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*Value of the Week:
Faithfulness*

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*'Let love and faithfulness never leave you....'
Proverbs 3*

Congratulations!

Elijah

Elijah's team have won the league title in the Belle Vale junior football league.



Well done to Jack in 4PS for winning his football tournament along with his team.

Great job!



Congratulations to Sofia (6AC) who will be performing with the Liverpool Signing Choir in the opening ceremony of the Eurovision Song Contest. Look out for her on TV on Sunday at 6.30pm.

Award Winners to resume next week.

Golden Ticket Initiative

Golden Ticket winners to resume next week.

Times Table Leaderboard

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Highest number of minutes on TTRS	Karthik	William M	Diya	Lily
Class with the best engagement	3ST	4PS	5AH	6LT
Most Improved	Stephen L	Sienna	Emily-Grace	Georgia M

Gallery

The children had fun today celebrating the King's Coronation



This week a group of our pupils (together with pupils from the Infant school, Malvern and Roby Park) attended Jelli Studios where they worked with Jennifer Ellison on a dance which will be performed as part of the Community Spirit Festival in June-a Community Event to celebrate the 10th Birthday of Olivia Pratt Korbel.





Great team work from two of our students from 5JP last week in their out of school football team- well done Kenzo and Luis!

ALTRU

This week, our Year 5 children had their last session with Kate Gorst from Altru Drama. The purpose of the session was to evaluate the project that they have been undertaking since November. The session has been very successful in getting the children to think about consequences for actions. The children's evaluations were very thoughtful and included comments such as.....

"Each week we focused on something different and it was lovely to be able to tell others our opinions and not be judged." Charley 5MW

"The Altru sessions have been really fun and we could all be ourselves in every session and express our emotions. We will miss Kate." Isla, Amy and Nyah 5MW

"I feel like Altru has made us more comfortable in school to talk about the loss of Olivia." Oscar 5KN

"Kate has helped us to understand the impact of our choices, not only in school but out in the community." Thomas 5AH





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to the following children who are celebrating their birthday this week! We hope you enjoy your special day!



Year 3:

Noah - 3ME

Year 4:

Lucy - 4CD

Colbie- 4SC

Year 5:

Jake B - 5KN

Freya - 5KN

Finley - 5MW

George - 5JP

Year 6:

Penny - 6SA

Dylan - 6JK

Church News

Children's Church at Sunday 10am Mass.

Tea & coffee served after Sunday 10am Mass in the Parish centre - all welcome!



Dovecot Food Club next to Sayers: Mondays 10am to 1pm. Families can receive £15 worth of food for £5. Food can be dropped off during these times. Please note the following items are desperately needed: **Tea bags, coffee, tinned beans, pasta, tinned tomatoes, tuna, spaghetti, biscuits, crisps. Nappies 4/5, toothpaste, soap, shower gel, shampoo, toilet rolls.** Donations are welcomed in church before or after Saturday and Sunday Masses or can be left in the school entrance.9



A group of volunteers from our school and parish community go into the city centre on a Tuesday evening to take food, hot drinks and helpful items to the Homeless men and women of our city. Any offerings will be gratefully received. Please leave the school office for Miss Finnegan.

Mental Fitness Programme

5 Ways to Well-Being

Come and join us and have a cuppa with other parents and learn some techniques to help support your own and your child's well-being and mental fitness.

You don't have to wait until there's a problem before learning how to maintain your well-being and positive mental health.

There are many ways in which we can sustain positive mental well-being.

Each of the five sessions will be based around the 5 ways to

well-being framework and positive mental health.

Programme developed and delivered by

Jackie Harris & Carmel Perry - Learning Mentors

Venue: St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School

Session 1	Friday 21 st April 2023	Connect	9.15—11.15 am
Session 2	Friday 28 th April 2023	Give	9.15—11.15 am
Session 3	Friday 5 th May 2023	Keep learning	9.15—11.15 am

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Book Fair. Every book purchased helps to fill our school library and classrooms with free books! The Book Fair will remain open until next Wednesday (10th May)



Session 4	Friday 12th May 2023	Take notice	9.15—11.1 5am
Session 5	Friday 19th May 2023	Be active	1.30 – 3pm

On Friday 19th May (5th session) your child/children will accompany you in taking part in this session.

If you wish to reserve a place for the Mental Fitness Programme you can

contact either your child's class teacher or Mrs Perry

SPORT NEWS

SWIMMING

Our Year 4 pupils are currently benefiting from Swimming Lessons. Swimming will resume on Tuesday 9th May and run until Thursday 11th May for Year 4. Well done to all who have swam this week, the children have been excellent and very keen!



NETBALL

Well done to the Year 4 and Year 5 children who represented school at a netball match at St Aloysius this week. The group grew into the game and performed well.

FREE LFC WOMEN TICKETS

Please follow the link or QR code below for free tickets to LFC Women Vs Manchester City Women or LFC Women Vs Manchester United Women. 4 tickets are available per match, per transaction.

<https://tickets.tygit.com/shop/groups/pk/4e23d5d2bc3732eb6c08fadf11ba7be0>



MATILDA

Have you bought your tickets for our school production 'Matilda' presented by Years 3-5? The performances will take place on the following dates:-

24th May-1.15pm

25th May-1.15pm and 6pm

PINK DAY CELEBRATION

13th June will mark the 10th birthday of Olivia Pratt Korbel and we plan to celebrate the occasion by giving the children a fun day of art, poetry, sport, assault courses, picnic lunch and lots more! We plan on this day to open our brand new Performance Area which has been designed by 5MW in collaboration with Olivia's mum. At 5.30pm, there will be a community event 'Community Spirit Festival' which will be held in Court Hey Park. All families will be invited to take part in this event but all children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

END OF KEYSTAGE 2 TESTS

Next week our year 6 children will sit the End of Keystage 2 Statutory Assessments. The children have worked so hard for these tests and should take the opportunity to celebrate everything that they have learnt over the last four years. It would benefit the children to be well rested and to arrive early in school in order to be fully prepared. We would like them to come into class from 8:30 and they will be able to have some toast with their friends before starting the tests.

Breakfast and After School Club

From September 2023 we are making some changes to the way that you access our Breakfast and After School club. At the start of our new academic year, parents wishing to access either service will need to book and pay for their place a week in advance, you will not be able to simply arrive on the day. We appreciate this may cause some challenges for families however it will ensure that school does not exceed the required adult/pupils ratios for every session.

SCHOOL CLOSURE

School will be closed for the Bank Holiday this coming Monday (8th May).

The school will reopen as normal on Tuesday 9th May

Extra-Curricular Timetable

We have a wide range of extra-curricular activities for our children to participate in during the Summer Term. Please see the timetable below:-

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
YEAR 3	Before School		Daily Mile			Daily Mile
	Lunchtime		Zumba		Rebound Dance	
	After School		Football			Rebound Dance
YEAR 4	Before School					
	Lunchtime					
	After School	Boy's football	Zumba			
YEAR 5	Before School					
	Lunchtime			Table Tennis		
	After School		Zumba		Girl's football Handwriting Club	
YEAR 6	Before School	Intra School Football Comp	Table Tennis	Bleep Test	Table Tennis	
	Lunchtime					
	After School			Boy's football		

Social Media

Why not give us a follow on Instagram or Twitter? @smmjjnr

Summer Term Dates for Diary

MAY

8th May-School closed for the King's Coronation

9th-12th May-End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments

12th May- Eurovision Celebration

Week Beginning 15th May-Arts Week (Cultural Diversity/Eurovision)

15th May-26th May-Year 3 Swimming

16th May-PTA Disco

18th May

Week Beginning 22nd May- School Production Week (Matilda)

23rd May Parent Forum (9.30am)-re-scheduled from 27th April

23rd May-Year 2 to watch Matilda

24th May- Matilda Performance 1.15pm

25th May-Matilda Performance 1.15pm and 6pm

26th May-Coffee Morning

26th May-Break Up for the Half Term Holiday

JUNE

12th June-Return to School for the second half of the Summer Term

13th June-Pink Day- a celebration day in memory of Olivia Pratt Korbel's birthday

5.30pm-Community Celebration Event at Court Hey Park

17th June-Holy Communion Masses (10am and 12noon)

Week Beginning 20th June-Assessment Week (Years 3-5)

22nd June -Year 6 Sports Day

Parent Forum (6pm)

23rd June-Children's University Celebration

24th June-Holy Communion Masses (10am and 12noon)

Week Beginning 26th June-National Sports Week

Year 2 Pupils to visit the junior school

27th June-Year 5 Sports Day

28th June-Year 4 Sports Day

29th June-Year 3 Sports Day

29th and 30th June-Years 5 and 6 to Gullivers' World

JULY

Week Beginning 3rd July-Transition Week-Year 2 pupils to come across to the junior school

3rd July- Road Safety Team to Work with Year 6

Adam Ellison Foundation to work with Year 6

3rd July-Meet the Teacher-Year 3

4th July-Lily Jo Project to work with Year 6

Meet the Teacher-Year 4

5th July-Altru Drama to work with Year 6 (Eyes Wide Open)

Mock Court Trial-Year 6

Meet the Teacher-Year 5

Meeting of the Governing Body

6th July-Cells Project to work with Year 6

Meet the Teacher Year 6

7th July-Cells Project to work with Year 6

11th July Reserve Day for Year 3 Sports Day (if it doesn't take place today, it will take place in the children's PE lesson)

12th July Reserve Day for Year 4 Sports Day (if it doesn't take place today, it will take place in the children's PE lesson)

Year 2 to come across for school lunch

Year 6 Production (time TBC)

13th July Reserve Day for Year 5 Sports Day (if it doesn't take place today, it will take place in the children's PE lesson)

Year 6 Production (time TBC)

14th July-Reserve Day for Year 6 Sports Day (if it doesn't take place today, it will take place in the children's PE

lesson)

Summer Fair-pm

17th July-Awards Morning Years 3-5

Year 6 Leavers' Party

18th July Year 6 Leavers' Mass

Year 6 Awards Ceremony

20th July-End of Term Mass