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Dear Parents,

Year 4 enjoyed an educational visit to Chertsey Museum on Thursday. There is so much learning to be done outside of the walls of the classroom and it was lovely to see the children going out excited in the morning and coming back happy in the afternoon after a super day of learning. Thank you to Mr Giannotta for organising this school trip so early in the school year, and to the other staff and parents who accompanied the children.

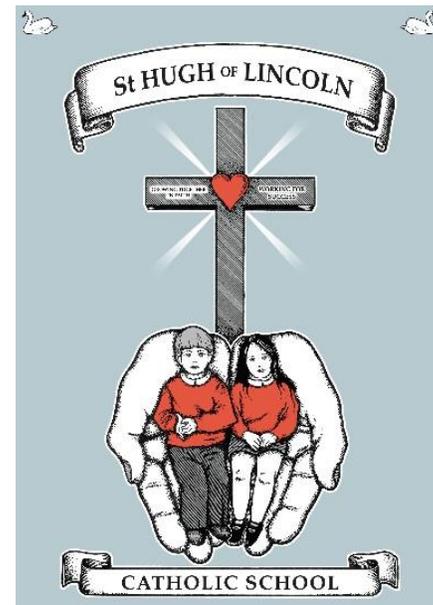
Thank you to Fr Abilio, who has celebrated Mass in school on each of the past two Wednesdays. This week it was wonderful to see such a good number of children and parents – we know how special it is to have Mass celebrated in school and it was great to be able to show how much we value this. Fr Gerard, our new Parish Priest, will be arriving on Tuesday. There will not be Mass in school next week, but I will be able to announce arrangements from the week after shortly.

I know that parents are eagerly awaiting news of our planned new build so that we can provide breakfast and after-school care. I can advise that after a delay planning permission was granted during the Summer holidays and that a contract has been awarded for construction. A group of governors met with our surveyor this week to discuss details. Although the new building will be a modular building we know that the construction will involve about six weeks' of work on the school site, digging foundations, connecting drains and joining to the existing library building etc. We are anxious to have the building as soon as we can, but at the same time have to be mindful of minimising disruption to classes during construction, particularly bearing in mind that the new building will be immediately adjacent to classrooms. We will be meeting with the contractors shortly and will then be able to provide a clear timeline for construction and planned first use.

Enjoy the weekend.

God bless,

Mr George



School Values

God our Father, help us all to ...

Live like Jesus,
One family, learning together,
Valuing everyone,
Each and every day.

At St Hugh of Lincoln School we are fully committed to safeguarding. Mr George and Mrs Rose are the school's Designated Safeguarding Leads: any concerns regarding safeguarding should be raised with either of them.

The school photographer will be in on Thursday morning to take individual / sibling group photographs. Please ensure that children come into school looking extra-specially smart. Families including pre-school-age children who would like a sibling group should be at school for 8.30am – these pictures will be taken first.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to come to our Meet the Teacher meetings on Monday. I hope that they were informative. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 used PowerPoint presentations in the course of the meetings – these are all now on the school website.

Rainbows

Rainbows is a structured programme we provide in school designed to support children who have experienced loss through bereavement or separation, or any other form of emotional trauma. The programme operates as a series of sessions, once a week during school time, over a number of weeks, with each group including about 3-5 children.

Each group is facilitated by two of our specially trained teaching assistants. We have run the Rainbows programme for a number of years, and it has really helped a lot of children. Please do speak with Mrs Rose if you would like further information or if you think that your child could benefit from being included.

Forthcoming dates:

21 September – Commissioning Service (9.00am)

27 September – Individual / family photographs

27 September – Reception Class phonics evening (6.00pm)

3 October – Open morning for Sept 2019 admission (9.15am)

5 October – School closed to pupils (INSET day)

8 October – Happy School Bag collection

8 October – Whole school harvest liturgy (9.00am)

11 October – Year 5 class assembly (9.00am)

12 October – District Year 5 / 6 football tournaments

On Monday we will celebrate our first 'extra-curricular' Golden Assembly of the year. Children (from Reception to Year 6) are invited to bring in medals, certificates, trophies etc that they have been awarded since the end of last term. We look forward to celebrating, and to learning about lots of talents we may not already know about.

Religious Education

RE taught at St Hugh of Lincoln is based on the 'Come and See' scheme. All classes study three topics per term, with the addition of one week in the Autumn term focussed on Judaism, and one week in the Summer term focussed on another major world religion. The topics currently being studied are:

Early Years	MYSELF - God knows and loves each one
Year 1	FAMILIES - God's love and care for every family
Year 2	BEGINNINGS - God is present in every beginning
Year 3	HOMES - God's vision for every family
Year 4	PEOPLE - The family of God in Scripture
Year 5	OURSELVES - Created in the image and likeness of God
Year 6	LOVING - God who never stops loving

Car Park

A reminder that the car park is for the use of staff and visitors only. This includes collection time from after-school activities – please park away from the school (and not in Five Oaks Close) as you would do when collecting at 3.15pm. Thank you.