

St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Primary & Pre School



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Dear Parents / Carers,

Term Dates Amendment

Last week you will have received a letter detailing plans for the weekend of Radio 1's Big Weekend. I have made the decision to close school on **Friday 24th May**. This will now be a staff training day. To make up for this, children will return to school on **Monday 3rd June**. More details are in the letter. Please take the time to read the letter in full.

Friday Celebration Assemblies

Each **Friday**, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 take part in **Celebration Assemblies**. During these assemblies classes share work, we celebrate birthdays, award certificates and reflect on the week that has passed.

We would like to invite you to these assemblies and join us in celebrating our amazing children! As with class assemblies you will be let in via the main entrance to the Key stage 1 and 2 halls.

The assemblies start at 8.30 am and will be finished by 9.00 am.

Parents of children who will be awarded a certificate for following our school virtues will receive a text message on Thursday from school inviting them to the assembly to allow you to see your child receive their certificate. It would be great to have you join us. **Please do not share this information with your child as we want it to be a surprise for them on the day!**

Each week a class in each key stage will share some work. **Please note if your child's class is sharing work this does not guarantee your child will be involved in the sharing of the work.** Teachers tend to choose small groups of children.

You are welcome to attend any of the assemblies, even if your child is not receiving a certificate or their class is not sharing. Please note we will have to monitor the number of parents that attend to ensure we are adhering to health and safety requirements; we will always prioritise the parents of children receiving a virtues certificate. Thank you for your support.

Below is a table with information regarding the assemblies. **Please note, due to our Pentecost Term being so busy it is not possible to invite you to all of our Friday assemblies.**

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Northampton
Luton Borough
Council



Date	Key Stage 1 Assembly (Class Sharing Work)	Key Stage 2 Assembly (Class Sharing Work)
3.5.24	1 St Francis	4 St Bernadette
17.5.24	1 St Clare	5 St Clare
7.6.24	2 St Francis	6 St Clare
14.6.24	2 St Bernadette	3 St Clare
5.7.24	1 St Francis	4 St Francis

Tea & Toast

Julie Barnaville our family worker runs Tea and Toast each Wednesday in the Family Room. Come in after dropping your children off to have a chat with Julie and other parents. All are welcome. We do hope you will come along.

St George

Thank you to 2 St Bernadette for a wonderful class assembly this week! The children shared the story of St George, they acted and spoke beautifully. They reminded us that doing a good deed for someone else is reward enough. Can we all try this weekend, to do something nice for someone?

Legion of Mary

This week we were delighted to have visitors from the Legion of Mary, a Catholic group who dedicate themselves to sharing the joy of the Holy Rosary with each other and children in our Catholic schools.

They shared the origins of the Rosary with the children in an assembly and retold the message from Mary regarding the three things to focus on in life:

Belief in God; belief in Redemption (the death and Resurrection of our Lord resulting in the saving of humanity from sin); and eternal life.

Mary, the mother of God, appeared to St Dominic in a vision, told him these things and commanded that the three prayers of the Rosary (the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Glory Be) be said regularly.

The Legion of Mary have kindly donated a set of Rosary beads to each pupil in Year 2 so that they may use them during the year in preparation for their First Holy Communion.

Mary, one of the representatives from the group commented, *"The children in this school are wonderful. They are so quiet, attentive and respectful – it has been a joy to come here."*

Well done everyone!

Diary Dates

Please find below a table with key dates for this term and beyond, please do take note of events that effect you and your child. More information will follow regarding school trips etc.

God bless,
Mr Chiswell

Dates for your Diary

(Please note dates are subject to change and there will be new events added)

Date	Event	Time
Mon 15 th Apr	1 st Day of Pentecost Term for Children	8.15 am
Thurs 25 th Apr	2 St Bernadette Class Assembly	8.30 am
Mon 6th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed	
Thurs 9 th May	1 St Clare Class Assembly	8.30 am
Fri 10th May	Class Photos	
Mon 13 th May – Thurs 16 th May	Key Stage 2 (Year 6 SATs)	
Fri 24th May	School Closed for Staff Training	
Mon 27 th May – Fri 31 st May	Half Term Break	
Mon 3rd June	Start of 2nd Half Term for Children	
Thurs June 13 th	2 St Francis Class Assembly	8.30 am
Mon 17 th June	Maths Monday	8.30 am
Thurs 20 th June	1 St Francis Class Assembly	8.30 am
Thurs 27 th June	EYFS Sports Day	TBC
Fri 28 th June	KS 1 & KS 2 Sports Day	TBC
Tues 2 nd July	Year 6 Production to Parents	1.00 pm
Weds 3 rd July	Year 6 Production to Parents	6.00 pm
Mon 8 th July	Reception Assembly	2.30 pm
Tues 16 th July	Y6 Leavers' Mass @ School with parents	10.00am
Weds 17 th July	Y6 Leavers' Party	5.30 pm – 7.30 pm
Fri 19 th July	End of the School Year	