



I am a Disciple for you Jesus



Holy Souls Catholic Primary School

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Year 3: Luke & Tyler

Year 4: Szymon & Riley

Year 5: sienna & Dhillon

Year 6: Oscar & Natalie

Staff member: Mr Hill, Mrs Stephenson and Mrs Keane
Year 2: Anna & Hargum
Year 1: Mia & Maja

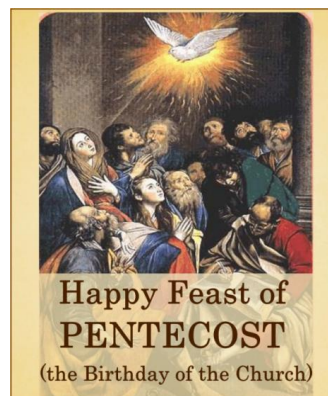
Reception: Ava & Olly

Dear Parents, carers and children,

Can you believe we are already breaking up for half-term. It has flown by and my thanks to the whole community for working hard, making learning fun and enjoyable and to staff for providing many exciting opportunities.

Our Lenten fundraising for Father Hudson's Care is very close to our hearts and this week we were privileged to lead the liturgical music at the annual Good Shepherd Mass. Mrs Stephenson and Mrs Keane had prepared a beautiful range of hymns that the Souls Singers and other members of the school community sung with great gusto and spirituality. Archbishop Bernard and Monsignor Menzies congratulated the children on their wonderful contribution to the Mass. I have received any messages sharing how wonderful you were and how well mannered, behaved and reverend you all were. My thanks to the staff who joined us and to Mr Hill who assisted in playing. This is faith in action and we are so proud of you all.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. This is the birthday of the Church! **We are all Disciples** and may we all **"Go out to the whole world, proclaim the good news, Alleluia, Alleluia!"**



God bless and stay safe this holiday. Mrs Girling



To bring good news, to shine for you.



Sacred Heart and Holy Souls Church - PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN ON THE WEBSITE

MASS TIMES - Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00pm Sunday Masses 8:30am, 10:00am and 12:00pm.

Gifts from God Celebration Assembly

RTA	Tomasz & Roary	3W	Teddy & Jack
RM	Jude & Ariana	4PM	Luke & April
IG	Aisling & Crisbel	4WH	Elise & Orla
IKJ	Martina & Freddie	5F	Jasmine & Olivia
2WM	Paddy & River	5S	Darcie & Georgia
2T	Amber & Muiread	6F	Callum & Jolie
3M	Isla-Rai & Christopher	6M	Maddie & Nikodem

Leaders for Learning don't forget to collect your pencil from Mrs Girling!

HAPPY GOLDEN TIME EVERYONE!

Sports Stars of the Week



Reception - Arlo
 KS1 - DJ
 KS2 - Ariana



RTA	Mylah-Rose	3W	Harley
RM	Samuel	4PM	Jack
IG	Corey	4WH	Ellie-Mai
IKJ	Blake	5F	Enya
2WM	Decent	5S	Alfie
2T	Zuzanna	6F	Lilka
3M	Liliana	6M	Felicity

Thank you for hearing your child read and completing your child's Reading Record every evening.

Attendance Matters



OVERALL ATTENDANCE - 91%

CLASS	%	CLASS	%
RTA	92%	3W	91%
RM	96%	4WH	91%
IG	92%	4PM	89%
IKJ	90%	5F	85%
2T	96%	5S	91%
2WM	92%	6F	91%
3M	92%	6M	84%

This week's winners are RM and 2T ~ enjoy your extra PE time with Coach Dylan!

This week in school.....

- Three Medical Students from Birmingham University enjoyed a day in school.
- We enjoyed visiting the Easter Garden in Church.
- We welcomed visitors from Services for Education who came to quality assure Safeguarding in school. They were very impressed with our school and particularly our group of pupils who met with them to talk about how safe they feel in school.
- We enjoyed our Good Shepherd Mass.
- We enjoyed Mrs Kielstra's assembly.
- Mrs Girling visited Archbishop Ilsley and was delighted to see many old pupils. A special well done to Year 7 - it was great to see you and I enjoyed attending your Awards Assembly.



A huge well-done to 2 of our pupils- Emily and Callan-who recently completed the Cancer research UK Race for Life. A fantastic achievement and we are very proud of you.

Year 3 - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING

Monday 5th June 2023 at 2:15pm in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you.



Spotlight on Safeguarding



Domestic Violence

If you are a parent experiencing domestic violence you may have many concerns over your children, including being:

- Worried that you will be prevented from taking your children with you if you leave a violent relationship
- Worried over contact your children may have with the abuser
- Worried that you need financial or practical support to look after your children
- Worried that your children have been traumatised by domestic violence and want extra support for them.
- Worried that your children may be abducted.

If you are affected by domestic violence, you are not alone. You can talk over these concerns, confidentially, with a number of specialist, sensitive services.

Services such as Birmingham Women's Aid will listen to you, support you and give you time and space to decide what you want to do. They won't judge you

because of what you say or force you to make a decision you do not want to make.

It is important to remember that the abuse you have experienced, and your children have been exposed to, is not your fault.

Listed below are some of the organisations that can support you:

Birmingham & Solihull Women's Aid (BSWA)

BSWA offers a range of services including advice, information, temporary accommodation and a counselling support service to women and children affected by domestic abuse.

The telephone helpline offers a listening ear, emotional support and practical information on BSWA services and other agencies.

If a woman decides that she no longer feels safe to remain in her home, Women's Aid can arrange for her and her children, to move to a refuge. They have refuge accommodation in Birmingham and Solihull which is accessible 24 hours a day. Refuge space can also be found elsewhere in the country if this is what a woman chooses.

Helpline/ Refuge: FREEPHONE 0808 800 0028

Minicom: 0121 685 8519

Birmingham Crisis Centre

Birmingham Crisis Centre is an independent charity offering refuge to 23 women and their children fleeing abusive relationships. Trained Staff are available 24 hours a day and can be contacted through their helpline on **0121 507 0707**.

Families each have access to a fully furnished bedsit with its own kitchen and bathroom. The refuge has communal facilities namely a residents lounge, laundry, children's play area and an 'outstanding' nursery provision. Birmingham Crisis Centre provides professional counselling Support and facilitate a rolling Freedom Programme in addition to providing tailored housing related support, their motto is "Return to Happiness".

Birmingham Women's Advice & Information Centre (BWAIC)

Free counselling, information and support and self help groups for women.

Tel: 0121 212 1881

Ashram Reducing Domestic Violence Project

RDVP is a specialised, but not specific, service for South Asian women living with or fleeing domestic abuse Provides comprehensive support, advocacy, information and advice to empower women to live more independently.

Ashram also runs a counselling service for children and young people.

Tel: 0121 764 3817

WAITS (Women Acting in Today's Society)

Support, advocacy & befriending for all women who have experienced domestic violence at some point in their lives. There is a particular focus on black and minority ethnic women.

Tel: 0121 440 1443

National Domestic Violence Helpline 24 hour freephone

Tel: 0808 2000 247

Support services for male victims of domestic violence:

Victim Support Men's Helpline

Tel: 0800 328 3623

Services available: Helpline for male victims of sexual and domestic abuse. Provides an opportunity to talk in confidence and anonymously.

M.A.L.E: Mens Advice Line & Enquiries

Confidential helpline for male victims of domestic violence whether in straight, gay, bi sexual or transgender relationship.

Tel: 0808 801 0327

If you are worried about a child contact Birmingham Children's Information and Advice Service on 0121 303 1888 or directly to the Police. Outside office hours, call the emergency duty team 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on: 0121 675 4806.

Neglect or abuse of a child is a criminal offence.

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY