



Stars of the Week

is an opportunity to celebrate our Learning Stars.

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| St Francis | Braxton | Evan |
| St Clare | Samuel | Skye-Lily |
| St Vincent | Tyller | Charlie |
| St Teresa | Cassey | Paige |
| St Oscar Rom. | George | Hallie |

National Testing

At the beginning of this year, the Government confirmed that statutory SATS tests for Year 2 and Year 6, and other tests due to take place in 2021 (e.g. Phonics, Y4 Times Tables) were cancelled.

We will of course still assess children, and part of this will continue to involve giving children 'past papers' to support teacher assessment.

Dates for the term are on the school website.

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| 11 May | Forest School | Reception & St Clare |
| 18 May | Forest School | Reception & St Clare |
| 25 May | Forest School | Reception & St Clare |
| 26 May | School Photographer | |
| 28 May | Break up for Half Term | |
| 7 June | Non Pupil Day | |
| 8 June | Return to school | |

Mary, undoer of knots,

pray for us
entangled

in the cares
of this world:

you who lived
through all
this life brings,
who pondered

these things
in your heart.

HERE EVERYDAY, READY ON TIME

Now, more than ever, regular and punctual attendance is crucial to your child's achievement in school.

The class with the highest attendance this week was:

St Vincent 99%





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School Leader board:

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| St Vincent de Paul | 84,350 |
| St Teresa | 83,521 |
| St Clare | 62,038 |
| St Oscar Romero | 59,113 |
| St Francis | 48,970 |

Top 5 pupils - previous 30 days:

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| Patrick Y5 | 1,357 |
| Joseph Y5 | 1,270 |
| Tyller Y4 | 1,236 |
| Mackenzie Y5 | 1,168 |
| Charlie Y4 | 1,019 |

Top 5 pupils - 2020-2021:

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| Joseph Y5 | 11,072 |
| Kye Y3 | 10,123 |
| Patrick Y5 | 7,759 |
| Jacob Y6 | 7,231 |
| Jack M Y6 | 7,199 |

Top 5 pupils - progress and growth:

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| Daisy Y6 | +160 |
| Harry S Y5 | +110 |
| Joseph Y5 | +100 |
| Inka Y5 | +90 |
| Theo Y1 | +90 |

We are all working extremely hard at our English and Maths skills in IXL.

Can you better your best? Keep your Diagnostics up-to-date in the Arena.

Can you help move your class up the leader board?

Good luck!



The Big Ask Children's Commissioner's survey for children and young people is a survey being led by the Children's Commissioner for England for children and young people aged 4–17 in England (split into 4 age categories). The results of the survey will be used to show the government what children and young people think, and what children need to live happier lives.

There is an opportunity for both children and adults to complete the survey so, if you would like your child, and you, to take part, please click on the following link:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

It should take no more than 5-10 mins to complete.

Photographs

Tempest Photography will be in school to take sibling photographs and Year 6 and R class photographs on Wednesday 26th May.

They will be taking photos outside and will be at the school from 8.15am.

The company are unable to produce the 'vista' style photographs that we have requested over the past few years, due to their COVID risk assessments, but are still able to offer the more traditional style photographs.

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Kelly Dunne: Headteacher **St. Joseph's School is committed to safeguarding children.**

Designated Child Protection Officer: Kelly Dunne Deputy Child Protection Officer: Emma Wilson

Named Governor for Child Protection: Stephen Riedlinger

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SUMMER TERM 2020—'COME AND SEE' IN SCHOOL AND AT HOME

The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We would be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Judaism.

PENTECOST—SERVING

(3/5/2021 – 28.5.2021)

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| Early Years | GOOD NEWS - Passing on the Good News of Jesus |
| Year 1 | HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit |
| Year 2 | SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News |
| Year 3 | ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit |
| Year 4 | NEW LIFE - To hear and live the Easter message |
| Year 5 | TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power |

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it.

Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING

(8/6/2021—25/6/2021)

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| Early Years | FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus |
| Year 1 | BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well |
| Year 2 | RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family |
| Year 3 | CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience |
| Year 4 | BUILDING BRIDGES - Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other |
| Year 5 | FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible |
| Year 6 | HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick |

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven.

Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD

(22.6.2020 – 17.7.2020)

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| Early Years | OUR WORLD - God's wonderful world |
| Year 1 | NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world |
| Year 2 | TREASURES - God's treasure; the world |
| Year 3 | SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community |
| Year 4 | GOD'S PEOPLE - Different saints show people what God is like |
| Year 5 | STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation |
| Year 6 | COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family |

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family.

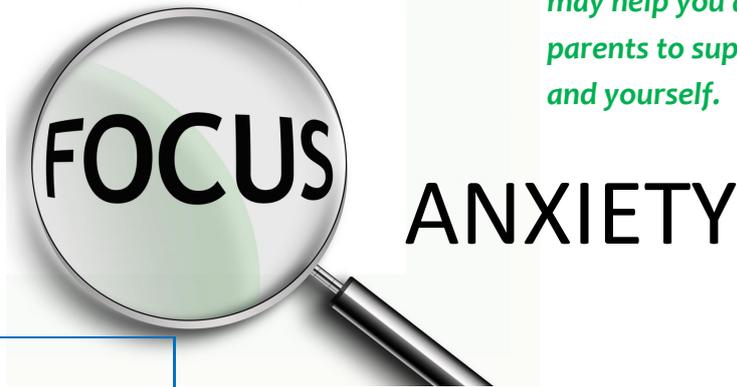
Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country.

Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.



We recognise that many of our children are suffering with varying degrees of anxiety at different times and for different reasons. They may be quieter; having more melt-down; reluctant to come to school or clingy and tearful. Below are some links to videos and advice that

may help you as parents to support your child and yourself.



FOR PARENTS

Anxiety is something everyone experiences at times. Feeling anxious is a natural reaction to some situations. However feelings of anxiety can be constant, overwhelming or out of proportion to the situation, this can affect your daily life. The NHS has some great tips and advice for anyone who suffers with or thinks they may have anxiety.

[Click here for advice for yourself.](#)

[How can I help my anxious child?](#)

FOR STAFF

Some people feel a constant sense of anxiety all the time, without any distinct trigger. Teaching however, can often be a trigger for anxiety as teachers can find that they experience ‘burn out’ where they go through long periods of stress. Sometimes a stressful situation is obvious. Often the stress can be low-level and constant so that you don’t notice it until you start to feel physical symptoms.

[Click here for advice](#)

Click the images for YouTube links.



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[Online wellbeing support for 11 years +](#)



<https://app.ollee.org.uk/>

[ANXIETY RESOURCES WORTH SHARING.](#)

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