

St Kentigern's Catholic Primary School

April Newsletter 2008

Dear Parents,

As First Holy Communion Sunday approaches we look back over the past 7 months. Families have been attending the Sacramental Programme when we have discussed various aspects of our faith and it has been encouraging that all the families have shown a great commitment by attending the monthly sessions.

We have had the opportunity to develop the understanding of our faith and increase our spiritual awareness.

I hope that this First Holy Communion Sunday will be a memorable and prayerful experience for all involved and I would like to thank Fr John for his guidance and to everyone who has contributed to the Programme.

Jesus is truly alive and present in the Eucharist and we have much to celebrate. Our children are the Church of tomorrow and it is our responsibility to help them.

Let's hope and pray that they continue to grow spiritually and deepen their own personal relationship with Christ.

Yours sincerely
Frances Wygladala

PTFA News



The next event is the "MAGIC SHOW" on Friday 25th April. Doors open at 7.15pm

Entry costs £2 per child and £1 for adults.

All children **MUST** be accompanied by an appropriate adult.

Ice-cream and popcorn available during interval.

The Next Meeting to discuss the Summer Fun Day will be on Wednesday 14th May at 8pm in the Parish Centre

All welcome. New ideas appreciated.

St George's Day Celebrations at St Kentigern's



Thanks to Mr Clarke for the very kind donation of two boxes of red and white items and 28 England footballs. We raised £210 thank you!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY

27 children will receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time on Sunday at the 10.30am Mass.

When you arrive please check in with the catechist in the porch. Children should then go to the front of Church and have their individual photograph taken. The photographer

will be here from 9.30am. Children should sit down in the benches next to the Confessional and spend a little time in prayer. No individual photos will be taken after 10.15am so can you please arrive in plenty of time. The first five rows will be allocated for parents and siblings. A group photograph will be taken at 10.20am and then the children will make their way into the Sacristy for

Mass to begin. After Mass the children will form a guard of honour at the back of Church and will then walk across to the Parish Hall for the Communion Breakfast provided by the PTFA and Fr John will say grace. Parents and families are encouraged to use the Parish Centre whilst the children are eating

where the bar will be open and tea and coffee will be served. The cake will be cut in class on Monday. Please make sure that all the children have had breakfast and please arrive in plenty of time. Remember to check in and enjoy this very special occasion.

Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. Let us all enjoy this First Holy Communion Sunday!

CONFIRMATIONS 2008



Children in Year 5 will receive a letter from Fr John soon asking if they want to be confirmed.

Either Bishop Patrick or Bishop Michael will be visiting the parish on 22nd October 2008 to confirm the candidates.

It is a big step in their faith journey and one that will be supported by the parish and school. Parents please encourage your children to receive this sacrament.

Come, Holy Spirit!

START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

It is the responsibility of parents to supervise their own children on the playground prior to the doors opening at 8.45am. Some incidents have occurred and injuries have been caused due to children as young as 4 years of age being left unsupervised.

School is not responsible for the children until 8.45am when all teachers are in the classrooms for a calm start to the day.

Please do not "drop-off" your children on Newton Drive and "hope" they get into school safely and on time.

PRINTER CARTRIDGES

This recycling scheme allows us to claim money back for empty printer cartridges such as **HP, EPSON, CANON & LEXMARK.**

Please keep sending in any used toner/ cartridges.

NESTLE CEREAL

Please keep sending in the Box Tops. They can be found on packets of Shreddies, Fibre 1, Clusters and other Nestle cereals which provide a healthy start for the day for the family.

TESCO

Please keep sending in Tesco vouchers. Offer finishes on Sunday 11th May.

SAINSBURYS

AK vouchers provide PE/Sports and Playground equipment. Please collect

CLASS MASSES AND ASSEMBLIES

Masses are in Church on a Tuesday at 10.15am.

29th April	Year 3
6th May	Year 2 and Year 6
10th June	Reception and Year 1
15th July	Year 4 and Year 5

Assemblies are on a Friday at 10.10am

23rd May	Year 4
13th June	Year 3
20th June	Year 2
27th June	Year 5
4th July	Year 1
11th July	Reception

Year 6 will be organising a Leavers' Concert. This will be confirmed in the next newsletter.

All parents and family members welcome.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 24th April

- 3.45pm Football v Haweside

Wednesday 25th April

- 7.15pm PTFA Magic Show

Sunday 27th April

- 10.30am First Holy Communion Sunday

Tuesday 29th April

- 10.15am Year 3 Mass and party with Prayer Partners in school

Friday 2nd May

- Year 4 swimming for first time
- 5pm Mass in Malayalam in Church. Bishop Michael to attend

Monday 5th May

- Bank Holiday - School closed all day

Tuesday 6th May

- 10.15am Year 2 & Year 6 Class Mass

Monday 12th-Friday 16th May

SATs Week

Wednesday 14th May

- 8pm PTFA Meeting

Wednesday 21st May

- 2pm May Procession in Church

Thursday 22nd May

- 9.15am Year 6 to tabor House, Preston for day of reflection

Friday 23rd May

- 10.10am Year 4 Class Assembly
- 3.30pm School closes for 2 weeks half term holidays
- 6.30pm PTFA BBQ and obstacle race

Monday 9th June

- 8.45am School re-opens