady and in school we are celebrating by praying to Our Lady during our morning, lunch and end of the day prayers. The children are also learning about the colours and symbols associated with Our Lady and how to create an altar dedication to her.

Attendance Reporting

As previously advised, we are now in the process of issuing attendance letters to those parents whose children have below 96% attendance. Please be assured that we understand that children may be absent due to illness and that your decision to keep your child at home is not taken lightly.

Furthermore, should your child be unwell at school we will contact you to discuss whether they need to go home. Within these attendance letters we are also advising parents of the number of times your child has been late for school. This has really improved recently and I thank you for that.

Mossley Whit Walks and Band Contest

On Friday 25th May St Joseph's will be taking part in the Whit Walks. We would be delighted if parents can walk with their children on the day. Further information will follow shortly but please note that on that day school will close at 1pm for the Band Contest.

The Royal Wedding

To celebrate the royal wedding we will be holding an afternoon tea party on Wednesday 16th May. **Parents are invited to join their children at 2.30pm** for a typically English afternoon tea. We are asking parents to donate food for the party and a list of suggestions will be sent out a week before the party. Nursery children will have their tea party at 11am if they only come for the morning and 2.30pm if they stay all day.

Please note that because of SAT's **YEAR 6 ONLY** will be having their afternoon tea party on Thursday 17th May at 2.30pm. Again, parents are welcome.

Nursery and Reception Stay and Play

The next stay and play morning is Thursday 24th May 9am-10am. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to look at your child's learning journey which, together with the evidence on Tapestry, shows you how well your child is progressing towards their Early Learning Goals.

Bank Holiday

Just a reminder that Monday 7th May is a Bank Holiday and school will be closed.

Diary Dates:

Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday.
Monday 14 th May	Year 6 SATs week.
Wednesday 16 th May	Nursery (Morning Children 11am and Afternoon Children 2.30pm), Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 & Year 5 Royal Wedding Afternoon Tea Party 2.30pm
Thursday 17 th May	Year 6 Royal Wedding Tea Party 2.30pm
Thursday 17 th May	Year 2 SATs begin.
Friday 18 th May	2pm Sacramental Programme Service in Church.
Sunday 20 th May	Year 3 Holy Communion (10am) and party in school hall afterwards.
Tuesday 22 nd May	9.05am Meeting for parents with children going into Sept 2018 Reception Class.
Thursday 24 th May	Nursery Stay and Play - 9am until 10am
Friday 25 th May	Mossley Whit Walks and Band Contest - school closes 1pm. (more details to follow)

Mrs Irene Williams
Head Teacher