



St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Primary School






**RE Curriculum Newsletter
Pentecost term
15th April – 19th July 2024**



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As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). Each class will approach the themes through different topics.

<p style="text-align: center;">Pentecost—Serving</p> <p>Yr1 HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit</p> <p>Yr2 SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News</p> <p>Yr3 ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit</p> <p>Yr4 NEW LIFE - To hear and live the Easter message</p> <p>Yr5 TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power</p> <p>Yr6 WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">At home</p> <p><i>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.</i></p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Reconciliation—Inter-relating</p> <p>Yr1 BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well</p> <p>Yr2 RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family</p> <p>Yr3 CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience</p> <p>Yr4 BUILDING BRIDGES - Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other</p> <p>Yr5 FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY – Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible</p> <p>Yr6 HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">At home</p> <p><i>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.</i></p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Universal Church – World</p> <p>Yr 1 NEIGHBOURS – Neighbours share God's world</p> <p>Yr2 TREASURES – God's treasure; the world</p> <p>Yr3 SPECIAL PLACES – Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community</p> <p>Yr4 GOD'S PEOPLE – Different saints show people what God is like</p> <p>Yr5 STEWARDSHIP – The church is called to the stewardship of Creation</p> <p>Yr6 COMMON GOOD – Work of the worldwide Christian family</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">At home</p> <p><i>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.</i></p> 


Early Years Foundation Stage

Pupils in our Early Years Foundation Stage will be introduced to the new Religious Education Directory materials as follows:

Pentecost term 1 – TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH	Jesus went back to His Father. He sent a special friend, the Holy Spirit, to look after us.
Pentecost term 2 – DIALOGUE AND ENCOUNTER	St Peter and St Paul were friends of Jesus. Respect for other faiths.

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Pupils will study various aspects of Islam for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about.

Important dates for the Church this term:	<p>May 9th The Ascension of the Lord. May 19th Pentecost Sunday May 26th The Most Holy Trinity May 30th The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 7th The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus June 29th SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles</p>
Special days this term <u><i>You are welcome to join us for your child's class assembly at 8.30pm.</i></u>	<p>May 2nd 2 St Francis assembly – for parents May 9th 1 St Clare assembly – for parents June 5th Year 6 Retreat Day June 12th Celebration Mass of First Holy Communion children – for parents June 13th 2 St Bernadette assembly - for parents June 20th 1St Francis assembly – for parents July 16th – Year 6 Leavers' Mass – for parents</p>
<p>The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady.</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;">  </div> <p>Try to take some time each day to say a decade of the Rosary with your children.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Hail Mary</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hail, Holy Queen</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Amen.</i></p>