



May 9th 2025

Laleham Lea

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Dear Parents

We have been celebrating the news that we have a new Pope and praying for Pope Leo XIV who in his opening address as Pope asked for Our Lady's intercession, which we have also been praying for during the holy month of Our Lady.

We have enjoyed celebrating the 80th anniversary of VE Day with special workshops and a fun tea party in the playground yesterday. Thank you for all of your contributions to our tea party.

Year 6 are very excited about their PGL trip setting off on Monday. We cannot wait to hear all about their adventures.

Mrs Reece
Headteacher

House Points Scores

Wulstan

This Week: 127

Total—3505

Alban

This Week: 136

Total—2993

Mayne

This Week: 146

Total—2788

Edmund

This Week: 123

Total—2735

Dates for your diary

- May 12th 16th —Y6 PGL Trip
- May 17th—Catholic Schools Netball & Football—8.45 meet
- May 20th—Informal Music Assembly Rec, Year 1 and Year 2—9.15am
- May 23rd—Reception Class Assembly—9am
- May 26th—30th Half Term
- June 11th Sports Day (R-Y6)
- June 13th LAMDA exams
- June 16th & 18th Aqua Sports Y5
- June 23rd—Pirates of the Curry Bean KS2 Play & prize giving from 2pm
- June 25th—EYFS/KS1 Plays—9.15 and 11am



THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL



Habemus Papam!



Yesterday evening we heard the exciting news that Robert Prevost was elected as Pope by the College of Cardinals.

Choosing the name Pope Leo XIV, our new Holy Father's first words as he greeted the world from the Central Loggia of St Peter's Basilica were:

"Peace be with you! Dearest brothers and sisters, this was the first greeting of the risen Christ, the good shepherd who gave His life for the flock of God. I, too, would like this greeting of peace to enter your hearts". Please join us in praying for Pope Leo XIV.

Gospel Values

Well done to this week's Gospel Values award winners for showing Compassion, Gentleness, Justice, Love, Forgiveness and Hope



Mini Vinnies

The Mini Vinnies are working on another exciting project that, with the help of the whole school, will greatly enhance our Long Room.

All the exciting details will be shared at our Celebration of the Word Assembly on Monday week.





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The Month of Mary



May is the month we dedicate to Our Lady and students have been writing prayers and created beautiful artwork for our Longroom display.

VE Day 80th Anniversary



Nursery



This week Nursery have been looking at Dinosaurs. The children have been learning all about fossils and used some clay to create their own fossils too.

The children have also been using extended vocabulary and learning new words and meaning including— 'carnivore' and 'herbivore' and then drew their favourite dinosaurs.

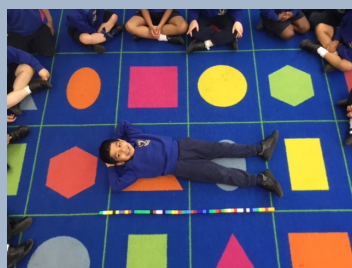
Nursery have been reinforcing their Maths' skills by matching number and quantity and also enjoyed exploring the sensory tray investigating the sand, wood and dinosaurs too.

Reception

We've had another busy and exciting week in Reception!

In Literacy we continued with our story of Sleeping Beauty, while in Maths, we have been working on measuring using non-standard units. The children had lots of fun using cubes, hands, and feet to measure different objects (and people!) around the classroom and compared their lengths.

We also learned about VE Day. The children listened carefully as we talked about why we remember this day, and they made beautifully coloured hats decorated with Union Jacks to wear for our VE Day picnic. It was a lovely way for the school to come together and celebrate.

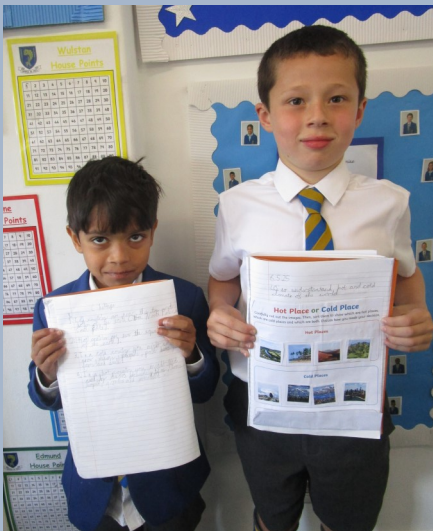


Year 1



This week in literacy the children used lots of exciting adjectives to write character descriptions of both Snow White and The Wicked Queen.

Year 2



In Geography Year 2 have been learning about hot and cold climates of the world.

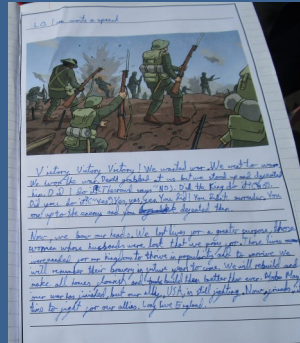
Year 3



In Year 3, we have been learning about the Ancient Egyptians. For our homework, we have researched different information about our topic including Ancient Egyptian gods, the Ancient Egyptian symbols of Hieroglyphics and mummification.

Year 4

This week in Year 4 Patriotic fervour has been invoked. The children examined Winston Churchill's VE day speech broadcast to the nation on the 8th May 1945 at 3pm. They then wrote their own speeches announcing that the war was over and that victory had finally arrived.



Year 5

Year 5 have been learning all about Pentecost and the resurrection of Jesus.



Stars of the week



Year 6

Year 6 have been researching UK coastal towns for their Geography unit on coasts and coastal erosion. They have made some very informative and beautifully designed posters for homework to put up on our display board.



WWII Workshops

Years 1-6 had enjoyed WWII workshops as part of our VE Day celebrations this week.

Students travelled back in time to learn about the struggles, sacrifices and bravery of those who fought and worked for our freedom.



Football Superstar

Congratulations to our Year 2 football star who is training with Chelsea FC Academy.





SUMMER FAIR



Saturday 28th June 2025
11AM – 2PM

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SAVE THE DATE!

RAFFLES
GAMES
FOOD

