

We learn and pray, in faith and love



14.5.2021

Dear families of St. Kentigern's,

We have reached the end of another half term. Not unusually, it has been very busy and I know that everyone is looking forward to a rest over the next two weeks. The children will return to school on **Tuesday 8th June**.

Crowning of Mary

Today, the Year 3 children, under the guidance of the GIFT team, participated in the wonderful celebration of the Crowning of Mary. The spirituality of the children, together with their beautiful singing, made the occasion very special. We would like to thank Fr. Michael for joining us and leading our celebration.



Instagram

Following your feedback regarding social media, I am delighted to tell you that we have our school's Instagram account up and running! To follow us, either scan the QR code below or alternatively, click on the link below which will take you to our page.



[St Kentigerns Primary School \(@stkentigernsrcp\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

Loreto Newsletter

This week, school has sent out a newsletter from Loreto High School through Parent App. If you haven't read it yet, can I please encourage you to do so. You will be able to see the many wonderful activities that the children are involved in. If your child is in Year 6 and was not successful in achieving a place for year 7 at Loreto High, please contact our school office who can advise you further on this matter.

Letter from Bishop John

I have attached the Pastoral letter from Bishop John Arnold which explains why we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. It also explains how and why CAFOD are fundraising to help the poorest people in the world. St. Kentigern's has supported the work of CAFOD for many years and will do so again this year. Further information will follow.

A message from Fr. Michael

Hello and I hope everyone is well and staying safe. I would like to congratulate all the children who this week celebrated the sacrament of "First Forgiveness!" When I was young, we called this "First Confession" but now, quite rightly, we think much more about the importance of being forgiven. It is so important for everyone to think about the living forgiveness God offers to us all. This weekend it is Pentecost Sunday, the last day of Easter and the birthday of the church. As this feast reminds us, everything that exists, every person and the whole of creation, is a gift of God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth." So, may the gifts of the Holy Spirit, giver of life, live in us to enable us to be the great person God wants us to be! Have a wonderful half term vacation. St. Kentigern and St. Joseph, pray for us.

Free School Meal Vouchers

In line with Government and Local Authority guidance, we are issuing free school meal vouchers for the two week half term. These will be released today to those families who were previously eligible, and can be redeemed in the usual way. To the best of our knowledge, this will be the final tranche of vouchers however, this is subject to Government review.

Healthy Packed Lunches

I have been so pleased to see a big increase in the number of healthy packed lunches. The children have been proud to show me how they have swapped to fruit, healthy sandwiches as well as other healthy options. Even better, they have been able to explain how a healthy lunch protects their teeth and gives them energy to learn. I will soon have to order more stickers! Well done, everyone!

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Even Chester has a healthy lunch now!

With continued best wishes,

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