### We learn and pray, in faith and love



14.5.2021

Dear families of St. Kentigern's,



We wish all our families who have been celebrating Eid, a day full of love and laughter. Thank you for the wonderful treats that you have brought to school - we appreciate them very much.

### Holy Communion

Thank you to those families who have returned their sacramental programme requests to Fr. Michael. We have now finalised our numbers and will contact you with your child's allocated date as soon as possible. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place in school on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May during the school day.

# A message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well and caring for one another. Next Monday is May 17<sup>th</sup>, a date that we have all been thinking about as we seem to be emerging from "Lockdown restrictions." Monday is a time for a new dawn on the horizon, an easing of certain restrictions, but really, it is a time to still be very careful and considerate. The way we wear our mask and observe a distance is an example of "Charity and mercy and fraternity," the virtues we need in our family and our society. As we celebrate the Ascension and look forward to Pentecost, we need to think about how we share these gifts; how we are examples of mercy, love and charity in the way we speak, in the way we live each day. Very soon we will celebrate Reconciliation and First Holy Communion with our Year 3 families and the best way of preparing for these sacraments is through "Acts of charity and mercy and love." Please keep the children and their families who are preparing for First Holy Communion in your thoughts and prayers.

St. Kentigern and St. Joseph, pray for us.

#### Clubs

As lockdown eases, we are happy to announce the reintroduction of afterschool clubs. A list will be going out to families through Parent App and will include information on costings and method of payment. Outdoor clubs will have mixed bubbles. Indoor clubs will be in year group bubbles only. Please be aware that if bad weather prevents an outdoor club from taking place, the club will have to be cancelled.

## Half Term

Just to remind you that school will close for half term next Friday  $21^{st}$  May at 3.15pm. The children will return to school on Tuesday  $8^{th}$  June. May I also remind you that, as we are in the summer term, summer uniform should be worn.

#### Prayer Garden

I would like to thank the children and Mr Hamer for their hard work in creating the mosaic tiles for our prayer garden. They look fantastic! Weather permitting, we should be able to set the tiles in place next week. The purpose of the garden is to provide a quiet space for the children; a place where they can gather their thoughts, pray or reflect. The garden is currently nameless!

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We have set the children the task of suggesting names and it would be great if you could help your children to come up ideas.



Chester finishes digging the first couple of holes for the tiles.



Chester checks that the quality of the boys' work matches his high quality digging.

With continued best wishes,

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Headteacher