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Dear Parents,

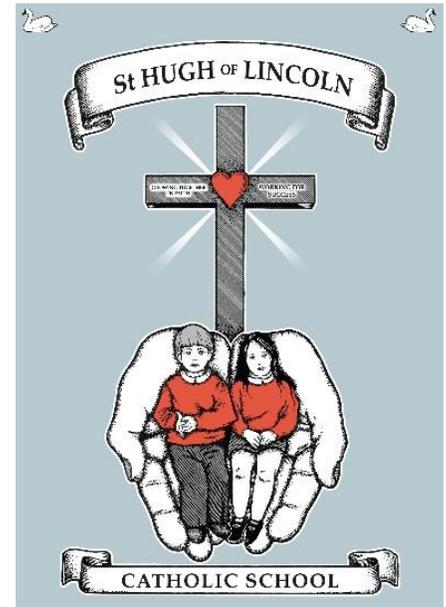
This week we have had the privilege of welcoming all our children who have started in Reception class. It is an exciting time as we look forward to the next seven years of getting to know these children better and nurturing them in our 'St Hugh of Lincoln way'.

Year 6 have had a great time at PGL Windmill Hill this week. I have enjoyed the children's company for the week. All the children have taken part in a wide range of activities, including zip wire, climbing, fencing, abseiling, canoeing and raft building. Our main objectives for the residential visit were around team building and developing confidence, and these objectives were achieved. Residential trips can only happen with the support of parents and the commitment of staff. I am extremely grateful to Mrs Pickard, Mrs Trundle and Miss Libby who spent their week with the children, looking after them and enabling them to enjoy all the great learning opportunities that come with a week away.

Next Friday we will have a special assembly to commission children into new roles that they will hold for this year: our new school councillors, house captains, prefects, monitors, buddies, games captains, eco-group members, RE leaders and Fairtrade group members. All children in Year 6 will be commissioned into a role – all Year 6 parents are invited, along with parents of children in other classes who have been elected into a role. The assembly will start at 9.00am. During this assembly we will also announce the winner of this year's 'PGL Personality of the Year award', which the Year 6 children will vote for next week.

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.



Mass in school – 8.30am on Wednesday 19th September

Fr Alexander has kindly arranged for a visiting priest to celebrate Mass in school at 8.30am next Wednesday. We are so privileged to be able to celebrate Mass in school every week and I am very grateful to Fr Alexander for having arranged for this to happen even in his absence.

Please do come if you can. It would be lovely if lots of people came and showed our visiting priest how much we value the opportunity for Mass to be said in school each week, and to make him feel welcome. All parents and parishioners are warmly invited, and Key Stage 2 children may attend without a parent being present.

On Monday we will have 'Meet the Teacher' meetings for Years 1-6. The teachers will hold short meetings in their classrooms to introduce themselves, talk a little about the curriculum for the year group, home learning, planned educational visits etc. The teachers will give a short presentation starting at 3.25pm and will then repeat the same presentation at 3.45pm, so parents with children in two different classes can meet teachers in both classrooms.

This year's term dates:

5 September – start of Autumn term for children

22-26 October – Autumn half-term holiday

21 December – end of Autumn term

7 January – start of Spring term

18-22 February – Spring half-term holiday

5 April – end of Spring term

23 April – start of Summer term

27-31 May – Summer half-term holiday

19 July – end of Summer term

INSET days when school is closed to pupils: 3 September, 4 September, 5 October, 3 December, 13 March with one date in the Summer term to be determined.

The term dates are common to all the schools in the Xavier Catholic Education Trust.

Forthcoming dates:

17 September – Meet the Teacher meetings

19 September – Mass in school (8.30am)

20 September – Year 4 visit to Chertsey Museum

21 September – Commissioning Service (9.00am)

27 September – Individual / family photographs

3 October – Open morning for Sept 2019 admission

5 October – School closed to pupils (INSET day)

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 Wednesday evening teachers from the school joined with colleagues from all of the other Catholic schools in Woking and Weybridge deaneries at St Dunstan's Church for a Mass to ask God's blessing on the work of all our schools over this academic year. Last Sunday was also Education Sunday, when we were asked to pray for all those involved in education in our country in any way.

We will have our first Open Morning for September 2019 admission on 3 October, starting at 9.15am. Please pass the word around to anyone you know who will be looking for a school place for a child from September 2019.