

Headteacher's Update – 6.6.25

Dear Parents,

Welcome to June and the last half term of this academic year!

Art Competition

We are really looking forward to our extra special St Louis day celebrations which I mentioned in the previous update. We have one or two great entries to the art competition already but if we are going to be able to put on a gallery display for you to visit, we will need many more. Please encourage your children to tap into their creative side and see how they can add to our celebrations. As a reminder:

Children are invited to create a piece of artwork inspired by one of the following:

- Jubilee Year and its logo
- The life of St Louis
- Our school's 80th birthday.

All entries are to be brought into school by Wednesday 11th June.

School Disco

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our school disco, which was a fantastic success and raised an incredible £1,223.53 – that's over £300 more than last year! Special thanks go to Nathalie for her brilliant organisation, to Lamahl for keeping the energy high as DJ, and to all the wonderful helpers who made the event run so smoothly. We're very grateful for your time and enthusiasm. I will be bringing my earplugs next year through!

Year PGL Trip

We wish our Year 6 pupils all the best as they head off on their much-anticipated residential visit to PGL. We hope they have a fantastic time making memories, building friendships, and enjoying all the exciting activities—hopefully with some sunshine too! A huge thank you to the staff accompanying them for their time, care and commitment in making this experience possible.

We will email you when the children arrive at the centre on Monday to let you know they arrived safely and further updates throughout the week.



First Holy Communion

Throughout June, we are delighted to celebrate with our children who are taking their First Holy Communion. This is such a special moment in their faith journey, and we are incredibly proud of each one of them. Once all the ceremonies have taken place, we will be presenting each child with a special prayer card as a keepsake to mark this important milestone. Please keep them in your prayers during this joyful time.

Outside school achievements



I was so pleased to hear of the achievement of Raphaël who won manager's player of the season for his football team this weekend. You should be very proud of yourself – as we are!

We are also super proud of Salome, who received a special award at Stoke Mandeville Stadium in recognition of her bravery and progress in swimming. Her determination to try new skills has truly paid off. I know Mrs Simmons and Ms Fleet will be especially delighted—remembering how hesitant Salome was to even get into the water just a couple of years ago. What an inspiring achievement!



Dates for your diary – Y6 Production and Choir Performance

Please note the following dates:

Year 6 Families (there will be 3 tickets available per child) are invited to join us for the Year 6 Production of The Wizard of Oz. This will take place on **Tuesday 15th July at 6.30pm**. Our traditional annual prize giving will also take place at the end of the evening. More information will follow in due course as to how to purchase tickets, and any help with costumes/ props that may be needed!



Following the success of our choir's performance for you of their Christmas songs, we are delighted to invite the families of children currently in choir to join us for a performance of the songs they have been learning over the Lent and Pentecost terms. Again, there will be an initial limit to three seats available for families of these pupils although you will not require tickets to this event. We look forward to seeing you on **Monday 7th July at 2.30pm**. This will take place in the school hall and you will enter via the main office.

Aktiva after school club

We are very pleased that we are now able to offer on-site after school wrap around care which was something that we had many requests for over the years, but were never quite in a position to be able to put it in place.

If you would like to book a place for your child, it is all done through Aktiva who will also be able to deal with any queries you may have. <https://booking.aktivacamps.com/login>

Pentecost - 8th June

This Sunday marks the celebration of Pentecost, a key moment in the Christian calendar when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples, empowering them to share the message of Jesus. Often seen as the 'birthday of the Church,' Pentecost reminds us of the power of courage, community, and hope. Our Gospel Assembly on Monday will reflect on the impact on the disciples and how we can follow their example as Pilgrims of Hope.

Please see the link to the June edition of the Ten:Ten newsletter which I hope you find helpful.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

Have a wonderful weekend, Mrs Machin





Learning at St Louis



Nursery

We have been learning: about emotions through our book of the week- *Grumpy frog*.

You can help at home by: talking to your child about their emotions and helping them to recognize their own feelings and those of others.

Reception

We have been learning: how to share objects equally.

You can help at home by: encouraging your child to share objects equally between two or three teddies.

Year 1

We have been learning: to apply our phonics.

You can help at home by: practising reading real and nonsense words.

Year 2

We have been learning: to tell the time on an analogue clock.

You can help at home by: practising this at different times of the day by seeing if your child can tell you what the time is.

Year 3

We have been learning: how to tell time to the minute.

You can help at home by: asking your child to tell the time on both analogue and digital clocks, clearly stating the hour and exact minutes.

Year 4

We have been learning: about the properties of shapes in maths.

You can help at home by: asking your child what are the properties of a triangle and to name the 4 types.

Year 5

We have been learning: how to estimate and measure angles.

You can help at home by: asking your child how they would use a protractor to measure angles.

Year 6

We have been learning: about how to stay safe online.

You can help at home by: asking your children what they do to remain safe online

