



St Hugh of Lincoln
Catholic Primary School
In faith and love, we learn and grow



Newsletter 30 April 2021

Dear parents and carers,

One of the loveliest places in our school at the minute is our old prayer garden, tucked away in the wooded area at the back of the school. You may remember that as part of our St Hugh week celebrations back in November, you kindly donated bulbs for the children to plant to try and make this area in the school "sing". I thought you might like to see just how wonderful it now looks with Mary surrounded by beautiful blooms just in time for her special month of May. Thank you once again for your kind donations and for helping to make our school look so fantastic.



Work is coming along on our new sensory prayer garden. The area has been cleared and Mr Hannon is in the process of building some new raised beds. For those of you wondering what the large builder's bags are on the KS1 playground, they're materials ready for the next phase of our landscaping work.

Fossil hunting in year 5 and 6

In our Science lesson this week Year 5 and Year 6 became palaeontologists and created their own fossils in rock using seashells and clay. The children learned about how fossils are formed and found out about a famous fossil hunter called Mary Anning. It was a wonderful opportunity for the children to use their practical skills to explain a scientific model. We are all very much looking forward to next week's lesson when they will excavate their fossils by gently chipping away the rock. Lots of fun was had by all!



Computing in year 4

It has been computing week in year 4 and they have been learning how to use spreadsheets in purple-mash. The children have been exploring different controls and functions to work out solutions to calculations. So far we have collected data, made pie charts and even made a times table machine!



RE drama in year 3

Year 3 have been learning about Pentecost in their Come and See topic and have been doing some drama to recreate the story and help them understand the descent of the Holy Spirit to visit the Apostles. They've also been creating some amazing Pentecost paintings I'll share with you next week.



Stationary

Please could I ask for your support to make sure your child has everything they need with them in their pencil cases including a glue stick and a blue handwriting pen (for KS2). The Covid guidelines for schools say that children aren't able to share stationery and so it really helps us to keep the children safe if they have their own individual, named stationery in their pencil case. Many thanks for your help and understanding with this.

Parking on Five Oaks Close and walking in the road

I'm sorry to have to end on a slightly less positive note, but we have been getting some complaints from the residents on the Close about some parents parking on the road at the beginning and end of the day. We work really hard to try and build a good relationship with our neighbours and I need to say thank you to the vast majority of you who help us to achieve this. Please could I ask those of you who may be tempted to park on the Close, or drive up to the school not to? If you need to drive to school, please park in The Surrey or on the surrounding roads and walk up. On a related note, we also had a couple of calls from residents this morning worried about children and parents walking in the road rather than using the path, apparently there was a near miss when one resident tried to reverse out of their drive. Thank you so much for your cooperation and support.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. I hope you all enjoy the Bank Holiday and look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday.

God bless,
Mrs Harper