



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Children and staff have been very busy since returning to school after half term and have enjoyed lots of different activities. Please see <https://www.stpatrickschurchtown.com/class-pages-1/> for more information about your child/ren's learning.

World Children's Day

On the Feast of the Holy Trinity, over 50,000 children from several countries around the globe gathered in Rome's Olympic Stadium to meet Pope Francis. The children reflected with Pope Francis on their importance in the world's future. Peace was the main theme of the event. After watching some of the footage of Pope Francis on World Children's Day, our children have been exploring different ways to promote peace. Please see the class folders on <https://www.stpatrickschurchtown.com/world-childrens-day/> to see some videos that children have created.

Headteacher Award – Loyalty

Our school value for this half term is 'loyalty' and we considered what this means in our assemblies last week. At the end of the week, class teachers chose children who had demonstrated loyalty to receive the Headteacher Award. Well done children!

Amelie F – Rec S	Evangeline R – 1S	Emilia C – 2S	
Elliot L - Rec P	Poppy C-M – 1P	Sandra V – 2P	
Emme D – 3S	Xavier W – 4S	Reggie K – 5S	Oliver G – 6S
Natalia R – 3P	Dayo D – 4P	Joseph D & Joshua P – 5P	Olivia J – 6P

Phonics Screening and Multiplication Tables Check

We are very proud of all the children in Years 1&4 who completed some statutory assessments last week. Children in Year 1 had a Phonics Screening Check and Year 4 pupils completed a Multiplication Tables Check. All the children tried their best and did a great job. The results from these assessments will be shared with children's reports which are sent out towards the end of the term.

Wally Cain Dance Festival

Children from Year 6 participated in the Wally Cain Dance Festival last week and did a tremendous job. The event took place at The Atkinson, with children performing a contemporary dance which symbolised the power of peace and unity. Their performance was outstanding and we are so proud of everyone who took part. Thank you to Mrs Garlick and Mrs Taylor who choreographed the dance and prepared the children so well for the festival. To see a video of the children in action, please visit <https://www.stpatrickschurchtown.com/class-pages-1/>.

Art Exhibition

Lots of children entered the Landscape Competition earlier in the year, creating landscapes using media of their choice. Mrs Palmen and the Art Council organised an Art Exhibition last Wednesday to showcase children's work. The quality of the artwork was incredibly high and it was wonderful to see so many parents and grandparents visiting the exhibition. Many thanks to Mrs Palmen for creating this opportunity for our budding artists. Please refer to <https://www.stpatrickschurchtown.com/news/detail/art-exhibition/> to see some of the children's masterpieces.

Science Day

We had a Science day today with children across school accessing a range of activities and learning about different scientists. Class teachers chose some super scientists to receive the Headteacher Award this week. Congratulations children!

Joshua W-H – Rec S	Freddie F – 1S	Layla G – 2S	
Edward C - Rec P	Micah H – 1P	Joshua S – 2P	
Finlay J – 3S	Logan W – 4S	Disali V – 5S	Teddy E – 6S
Teddy N – 3P	Sabrina M-T – 4P	Matilda T – 5P	Max S – 6P

Sports Days

We were delighted to have our rescheduled Sports Days for KS2 this week and it was fantastic to have so many spectators. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend these events. Children did a terrific job with their races and everyone gave their best. Congratulations to Barlow who were the overall winners. Many thanks to the members of the PTA who have sold drinks and refreshments during each Sports Day and also sold ice pops last Friday after school. To date, the combination of these sales has raised £148 which is fantastic.

Summer Fair

A little reminder that our Summer Fair is on **5th July**. As part of the preparation for this we are having 3 mufti days, the first of which was today. Thank you to everyone who sent sweets into school this morning. The remaining 2 mufti days are on the following dates:

Thursday 27th June – bottles

Thursday 4th July – cakes

Many thanks for your support. Your donations are very much appreciated.

Bikeability

Lots of children in Year 6 took part in Bikeability Level 2 training this week. This involved children learning how to cycle on the road with confidence, focusing on signals, signs and road markings as well as negotiating junctions and crossroads. Children have done a tremendous job. Some of our Year 5 children will be accessing the training next week.

Year 5 Finals

Earlier in the year, children from Year 5 enjoyed an afternoon of problem-solving activities, competing against each other in small groups. The winning team was Emily S, Ophelia F and Isla W from 5P. Yesterday, the girls took part in a competition against other schools and did a fantastic job. They were terrific ambassadors for St Patrick's and we are very proud of them. Well done!

Year 3&4 Mass

Children in Years 3&4 went to Mass last week with Fr John and members of St Patrick's Parish. It was such a lovely celebration, a wonderful way to start the half term. Fr John is due to have a knee replacement operation next week and is in our prayers as we wish him a speedy recovery. With this in mind, we have rescheduled the Year 6 Leavers' Mass for **Tuesday 23rd July at 10.00am**. Parents, friends and family members are welcome to attend this Mass to celebrate Year 6 and pray for the children as they move forward to high school. If you would like to visit Church and attend Mass, please see below for the current weekend Mass times:

St Marie's: 8.30am and 10am on Sunday

St Patrick's: 10am Thursday, 6pm Saturday, 11.30am Sunday

Football Tournaments

We are looking forward to 2 football tournaments over the upcoming weeks. Girls in Years 3&4 are having a 5-a-side football tournament on Friday 28th June. Boys and girls in Year 6 who have not played in the school teams are participating in a tournament with other primary schools on Tuesday 1st July. Good luck everybody!

Healthy Eating Week

The British Nutrition Foundation led Healthy Eating Week last week and each class explored the five themes for 2024: get at least 5 a day, stay hydrated, move more, focus on fibre and reduce food waste. Children talked about how to incorporate these themes into their daily life and enjoyed some quizzes about healthy eating.

School Photographer - First Holy Communion Photographs

A little reminder that the school photographers are in school on **Monday 24th June** to take photographs of children who have made their First Holy Communion recently. They will also be taking photographs of the Reception and Year 6 classes, School and Eco-Councils and the girls' and boys' football teams.

