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LEARNING WITH JESUS, TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE!

Wednesday 12th September

This week in our act of worship, we were talking about when Jesus healed the deaf and mute man. Sometimes we all find it difficult to listen. Sometimes we all find it difficult to speak up - especially if we see that someone is doing something wrong or if we are afraid of being laughed at. It can be hard to stand up for what we know is right. It can be hard to speak out for what we believe in. When we look at the world we can see lots of things that are wrong. We are all part of God's family - a family that includes everyone in the world - but some of our brothers and sisters around the world live in poverty. It is not always easy to speak out for what we believe in, but Jesus asks us to try.

This week, our Mission is to: **Listen to others and to speak out for what is right.**

Ever loving Father, give us the courage to stand up and make our voices heard, to speak out for a fairer world where all people have the chance to live free from poverty. Amen.

Our statement to live by this week is:

"I can follow my school and classroom rules"

Our Y6 pupils who have made their First Holy Communion have all been invited to enrol to make the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. The enrolment Mass is on Saturday 15th September at Sacred Heart at 5pm.

Details of the preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation (Y3) and First Holy Communion (Y4) will be sent out shortly.



Attendance

Did you know.... Full attendance is vital for your child's educational progress. If a child has two weeks off per year for holidays in addition to normal absences for sickness, they will have lost the equivalent of a full year's schooling over the course of their education! Every day really does matter! We reward the classes for good attendance... I wonder who will win the award for best attendance and get an extra reward this week?



Gold Medals:

Each week every class collects 'gold medals' as rewards. Watch this space for the leader board!



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Dates	Time	Who	What
Fri 14th Sept	9:05	Whole School	Performance Poetry Assembly
Sat 15th Sept	5pm	Y6	Confirmation enrolment Mass at Sacred Heart
17th-19th Sept	Three days	Y6	Robinwood
Mon 17th Sept	After school	Y5	Football tournament
Thurs 4th Oct	8:45	Whole School	School photos
16th/18th Oct	4-7pm	Whole School	Parents' Evening
Fri 19th Oct	3:20pm	Whole School	Break up for October half term
Tues 30th Oct	8:50	Whole School	Start back
Thurs 13th Sept	3:30	Y4	Meet the teacher meetings
Mon 17th Sept		Y1	
Tues 18th Sept		Y3	

Other News:

We have our annual **Performance Poetry week** on FRIDAY. All the classes have been learning, reading and performing poetry all week. During Friday's class assembly, years 1-6 will each perform a poem for your entertainment! All are welcome!

The **Mini Vinnies** will be recommissioned at a special Mass on Friday at the cathedral in Leeds, by Bishop Marcus.

Online safety week is this week. This is just a reminder that there is advice for parents on our website to support you in safeguarding your children, with links to other sources of information. We will hopefully be arranging some parent workshops for you too... watch this space! In addition, the NSPCC and 'Think You Know' websites also have a wealth of advice and guidance for both children and parents.

A big **thank you** to everyone who helped us raise money last term for our new books. Miss Lister has ordered over £1500 worth of new books for you all to take home and read. Many thanks for your support.

As school budgets become smaller and smaller, we will be having lots of other opportunities, spread throughout the year, to raise money to pay for resources for the children and needed by the school. Please do support us where you can. Of course, we will still be developing our catholic social teaching and values with our children, so will be raising money to support those less fortunate, e.g. the Christmas Shoebox appeal. Watch this space!

Home-School agreements—there will be a Home-School agreement coming home for you to read, sign and discuss with your child. Please send them back to school as soon as you are able. There is also the school's behaviour Policy on the website. Thank you for your support.

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils, please ask to speak to Mrs Robinson, or Miss Lister who are our safeguarding leaders.