



Reflection

This Sunday, we hear how something special happened to Jesus after his baptism. The Holy Spirit came down and rested on him.

We receive the Holy Spirit when we are baptised and the Spirit stays with us all through our lives, helping us to do things that are difficult.



Jesus asks us to love other people, to care for people who are sick and to bring good news to people who are poor. This is not always easy, especially when people are in different countries to us. But when we do these things, other people can see the Holy Spirit working through us. What could you do this week so that other people can see the Holy Spirit working through you?

Prayer: God of light, you sent the Spirit down upon your Son so that others might know who he was. Send your Spirit on us, so that we might spread your message of love and peace to others. Amen.

Shared worship

This week, the children in Year 2 – Year 6 led a child

led collective worship for the children at St Joseph's Pudsey and St Stephen's Skipton. They did this confidently and reverently.

Child led collective worship is a priority on our school development plan, but it also helps the children to understand they belong to a community larger than just St Mary's, as part of the Bishop Wheeler Catholic Academy Trust.



Islam Workshop

This week the children in Key Stage 2 learnt all about the Islam religion in a special assembly and Year 3 and Year 4 had workshops too. The children heard Muslim prayers and learnt how Muslim people pray. They also learnt about the 5 pillars of Islam and looked at the artefacts sacred to the Muslim faith.

The children were very respectful and learnt lots about this world religion, another important part of our school development plan this year.

Packed lunches

Please be reminded that children should not be bringing chocolate or sweets into school in their packed lunches. A number of children in Key Stage 2 have been bringing these, they will not be allowed to eat these at school.



NEWSLETTER – 13 January 2023

Year 5 Be Creative

The children in Year 5 had a brilliant morning at St Mary's Menston this week at the Be Creative morning. The teachers at Menston commented on the fantastic behaviour of the children and their great listening.

Allergies

Please be reminded that children must not bring in any food items containing nuts particularly Nutella. We have a number of children with serious nut allergies in school so please check the ingredients in snack bars etc.

Year 5 and Year 6 maths parent workshop

On Monday 16 January at 4pm, Year 5 and Year 6 will have their maths parent workshop via Zoom. We continue to do these parent meetings via Zoom as it allows parents to join from home or to watch the recording at a convenient time. The aim is to show you what maths the children are working on in their year group and how it is taught so you can support your child. We hope you find it useful. If your child is working at another year group level, please feel free to join the one appropriate for your child. Recordings will be added to the parent workshop section of the website at the teacher's earliest convenience.

Topic: Y5 and Y6 maths parent meeting

Time: Jan 16, 2023 04:00 PM London

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83769367590?pwd=U3JkZlhOeG1Yc2ZCR3dhMTdKQnJyUT09>

Meeting ID: 837 6936 7590

Passcode: 390184



Please see in the diary dates below, when your class has their maths parent workshop.

Uniform reminder

Please be reminded of the correct school uniform, particularly shoes. Boots are not permitted for school. Children may not wear jewellery to school. Anyone with pierced ears should wear studs during school time.

- **Make-up or nail varnish is not allowed in school.**
- **Long hair should be tied back with either a discreet headband or clips. These should be of a single colour, blue or white, to complement the school uniform.**
- **Extreme haircuts, hairstyles and hair dye are not allowed.**
- **Jumpers and cardigans must have the school logo on.**

<p>For boys, the uniform is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black shoes and dark coloured socks • Grey trousers • White button-up collared shirt (long or short-sleeved) • School navy blue jumper with logo • School tie (elasticated version for KS1 and self-tie version for KS2) 	<p>For girls, the uniform is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black shoes • White socks or grey tights • Grey skirt/trousers/pinafore (blue gingham dresses may be worn after Easter) • White button-up collared shirt (long or short-sleeved) • School navy blue jumper or cardigan with logo • School tie (elasticated version for KS1 and self-tie version for KS2)
<p>P.E. kit for both boys and girls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black pumps • Royal blue shorts • School white t-shirt with logo 	<p>Games kit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trainers • Plain blue or black jogging bottoms • School logo hoodie (outdoor) • School white t-shirt with logo

Headteacher Awards

Reception – Harriet LB & Enzo M

Year 1 – Maya P & Elias W

Year 2 – Ruby T & Liam T

Year 3 – Sophie C & Noah I

Year 4 – Ruby M & Jackson T

Year 5 – Finlay S & Alice C

Year 6 – Lucy L & Sienna S

Virtue Awards – Friendship

Reception – Jacob C

Year 1 – Jasmine L

Year 2 – Emmie T

Year 3 – Malachy G

Year 4 – Alex T

Year 5 – Tiffany Y

Year 6 – Abigail R

Diary Dates

Please note changes or additions in red.

*denotes parents welcome

January

Monday	16	4.00pm	Year 5 and Year 6 maths meeting via Zoom*
Thursday	19		Year 5 trip
Wednesday	25		Year 4 trip
Wednesday	25	9.30am	Year 3 and Reception class Mass* - change of date
Thursday	26	10.00am	Open the Book
Thursday	26	4.00pm	Year 2 maths meeting via Zoom*
Monday	30	4.00pm	Year 3 and Year 4 maths meeting via Zoom*
Tuesday	31		Year 3 Class Saint Day – St John Bosco

February

Wednesday	1	9.15am	Year 5 class assembly*
Thursday	2	4.00pm	Year 1 maths meeting via Zoom*
Monday	6	4.00pm	Year 5 residential meeting* - change of time
W/B	6		Bikeability Year 5
Tuesday	7	2.00pm	Reception stay and play*
Tuesday	7	4.00-6.30pm	Year 4 parents evening*
Thursday	9	9.15am	Reception class assembly*
Thursday	9	4.00-6.30pm	Year 4 parents evening*
Friday	10	9.15am	Year 1 class assembly*
Friday	10		School closes
Wednesday	22	9.30am	Whole school Mass led by Mini Vinnies*
Sunday	26	11.00am	Family Mass*
Tuesday	28	1.15pm	Open the Book



Parish News

SOLEMN REQUIEM MASS FOR POPE BENEDICT XVI.

Bishop Marcus will celebrate a Solemn Requiem Mass for the late Pope Emeritus at Leeds Cathedral on Tuesday 24th January 2023 at 5.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

ST MARY'S SANCTUARY FLOOR

A recent inspection has proven that the flooring boards on the SM altar need replacing immediately, and work will start on Monday. Therefore, we are unable to have weekday Masses in St Mary's during working hours until the work has been completed. However, the Saturday 10am and Sunday Masses will be unaffected. With not having access to the sanctuary some benches at the front of the church have been moved to the side walls to accommodate a temporary altar. Communion will proceed as usual.

SVP FOOD DONATIONS

thank you to all who generously donate food items to both of our SVP conferences. Items most currently needed are; tea, coffee, long life milk, and foods that require boiled water e.g., instant porridge, noodles, rice/ pasta meals. Thank you. These items are particularly popular at the moment as people are prioritizing warmth over cooking.

VACANCIES

Diocese of Leeds Youth and Lifelong Faith Formation Officer. Salary 25k per annum, 37 hours per week, including some evening and weekend work. For an informal discussion, please contact Kieron Flood, Diocesan Director for Education on 07860773400 or by email kieron.flood@dioceseofleeds.org.uk.

Applications now available. Closing date 20th January 12noon, interviews planned for 31st Jan.

Diocese Of Leeds Music wish to appoint an Assistant Director of the Schools Singing Programme and a Choral Director. Closing Date: 6th February 2023, 5.00 pm. For more information, please request an application pack from: recruitment@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk.

School Vacancies - Cardinal Heenan, Leeds: Business Administrative Assistant. Teaching Assistant with Responsibility for leading on Numeracy. Closing date for both: 23rd January, 9am. For further information website: <https://www.cardinalheenan.com/job-vacancies/>.

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday Vigil)

Holy Name	6.30pm
St. Mary's	8.15am
Holy Name	9.00am
Assumption	9.45am
St Mary's	11.00am
Holy Name	11.15am