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A MESSAGE FROM MRS COX, HEADTEACHER

A great week in school for all of our children with some brilliant learning throughout all of our classrooms please check in on the Seesaw app to see activities from your child's class!

It's been wonderful to see so many people from our community supporting George's Food Hub on our school grounds. Please continue to 'pay as you feel' to contribute towards the cost of electricity bills for the Food Hub fridges and freezers - anything that you can give to support this wonderful initiative is very much

A big thank you to the St Vincent de Paul Society at our parish church, Saint Mary and Saint Augustine, for very generously supporting the school by providing Kitman uniform vouchers to help families in need.

Sylvie and Ronan represented our school at a special Mass at Holy Trinity Church in Newark with Mrs Donington. This Mass was to celebrate our school, and others, recently becoming part of the Our Lady of Lourdes Trust. The Mass with Bishop Patrick was livestreamed, meaning that we could join in from our classrooms! If you would like to see the Mass on YouTube, please click here.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mrs Cox

HAIL MARY

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death

Amen.

INSPIRE+ BRONZE YOUNG AMBASSADORS



On Wednesday night we had 3 students attend a Bronze Young Ambassador meeting at St. Gilberts.

Freddie Richardson, Sylvie Erskine and Rose Hawkins have now been appointed as our new Bronze Ambassadors this year. They will work across the year to promote active lifestyles through leading assembly's and promoting sport across the school. Inspire+ Operations Manager, Chris Graves, commented that our ambassadors "...did a fantastic job!"

- Miss E. Bush

STAFF MEMBER OF THE WEEK - MRS SARAH HIBBERT



As part of the Our Lady of Lourdes Trust, we are delighted to be joined by Mrs Hibbert as Acting Deputy Head on a secondment from St. Norbert's Catholic Voluntary Academy, Spalding. Mrs Hibbert will be with us two days per week to support our staff, pupils and families, sharing her expertise in the leading of RE and the curriculum. She has led on RE in her own setting for 3 years and has a wealth of knowledge to further enhance the Catholic Life of our school as well as assisting those new to their subject roles.

As a former pupil of St. Augustine's, Mrs Hibbert holds our school very close to her heart and is thrilled to be able to work alongside our school community seeing the fantastic work our staff employ everyday in enabling our pupils to thrive and become lifelong learners. I am sure you will join me in welcoming her to our team.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY - FEAST DAY FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER



the Rosary and I will

conquer the world."

- Blessed Pope Pius IX

Many religions use beads to keep track of prayers. Our Rosary, a circle of beads, is like a garland offered to Mary because we pray a prayer on each bead. This well-loved prayer has its roots in the 150 psalms. People who couldn't read began praying 150 Hail Marys instead, the equivalent of three of our modern rosaries covering the original three sets of mysteries.

The story of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is an interesting one. In the 16th century Pope Pius V was having trouble with the Ottoman Turks, who were a real danger to Christianity. After months of disagreements and bickering, he was able to unite Spain, Venice, and the States of the Church in a naval expedition to fight the Turks.

The two navies met in the Gulf of Lepanto in Greece on October 7, 1571. On the same day, the Rosary Confraternity of Rome was meeting at the Dominican headquarters there. The group recited the Rosary for the special intention of the Christians at battle. The Christians defeated the Turks in a spectacular victory and believed it was the intercessory power of the Blessed Virgin that won the victory. Pope Pius V dedicated the day as one of thanksgiving to Our Lady of Victory. Pope Gregory XIII later changed the name to the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The story of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary focuses on the intercessory power of Mary. It shows that when Christians are in danger, they can go to Mary. And when an individual is in pain, discouraged, or having trouble accepting God's will, he or she can also go to Mary. She will pray to her Son for anyone who calls on her. Anyone who prays to Mary no longer feels alone because she prays with them and for them. Mary encouraged praying the Rosary in her apparitions. At Lourdes when she appeared to Saint Bernadette, Mary had a Rosary. As Bernadette prayed it, Mary joined in on the Glory Be prayers. At Fatima Mary exhorted the three children who saw her to pray the Rosary for peace.

LITTLE STARS

Little Stars bookings must now be made via ParentPay and paid at the point of booking. All bookings must be paid for within 2 hours or the system will automatically cancel them. Only children who have been booked and paid for will be accepted into the club.

Any bookings that you wish to cancel must be cancelled 48hrs before the booked session to avoid charges.

PLEASE NOTE THAT AS OF 3RD OCT, LITTLE STARS WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 8AM.

Click <u>here</u> for more information on Little Stars. Bookings close 48 hours before the required session. You can book as many sessions in advance as you require.

Please see the attached document with instructions on how to book and cancel sessions. The iPad in the school foyer can also be used by parents to access ParentPay if required and our office staff will be happy to assist if needed.

Happy Birthday to Lily-Marie in Y6 who celebrated her 11th birthday on 1st October, Benjamin H from Y2 who will be 7 on 11th October, and Conor from Y5 who turns 10 on 12th October. We wish you all a very Happy Birthday!



ST AUGUSTINE'S NETBALL TEAM

This week we played a netball match against Malcom Sargent's A Team. The whole team showed determination and resilience through the game. Our defence was impeccable. Shooters were outstanding and the sportsmanship shown on the court was incredible. Sadly this week we took a loss of 6-2; however at no point did the team show any disappointment. We are all so excited for our next match against Malcom Sargent's B Team. I hope that everyone who played is immensely proud of themselves - well done to everyone and congratulations to Freddie Richardson who won player of the match!

- Miss E. Bush

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Don't be afraid to fail, be afraid not to try



CHAPLAINCY TEAM

On Tuesday, Sylvie from Year 5 and Ronan from Year 4 travelled to Holy Trinity Church in Newark with Mrs Donington to represent our school at a special Mass to celebrate us joining the Our Lady of Lourdes Trust. They were lucky enough to meet Bishop Patrick and receive gifts from the Trust of a statue and framed Trust prayer.

Sylvie: "I think it was great to represent the school. We are privileged to be in such an amazing Trust."

Ronan: "It was a fabulous experience to meet and stand with the Bishop."



CEDAR CLASS - EYFS - A great week of learning for our EYFS class this week! Brilliant work, Cedar class!









SYCAMORE CLASS - Y1/2 - Lots of brilliant spelling and reading together in Sycamore class this week!









ACACIA CLASS - Y3/4 - Enthusiastic learning in Acacia class this week - great work, everyone!









WILLOW CLASS - Y4/5 - Well done, Willow class - amazing innovative learning this week!









JUNIPER CLASS - YEAR 6 - Fabulous reading, writing and spellings in Juniper class this week!







