



Coming Up

Newsletter Issue 24 - W/c 9th May 2022

Monday 16th May	Y2 SATS week	Tennis Club 3.15-4.30pm
Tuesday 17th May	Cancelled —Y2-4 Dancing Club 3.15-4.15pm	Y5&6 Netball 3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday 18th May	Piano lessons	Y1-3 Sewing Club 3.15-4.15pm
	Y4/5/6 Coding club 3.15-4.15pm	Football Club 3.15-4.15pm
Thursday 19th May	Guitar lessons	Y5 Forest School
Wednesday 25th May	Music Evening 6pm	
Friday 27th May	2pm Jubilee Afternoon Tea	3.15pm School closes for half term

Notices

• Lunch ordering

If you forget to complete the lunch ordering form, children can still pick a school lunch each morning.

• Tesco Blue Tokens

Don't forget to ask for a blue token in Tesco and pop it in the English Martyrs box!

• Playgroup

New English Martyrs playgroup starting 10th June at St Joseph's. 9.30-11am

• Music Evening 25th May

Don't forget to let Mrs Chambers know if your child wishes to perform at the Music Evening.



Statement of the week

'I am just and fair'

Please take time to discuss this statement at home with your child/ren.

Month of Mary

We celebrated the Month of Mary today with a procession around the school with the children carrying the beautiful flowers that they brought in. Younger children also wore crowns that they had made. The children then laid the flowers around our statue of Mary.





Head Teacher Awards



Congratulations to all the children who received Head Teacher, Virtues, Reading, Writing and Sports awards this week.



Birthdays



Happy Birthday to **Sam in Y4** who celebrated his birthday today!

Swimming Gala

Well done to the Y4/5 children who competed in the Rutland Schools Swimming Gala on Friday. In this team event we came 8th out of 16 which for a small school is a great achievement. We are also still top of the Rutland Small Schools table!

Netball

Well done again to our netball team who won their two matches at Oakham C of E! We are confident that they will have made the finals!



Maths Challenge

Well done to the 20 children from Years 5 and 6 who took part in the UKMT April Junior Maths Challenge. We have once again had some superb results with 4 children: Hannah, Niamh, Tom and Oliver achieving a gold award. Hannah was in the top 5% of children who took the challenge. We then had 7 Silver awards: Alfie, Gabe, Esme M, Ola, Ben, Oscar and Esther. All of the children did incredibly well and should be very proud of their achievements. The gold award winners will complete a follow up challenge in June.



Also, well done to Florence, Tycho and Josiah who took part in the European Kangaroo Maths Challenge in April – this is a challenge attempted by children in Year 6 and Year 9 and is selective for participation. All three children did incredibly well on what was a very challenging paper. **Florence scored 130/140 making her the highest scoring pupil in the country** whilst Tycho and Josiah scored 101 and 100 respectively meaning they were both within the top 20 year 6 participants. All round the results are superb, well done to all of the children.

Gardening Day

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Gardening day on Saturday. It was a great turn out and luckily the weather was kind! It was lovely to see some past pupils helping too! We achieved a lot and the school grounds are looking fantastic. We still have some things to finish off but great progress was made! Thank you also to FEM for providing refreshments and to Mrs Keany, Mrs Mulholland and Harvey for keeping the workers fed and watered!



FEM News

Cake Raffle - The Thomas girls won this week!



A big welcome to Alova, who started in Year 4 this week!

Hockey

Well done to the Y6 hockey team who played on Tuesday. After a slow start of two goal less draws they found their scoring form to win their next three matches. Ending up 4th out of 15 teams is a great achievement, well done all.



Mental Health Week

For Mental Health Week, the Mental Health Support Team held an assembly for some of the children about loneliness. The Little Lights also made some cards for parishioners in case they are feeling lonely.



Weekly Prayer

A Hail Mary for the month of Mary.

Hail Mary, full of Grace,

The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among 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

St Joseph's Church

Keep up to date with the Parish news [here](#) .

