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Dear Parents,

Well done to all of the children who brought in medals, certificates, trophies etc from out-of-school activities to share with us in assembly on Monday. It is great when we have the opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our children, and get the chance to learn a little more about them and their lives away from school. What a lot of talented children we have in our school.

A very warm welcome to Fr Gerard Hatton who has now arrived in our parish. We will have the opportunity to welcome Fr Gerard properly next **Thursday** morning when he will celebrate Mass in the hall at 8.30am. It would be lovely to see a good number of parents and children to welcome Fr Gerard and to show him how much we value the privilege of Mass being celebrated in school each week.

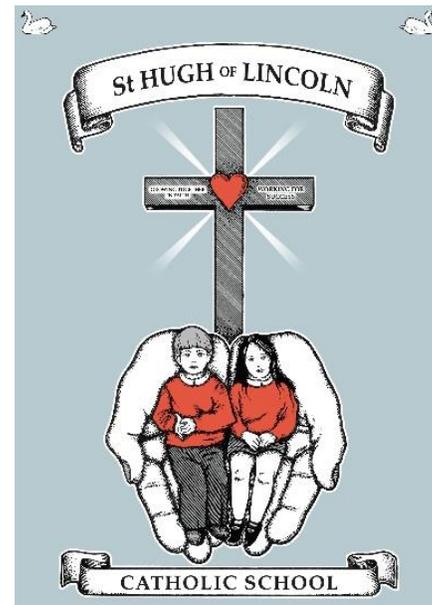
Thank you to Mrs Barker and Miss Bye for leading an information evening for Reception parents on Thursday evening on the subject of phonics and early reading. Thank you to all the parents who were able to come – another sign of the partnership between school and home that is so crucial in effective learning.

Fr Gerard has made the following arrangements for the signing of supplementary information forms **for parents applying for a Year 7 place for a child for September 2019**. Fr Gerard will be at school from 8.30-9.30am on Monday 8 October and Tuesday 9 October, and will also be available in the presbytery from 7.00-8.00pm on Thursday 11 October. Please can parents with a form to be signed arrange to see Fr Gerard on one of these three dates.

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.

St Hugh of Lincoln ... pray for us



Forthcoming dates:

- 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)**
- 8&9 October – Fr Gerard signing Year 7 SIFs in school (8.30-9.30am)**
- 11 October – Year 5 class assembly (9.00am)**
- 11 October – Fr Gerard signing Year 7 SIFs in presbytery (7.00-8.00pm)**
- 12 October – District Year 5 / 6 football tournaments**
- 15&17 October – Parent consultation meetings**
- 22-26 October – Half term holiday**
- 1 November – Whole school Mass (All Saints Day) (9.00am)**
- 2 November – Friends disco**
- 7 November – NSPCC Danceathon**
- 9 November – Year 4 class assembly (9.00am)**
- 13 November – Open afternoon for September 2019 admission (1.45pm)**
- 16 November – Whole school Mass (St Hugh of Lincoln feast day) (9.00am)**

Next Friday will be an INSET day, with the school closed to pupils. All our teachers will be at St John the Baptist School, working alongside the teachers from all the other schools in the Xavier Catholic Education Trust, learning together and sharing practice that will further improve the quality of what we are doing in each of our schools. At the same time all of our teaching assistants will be at The Marist, working alongside teaching assistants from all of the other XCET schools, taking part in shared training and sharing of practice.

Please make sure that all items of clothing are clearly name-labelled. Thank you.

Next Friday, 5 October is CAFOD's autumn family fast day. As school will be closed that day for an INSET day, we will mark the day on the following Monday, 8 October. On that day, at 9.00am, I will be leading a special assembly reflecting on the work of CAFOD, and thanking God for the gifts of the harvest. Parents are very welcome to attend.

There are different ways in which families can support the work of CAFOD and can contribute to our celebration on 8 October. Some families may choose to make a donation to CAFOD. Another way would be for children to bring in different gifts for our assembly. We would welcome gifts brought in as follows:

Year R Plants / flowers; Year 1 Fresh vegetables/salad; Year 2 Fresh fruit; Year 3 Tins; Year 4 Packets of dried produce; Years 5 & 6 Cakes and bread products.

All pre-packed/tinned items should come in on Thursday 4th or Monday 8th October.

Any non-perishable items will be made up into packs for distribution to needy families in our parish. Perishable contributions will be sold on the playground on Monday 8 October from 3.00pm onwards, weather permitting, with all proceeds going to CAFOD.

We do appreciate that some of these items can prove more expensive than others, so it could be an idea for two/three children to club together to bring produce (e.g. a bunch of flowers). The above list of gifts is only a suggestion – any gifts would be most gratefully received and would benefit a local family or the work of CAFOD.