



School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy time at school! Since my last newsletter Y4 have been on a residential to Ashdown Forest for three days and we have had a very busy weekend with the Catholic Schools Netball and Football tournament.

Sapphire and Blue Classes had an amazing time at Hindleap Warren. The weather was kind, apart from the last morning, and the children got thoroughly muddy and challenged themselves in lots of ways. Well done all of Y4; it was a pleasure to spend a few days with you – we watched as the children grew and matured in their independence and self-management skills before our eyes. Thanks to our parents for their support and to the staff team of Miss Holloway, Mrs Garcia, Mrs Cormican and Coach Kiera for their hard work.

Sports News

The annual netball and football tournament took place last Saturday. It was a great event, despite the uncertain weather.

We had three football teams playing and two netball teams. Overall ten schools were represented and there were over 300 children playing sport – I always think this is a marvelous achievement for our little school to run the biggest tournament of the year!

Our football teams did very well, with our B team just missing out on the knockout stages by a single goal in goal difference. Our A team went on to win the tournament overall (see report below) and our C team also did very creditably.

Our netball teams played brilliantly; it is tremendous to see how far they've come and our A team were runners up with our B team also playing some excellent netball. We are so proud of them.

Most importantly they all had a great deal of fun. This event was organized by Miss Robertson and Coach Keira and I'd like to thank them for their hard work. Also to Mrs. Jones as football manager, to Mrs. Piper and Mrs. McCabe for their netball coaching and to all our staff who gave up their Saturday to help run the event.

And a special thanks to all you incredible parents who supplied the catering for the masses. All the food was sold out and I know the PTA made over £720 profit, but the hospitality shown is also what makes our school special. Thank you all so much.

'On Saturday we played in the Catholic School 5 a side football tournament. We played extremely well and didn't concede a goal in the whole tournament. We won our first game 5-0, 4-0, 5-0, 6-0, 4-0. Then we got through to the group stage at the top of our league with a +24 goal difference.'

We played the quarter final against Laleham Lea and won 2-0. In the semi-final we beat Thomas Becket 3-0 and in the finals against Regina Coeli we won 2-0.'

Ed's note – Our football A team have won the Croydon Schools' 5-a-side tournament, the Croydon Cup, the Small Schools Cup and the Catholic Schools 5 a side. 4 trophies in a year! Amazing! There was an article in last week's Advertiser which I have attached.

Benediction & Marian Liturgy – Thursday 23rd May

Indigo Class will be leading our Liturgy to Mary next week, preceded by Benediction. Canon John will be celebrating. This will commence at 9.15am. The liturgy will be followed by the crowning of Mary's statue in the Salmon Garden and the maypole dancing by Green Class. All are welcome

Flowers needed – Each class will be offering a flower basket at Thursday's liturgy. We always ask for some cut flowers to make these baskets on Wednesday. These do not need to be shop bought – a few cut from the garden would be great. (I have reminded the children not to deforest your garden without your permission!) If these could come in on Wednesday, we would be very grateful.

Maypole dancing – As above we will have Green Class maypole dancing after the Marian Liturgy in the morning and again at 2.30pm for parents who can't stay in the morning. The alley gate will be open at 2.30pm.

Open Mornings – John Fisher School

Wednesday 12th June 09.00-10.30

Thursday 20th June 09.00-10.30

Thursday 12th September 4-8pm

Green Fingered Kids – Woodcote Nurseries have relaunched their Green Fingered Kids Scheme – for every £10 you spend you receive a voucher. We've already had some in – ask your friends and family too. They help us to buy equipment and plants for our gardens.

Week ending 10 May	Stars of the week	Star Writer
Red Class	Akai &	Jamie
Orange Class	Sebastian & Matilda	Stephanie
Yellow Class	Maria & Sophia S	Sophia W
Green Class	Mia & Sofia	Harry B
Blue Class	James & Dillon	Inca
Sapphire Class	Freddie & Isabelle	Dillon
Indigo Class	Jasmine & Sean	
Violet Class	Jasmine & Evans	Eleanor

Week ending 17 May	Stars of the week	Star Writer
Red Class	William & Maja	Ella
Orange Class	Jacob & Stephanie	Sara
Yellow Class	Arthur & Marissa	Sorcha
Green Class	Kanya & Valentina	Tymek
Blue Class	Catherine & Lianne	Aoife
Sapphire Class	Louis & Aaron	Oscar
Indigo Class	Sammy & Leo	Ava
Violet Class	The whole class	Daniel B

100% attendance award goes to Red Class.

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