



## Barkston Ash Catholic Primary School

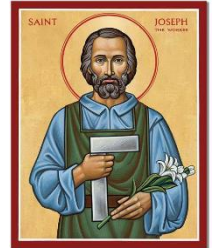
*'With God's guidance we grow and learn'*

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Dear Parents and Carers

This week, it was Class 5's turn to attend Mass at Scarthingwell- we all had a lovely time celebrating the Feast day of St. Joseph the Worker on the 1<sup>st</sup> May. Fr. Henry spoke to the children about St. Joseph being a role model for workers. We also took some time to pray for people working in countries where the working conditions are not as good and as safe as they are in the United Kingdom.



As we welcome the beginning of May, we also celebrate our Blessed Virgin Mary. In school, our Faith in Action group will be running a May Devotion club. We will also be setting the children a devotion activity to complete at home each week; please encourage them to take part.

**This week's activity:** light a candle and pray the Hail Mary. If you wish, share a photo via Google classroom or email a photo to the school office.

Have a wonderful long weekend

Mrs Vaughan

**Virtue** Our second virtue this half-term is '**Resilience**'. When we are resilient, we accept that there will be difficulties in life but we see these as a challenge and not to be discouraged. We search for our inner strength and faith to get us through personal challenges. We have the staying power to commit to seeing things through and don't give up when things get hard because our motivation comes from within and we see challenges as an opportunity for growth. There will be some things we cannot change and some we can. Through the experience of these challenges, we will develop the wisdom to discern the situations that are in need of perseverance and resilience.

***"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."* Joshua 1:9**

**Weekly Mission** To know that we are called to be disciples who follow Jesus by listening to His instructions.

### **Prayer of the Week The Hail Mary**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

**Fundraising Friday** Thank you to everyone who support Dom, Oscar and Seb last week. The bake sale and sponsorship raised **£203**. The boys are very grateful to everyone for their generosity. If anyone didn't have the opportunity but would still like to sponsor the boys, please speak to them on the playground.

**Children's Liturgy** A reminder that it is Children's Liturgy this Sunday at St Joseph the Worker.

**Upcoming Bank Holiday** Please could we remind you that school will be closed on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May due to the national May Bank Holiday.

**Teampoint Winners** This week's winners are the **blue** team with an awesome average of 33.2 points! **Class 5** achieved the highest team point total with a fab 1100 collected this week! Well done to blue team and Class 5!

**School Crossing at Barkston Ash** We are thrilled to have received notification that North Yorkshire are advertising for a crossing patrol for our school. Please see the link to the job advert below and pass to anyone who you think may be interested in this role. Thank you.

[School Crossing Patrol: Barkston Ash, Tadcaster \(EN0485\) \(engageats.co.uk\)](#)

**Summer Dates** Dates for next week are below. Please see our school website calendar for all dates.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May- **School closed- Bank Holiday**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May- Class 5 Tins on Tuesday

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May- 10.30am- Class 1 attending Mass at Scarthingwell (*all parents, carers and parishioners are welcome to attend*)

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May- KS1 Tri-Golf tournament (*participant invites already sent*)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May- 2.45pm- Celebration Liturgy (*Class 5 parents and carers invited to attend*)

**Dates for the Diary!** In an attempt to be organised, please see scheduled summer dates below:

w/c Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 SATs week (school open to Year 6 children from 8.15am)

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May: Class Photos

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May: Fundraising Friday- Gracie and Hannah

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May: Young Apprentice trip for Class 5 to Go Ape

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May: HH Sponsored Bounce event

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May: 8pm, HH AGM

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May: School closes for half-term

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May: INSET day

w/c Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Year 4 Times Table Check week

w/c Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June: Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June: Bikeability

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June: HH Non-uniform day (adult tombola)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June: Year 5 Taster Day at St. John Fisher Catholic High School

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June: HH Summer Fair

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June: Year 5 and 6 Children's University Discovery afternoon at Selby College

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June: Fundraising Friday- Benus

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June: First Holy Communion Masses

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Leeds Singing Performance (a group of KS2 children to be invited by the Diocese)

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July: 1.30pm Sports Day

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July: Year 5 and 6 Robinwood residential

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July: HH Break the Rules day

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July: 2.45pm- KS1 Superstar Singers club performance

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July: Transition Day in school (children spend the day in their new classes)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July: 4pm- Year 6 Leaver's Production

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July: 9.15am- Year 6 Leaver's Liturgy

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July: Break up for summer

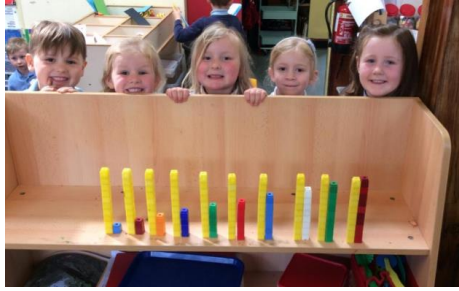
Phew! We have a lot of exciting events with more to arrange so keep an eye on future newsletters!

**Health and Hygiene** There appears to be a lot of viruses circulating at the minute so we have been encouraging the children to take some extra precautionary steps in school to help stop the spread. These have included washing their hands thoroughly after using the toilet and before eating; coughing and sneezing into a tissue or their elbow; and, not sharing writing equipment in class. Please could we ask for your help in reinforcing these messages at home. Thank you.

*Newsletters, class curriculum letters, other useful forms & letters and the Wednesday Word are available on the school website.*



## Let's Celebrate!



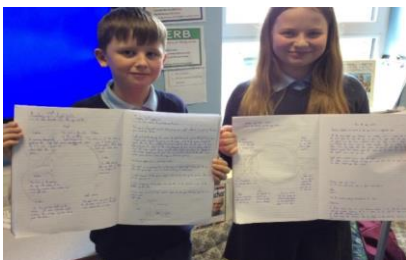
In **Class 1**, reception children have enjoyed learning about numbers up to 20.

In **Class 2** this week, the children have enjoyed learning about the Ascension and making picture crafts for it.



In **Class 3** this week, Alfie, Toby and Isaac created and led our class liturgy. They chose to focus on 'Peace' as this is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit.

In **Class 4** this term, we have been working on striking and fielding skills. This week we have been playing cricket and have focused on striking the ball and fielding it to try and run out the person who is batting.



In **Class 5**, we have been learning all about light. In this study we have found out how the human eye and brain work together to create sight. Did you know that our eyes are responsible for 80% of all the information our brains receive? To show our understanding we drew a cross section of the eye with labels to show all of its functions.

🌀 Thank you to Freddie C and William for presenting our Celebration Liturgy this week! 🌀

### A huge well done to this week's award winners...

Class 1 Superstar: Zac

Class 5 Superstar: Caelan

Class 2 Superstar: Elsie

Headteacher award: Emilia C2

Class 3 Superstar: Cole

Lunchtime award: Charlotte C1

Class 4 Superstar: Ethan

A huge congratulations to our newest Times Table champion...

**Isabella T C3**