

English Martyrs Catholic Primary School

"where everyone is special"

Newsletter 2: 25th September 2017

Welcome to the new Foundation Stage class 2017



Year 6 – Confirmation

Enrolment mass - Sunday 1st October 11am - Enrolment of the Confirmation Candidates at English Martyrs church (all those making their Confirmation with a family member are to attend)

Confirmation - Wednesday 8th November 7pm –Bishop William Kenney (in Church)

Year 3 - First Holy Communion

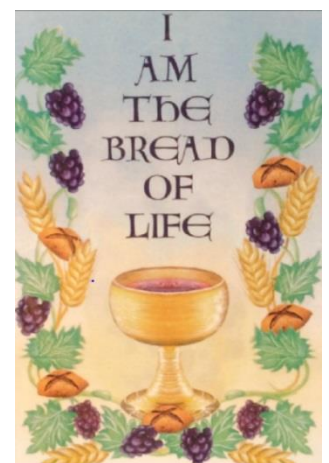
1st Parent Meeting – Tuesday 3rd October 6:30pm (School hall – no children please)

Enrolment mass – Sunday 19th November 11:00am (all those making their FHC with a family member are to attend)

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Tuesday 5th December 6:30pm (in Church)

2nd Parent Meeting – Tuesday 24th April 6:30pm (School hall – no children please)

First Holy Communion – Saturday 9th June 2pm (in Church)



Would you be able to be a Foundation Governor?



Archdiocese of Birmingham

Diocesan Education Service

Are you looking for a way to live out your faith and serve your local community at the same time?

The Birmingham Diocesan Education Service is currently inviting applications from practicing Catholics who would be interested in being appointed as a Director on the Board of a multi Academy Company or as a Foundation Governor or Foundation Representative at an individual school.

Foundation Directors, Governors and Representatives play an important part in maintaining and developing the Catholic character of Diocesan schools.

If you are over 18, have approximately 10 to 12 hours a month free and a genuine interest in supporting Catholic education, then please consider this important role and what you could offer. In return, you will benefit from knowing that you are helping to secure and improve Catholic education in the Diocese.

Whilst not essential, applications would be particularly welcome from individuals who have knowledge and experience in business, finance, HR or with a legal background. But if you don't have any of these specific skills, you may have other qualities that would be beneficial to one of our schools. Training is provided to help individuals carry out the role.

If you think that becoming a Director, Governor or Representative may be for you, or you would just like further information or an informal discussion, please contact Rebecca Tonks, Admissions and Governance Adviser at the Birmingham Diocesan Education Service.

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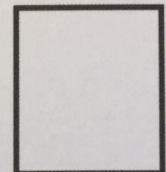
**“Being a
Foundation
Governor means
I can promote
high educational
standards and
ensure the
Catholic Faith is
at the heart of all
we do.”**

***Mystica, St Michael's
Catholic High School***



Are you a practising Catholic? Do you care about Catholic education? Can you commit to 10-12 hours a month?

If the answer to these is yes then you would make a great Foundation Governor at a Catholic School. If you're interested, simply fill in your details below, add a stamp and pop in the post. We'll do the rest and get back to you with more info.



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English Martyrs PTFA

Last year's fundraising events raised a magnificent **£4971** for the school.

All of this money is spent on the children, with last year's purchases including new staging for the hall, instruments, Christmas presents, additional support for school trips, payment of the school Christmas discos and fun days.

We hold events throughout the year. These include cake sales, indulgence evenings, quiz nights, film nights as well as our Christmas and summer fetes. None of this money could be raised without the generous support of parents, family and friends.

Our first PTFA meeting of the year is to be held in the school hall on Tuesday 26th September 7.30pm. We would love to welcome new members to join us for a drink, a quick review of the year and initial planning of events for the coming year. Any help no matter how small is gratefully received.

If you would like further detail please contact clare_pheasant@yahoo.co.uk

Harvest Festival Appeal 2017

The Rugby foodbank is a life changing, community-based project operating in and across Rugby. The foodbank helps individuals and families in crisis through the provision of emergency food supplies donated by churches, schools, local businesses and the general public. We will be collecting items for the appeal listed below and we ask children to bring in their items on Monday 2nd & 3rd October.

The poster features the Rugby Foodbank logo at the top left. The main heading is 'HARVEST APPEAL' in large, bold letters. Below this, it says 'HELP SUPPORT YOUR FOODBANK WITH FOOD AND FUNDS THIS HARVEST'. There are two main sections: 'DONATE FOOD' which encourages donating items from a shopping list to help people in crisis, and 'DONATE MONEY' which explains that funds help cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects. A 'SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS' is provided, identical to the one in the adjacent image. At the bottom, there is contact information for Rugby Foodbank (rugby.foodbank.org.uk) and the Trussell Trust logo.

A handwritten shopping list on a piece of paper. The title is 'SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS' with 'TOP TEN ITEMS' in red. The list includes: UHT milk/dried milk, Tinned vegetables, Coffee/Hot Chocolate, Jam/Marmalade, Tinned Rice Pudding/Custard, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Potatoes/Tomatoes, Tinned Meat/Fish, Pasta/Rice (500g), and Long Life Fruit juice. At the bottom, there is a handwritten note: 'Don't forget... You can help transform more lives with a financial donation too.'

Diary Dates 2017

September

- 26th PTFA AGM 7:30pm in school hall
28th Mass - Foundation Stage/Y1/Y2 9:15am

October

- Sunday 1st 11:00am School leading the mass (Y6)
2nd Final date for deposit (£60) for Y5 Beaumanor Hall Residential
2nd & 3rd Harvest goods are to be brought into school
3rd Y3 First Holy Communion Parent Meeting 6:30pm in School hall
5th Whole School Harvest Mass- led by Year 5 9:15am
12th Mass – Y4 (Y3) 9:15am
16th Youth for Christ Assembly
18th Parent Consultation Meetings 3:45-7:00pm
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19th Mass - Foundation Stage/Y1/Y2 9:15am
20th Bonfire Safety talk for pupils

21st – 27th HALF TERM

November

- 1st Whole School Mass: Holy Day of Obligation 9:15am (Wednesday)
2nd No Mass
8th Confirmation 7pm
9th Mass - Y4 (Y3) 9:15am
10th Y2 Cinema Visit
16th Mass - Foundation Stage/Y1/Y2 9:15am

Sunday 19 th	11:00am School leading the mass led by Year 3
23 rd	Mass - Y5 (Y6) 9:15am
29 th	Non-Uniform Day - bottles for the tombola stall
30 th	Mass - Foundation Stage/Y1/Y2 9:15am
30 th	Key Stage 2 to The Belgrade Theatre to see Cinderella

December

2 nd	Christmas Bazaar 12pm
5 th	Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30pm
7 th	Mass - Y3 (Y4) 9:15am
7 th	Confessions for Year 4 to Year 6 after mass
9 th	Manchester Carols
11 th	Youth for Christ Assembly
12 th	2pm Foundation/Key Stage 1 Production
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14 th	Mass - Foundation Stage/Y1/Y2 9:15am
18 th	Grandparents' Afternoon 1:45pm (Tickets only. Places are strictly for grandparents only. No entry for parents or others permitted)
21 st	Whole School Mass 9:15 led by staff
Friday 22 nd	Carol Service & Presentation 9:30 am (in Church)
22 nd	Last day of Term.

School reopens to pupils on Tuesday 9th January 2018