



## Newsletter 1 October 2021

Dear parents and carers,

We've had a busy time at school this week with the commissioning service on Monday and year 5 class Mass on Thursday. I was taken aback by how emotional I felt seeing parents sitting at the back of the hall on Monday. It's hard to believe that we haven't been able to come together like that for the last year and a half and I know the children really rose to the occasion and it felt special for them. There will be opportunities for all of you to come and join us in assembly or Mass over the coming weeks and we're planning to be able to invite you to join us for the usual Christmas celebrations (Covid rules permitting!)

Here's a quick insight into what's been going on in reception class and year 4 this week, as well as some photographs of the children who were commissioned on Monday.

### **This week in reception class:**

Reception have been reading *The Elves and the Shoemaker*. We have practised telling the story with story spoons. The children decided that they wanted to make clothes for the elves and they have been very busy doing that! We drew and painted pictures of a dream pair of shoes too. We were so excited to find that one of the elves has moved into our Hideaway House and we have been writing and posting letters to make him feel welcome... We can't wait to get a reply!







#### This week in year 4:

We are really enjoying our new Latin lessons. So far we have learnt to say hello and goodbye. This week we found our Latin names, we can now say "I am" and "Who are you?" and we know the different roles in a family.

In RE this week we have been discussing and showing our understanding of how important Ruth was in the bible and how she was living God's way. We did freeze-frames so that we could have a deeper understand of the scripture and the characters' feelings, emotions and body language.





## Commissioning service

We're very proud of the children who were commissioned into their roles of responsibility on Monday. I'm sure they will do a fantastic job. Here are their commemorative photographs:

### Our RE Followers



### Our School Council



Our Eco Council



Our Buddies





## Our librarians



## Our prefects



## Our wellbeing champions



### Invitation for current reception class parents – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2pm

I'm acutely aware that some parents in our new reception class haven't yet had a chance to come and look around the school and so I'd like to invite all parents of our current reception class to an open afternoon on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm. The afternoon will start in the reception classroom with your children so that you can see how we work and what the children get to do after you drop them off in the morning! After that, I can take you for a tour around the rest of the school with tea and coffee in the hall afterwards. The session will end at 3.15pm when you can collect your children to take them home. Please feel free to bring younger siblings with you if you would like to, but could I ask that you leave any prams or buggies outside under the covered area at the front of the office.

To confirm you will be attending the open afternoon, please log into Scopay ([www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com)) go to trips and events and click on 'Give Consent'.

### Parents' evenings

Parents' evenings this term are scheduled for Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October between 3.30pm and 6.30pm. These will be done virtually using the School Cloud system. Please visit [SchoolCloud - St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School](#) to book your appointments. A short guide on how to add appointments is attached.

If you encounter any problems, please contact the school office.

### **Year 4 Class Mass – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Year 4 parents are invited to join us in the hall at 9am on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October for a class Mass.

### **Reception class intake for September 2022**

If you know of any families with a child due to start school in September 2022, please could you let them know that we are doing tours for prospective parents every Tuesday and Thursday morning? Places on the tours need to be booked in advance by calling the school office on 01483 480441.

### **Friends AGM – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

It would be great to see as many of you as possible for the Friends AGM on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November in the school hall. Drinks and nibbles will be available from 6.15pm and the meeting will start at 6.45pm.

### **Happy Bag Collection - 21st October**

The next Happy Bag collection will be on Thursday 21st October.

If you need to drive up to school to drop off your bags please do this after 4pm on Wednesday 20th October. Please leave any bags under the shelter by the school office.

This is a great opportunity to declutter your cupboards whilst raising money for our school.

### **Fancy Dress Costumes and Christmas Jumper Donations**

If you have any unwanted fancy dress costumes or Christmas jumpers please drop them into the School Office. The Friends will be selling them in the playground over the next few weeks.

### **Parking on Five Oaks Close**

We've had complaints this week from residents living at the entrance to the close about parents parking and blocking access during drop off and pick up. I completely understand that Five Oaks Close is a public highway and legally you are entitled to park on the road, but please could I ask you to help our relationship with the residents and avoid parking anywhere along the close and use Wickes or the Surrey pub instead. Many thanks.

### **Harvest donations: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

We are having our harvest celebration on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October and would like to ask that children come into school that day with some non-perishable food that they can contribute to our collection. All of the donations will be given to the church where they will be distributed to local parishioners and the Woking food bank. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### **Upcoming INSET days**

A quick reminder for your diary that the school is closed for INSET training on 8<sup>th</sup> October and also on 22<sup>nd</sup> October for the Queens Jubilee for Surrey Schools.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone,

God bless,  
Mrs Harper