



Bishop Ellis Catholic Voluntary Academy



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Dear parents and carers.

This coming Sunday the Church celebrates Pentecost. This is the feast of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church – a gift which we now receive at Baptism, Confirmation and at Mass. The word ‘Pentecost’ means ‘fiftieth day’. On this day (fifty days after Easter) the apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is not just a historical event. The Holy Spirit is alive and active today.

As Pope Francis says “The extraordinary outpouring of Pentecost continues. The Holy Spirit transforms us and wants to transform the world.”

1st Holy Communion

I was delighted to be able to join children and families from Bishop Ellis to celebrate 1st Holy Communion in St Theresa’s parish last Sunday. It was a joyful celebration and the children were a real credit to their families and our school.

Mission Statement.

We are in the process of reviewing our Mission Statement to ensure that it continues to fully reflect the Catholic Life and Mission of our school and to ensure that it is inclusive for all members of our community.

Please see the link to a Microsoft forms page where you are able to give feedback.

<https://forms.office.com/e/3GY0NNPCx4>

The Divine Infant of Prague Catholic Parish, Syston. Fundraising event.

A message from Fr Clement. Fr Clement has completed his walk to raise funds for the parish roof.

The Church in Syston was opened for the first time in 1948. The east and west wings were added in the 80s. After a few inspections by roof specialists, and the approval by the Diocesan Buildings and Sites Committee, it is clear we need to build a new roof for Syston Church at a cost of £45,000. This sponsored walk is a part of the Fundraising efforts by parishioners and friends. The Church exists for the welfare of our community and many people find peace and solace when they go to Church. Your help and support will be very much appreciated.

You may give online via our Parish Lloyds Bank Account No. 03394798, Sort Code 30-94-97, or via Cheque which is made out to Syston R C Parish Church.

The school council are going to organise a sponsored walk for us to do in school to support this initiative.

Parents and Carers coffee morning.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the coffee morning this morning. We plan to run this event each half term.

FOBE Rags 2 Riches

The Rags to Riches initiative will take place on Monday 12th June. Any unwanted clothes can be donated to school and we will receive funds to be spent on the children. Our Eco team will co-ordinate the event. Please see attached flyer.

Half term activities.

Please see the additional flyer about activities and offers that you can take advantage of during the half term break.

Health and Safety message

Please can all parents ensure that their children are supervised before the start of school. Gates open at 8:40am. There have been a couple of near misses recently in terms of people getting hurt. This is something we clearly want to avoid.

Diary Dates

May

Friday 26 th May	FOBE break the rules day Half term
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June

Friday 9 th June	Sports Day FOBE summer fair
Monday 12 th June	FOBE Rags to Riches
Thursday 15 th June	English Martyrs y7 induction
Friday 16 th June	Eco Schools Fundraiser Year 6 dental check.
Wednesday 21 st June	Y3/4 trip to King Richard III centre. Year 6 summer production- afternoon and evening performances. Times TBC.
Monday 26 th June	Year 6 Briars residential
Thursday 29 th June	Feast day of St Peter and St Paul. Holy day of obligation. Mass in school 9:30am all parents/carers welcome. KS1 and Reception trip to Conkers De Lisle y7 induction New parents information evening 4:30pm
Friday 30 th June	De Lisle y7 induction New Reception class induction morning 9:15-11:30am

July

Wednesday 5 th July	Roundhill y7 induction
Thursday 6 th July	Roundhill y7 induction
Friday 7 th July	Celebration of Bishop Ellis and Leavers' Mass. 9:30am
Wednesday 12 th July	Y6 Leavers' disco 6:00-7:30pm
Thursday 13 th July	End of Pentecost term and School year

I hope you have a lovely half term week. The weather looks like it is set fair.

God bless

Mr Monaghan



