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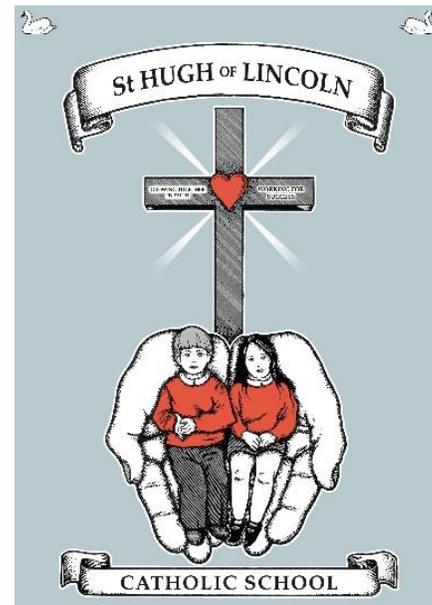
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to our Reception children who led a wonderful first class assembly on Thursday morning. They shared with us some lovely memories from their first year in school, including telling us about some of the things they learned during their recent trip to Chessington. They have learned a lot about animals, and about how precious water is. They reminded us that water is a gift from God that we need to live, and that we need never to take it for granted. As always it was lovely to be able to welcome many Reception class parents and grandparents to the assembly. Well done to all the children, and to Mrs Barker, Mrs Osborn, Mrs Samuels, Mrs Fazzone and Mrs Avery who all work in Reception class.

On Thursday we welcomed four senior teachers from within our multi-academy trust to join Mrs Grace and me for an annual review of teaching and learning in our school. During the day we visited a number of classrooms to observe lessons, and looked at children's books from every class. Our visiting guests met with the School Council, with some of our governors, and with a number of members of staff. It was a very positive experience, and a good example of us working well alongside colleagues from within the multi-academy trust. As with any review we have highlighted some areas in which we will be keen to develop in the school over the coming weeks and months, but also lots to celebrate. In particular I was delighted to hear our visiting colleagues comment on the sense of community evident within the school, the polite and confident children that they encountered throughout the school, and the strength of the Catholic ethos pervading everything that we do.

I am hopeful that we will have a decision from the council regarding our planning application for a wrap-around care facility very shortly. At the moment we are still waiting. We will communicate with parents when a decision has been made, and if permission is granted, what this means in terms of a timeline for works and opening. I look forward to seeing you at the Summer Fayre. 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.

SUMMER FAYRE – SATURDAY
30 June

12 midday – 3.00pm

Please come and support our school

Forthcoming events:

29 June – School Mass – Ss Peter and Paul (9.00am)
29 June – New Reception starters introductory visit (2.30pm)
29 June – Meeting for parents of new Reception starters
30 June – Summer Fayre
3 July – Year 6 children moving on to SJB induction day
4 July – Year 1 class Mass
4 July – Deanery Year 6 Mass (St Dunstan's Church)
5-6 July – Year 4 cycle training
6 July – 'French day'
6 July – New Reception starters introductory visit (2.30pm)
9-10 July – Year 5 cycle training
11 July – Year 2 class Mass
13 July – Year 6 class assembly (9.00am)
13 July – New Reception starters introductory visit (2.30pm)
13 July – Records of Achievement issued
18 July – Whole school Mass (9.00am)
20 July – End of the Summer term (1.30pm)
3 September – INSET day – school closed to pupils
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5 September – Start of Autumn term for pupils
10-14 September – Year 6 at PGL

Fr Alexander celebrated a Class Mass with Year 4 on Wednesday morning. This was a very special Mass, as it was offered in memory of Alix Manders, our friend and parent at the school, on the first anniversary of her death. It was lovely that many parents were able to come, as well as members of Alix's family. Please continue to keep Alix and her family in your prayers.

Next Wednesday the Class Mass will be in Year 1, at 9.00am. Parents will be warmly welcomed.

Our Golden Children

Reception: Jarod and Louis – for excellent progress in writing. **Year 1:** Ronan – for some brilliant learning in maths; Ellie – for teaching the rest of the class all about Japan; Alex – for applying what he has learned in phonics to the rest of his work; Justin – for lovely work in RE; Daniela – for beautiful colouring and drawing; Ewan – for writing some great stories. **Year 2:** Olivia, Frank and Leah – for great enthusiasm in Science; Kevin and Sophia – for super progress in maths. **Year 3:** Dino – for persevering on tasks even when they difficult; Alice – for amazing contributions to plant and light topics in class; Alisya – for working really hard to improve writing stamina. **Year 4:** Claudio – for working hard to improve the presentation of work; Louise – for trying her hardest in everything she does. **Year 5:** Michael – for being a keen and willing learner, whatever the task; Michael – for presenting work really well. **Year 6:** Jonah – for an amazing model hospital of the future; Riona – for showing a real thirst for knowledge.

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Friends Reception Class have this wonderful new canopy over their sandpit. This will shade them from the sun, and shield them from the rain, ensuring that the sandpit can be used safely all year round.



A huge thank you to the Friends from Mrs Barker, and all of us.

Pencil cases and exercise books

From September we will be providing children with all the stationery they need to use at school, and will not be expecting (or allowing) children to bring in their own pencil cases.

We will be trying to engender a greater sense of pride in the books of all children, and will be asking parents to support us with that by covering their child's exercise books with sticky-backed plastic. We would like to send books home with children in Reception to Year 5 before the end of this term for them to be covered and brought back, fresh and ready for use in September. A separate letter will accompany the books when they come home.