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Dear Parents

Y5 Mass - tomorrow, Friday 15th September @ 9.15am

Parents and carers from Year 5 are invited to join us for celebration of Holy Mass tomorrow morning from 9.15am in the school hall.

Catholic Virtues - GRATEFUL AND GENEROUS

This half term, the children and staff at St. Gabriel's are growing to be Grateful and Generous.

Pupils are growing to be GRATEFUL for our own gifts, for the gifts of other people and for the blessings of each day; and GENEROUS with our gifts, becoming men and women for others.



Season of Creation 1st September to 4th October 2023



SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year.

This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer.

Throughout the Season of Creation events will be taking place across the world to celebrate and promote the key message of valuing, caring for and protecting our common home and all who live in it.

The Season of Creation is celebrated by many different Christian denominations as well as people of other faiths as well. In the Catholic Church the Season is inspired by Pope Francis's encyclical 'Laudato Si' and many of the events will be promoted and organised by the Laudato Si Movement which is a worldwide organisation which works to promote the message and ethos of Laudato Si.



Let Justice and Peace Flow

This year the theme for the Season of Creation is 'Let Justice and Peace Flow.' The symbol for this year is a 'Mighty River.'

Prophet Amos cries out "But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!" (Amos 5: 24) and so we are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity.

Attached to this email is a copy of 2023 Season of Creation prayer- A Prayer for Our Earth - which you might want to use at home during the Season of Creation.

Asthma

Over the next week, any child who is on the Asthma Register will be receiving a letter to confirm the asthma plan in place.

Can I just remind you that it is the parent's responsibility to ensure that we have an in date inhaler in school at all times and that spacers are taken home regularly to be washed. Thank you.

X formerly known as Twitter

Please view St. Gabriel's Catholic Primary School at @GabrielsPrimary to see snapshots of various aspects of school life.

Reader of the Week

This week's Readers of the Week are:

1KG	Khloe
1NH	Owen
2LG	Harley
2NT	Thomas K
3CC	Abi
3SO	Tobenna
4HB	Oscar
4LM	Liam
5SM	Jacob C
5VN	Layla
6AC	Haitham
6BF	Minnie



Well Done Readers of the
Week!

Resilience/Independence

Do encourage your child to organise themselves properly each morning. Encourage them to carry their own bag and belongings. Talk to them about organising their belongings, so they are not misplaced. Thank you for your cooperation.

Coats/Jacket

We always like children to get their outside break wherever possible so please can children remember to bring a jacket with them. We are still having some nice days but the weather can be quite changeable at this time of year. Thank you for your co-operation.

Parking

The council have now placed wooden posts on the grass verge on the side of Wilnecote Lane to prevent parking there. You will also note that Staffordshire Police have provided us with some signage to encourage parents and carers not to park on or block Wilnecote Lane and the school driveway.

Please continue to be aware of the need to park responsibly in the local area and around the school. Thank you to the majority of parents who continue to park lawfully and sensibly. Parking is not allowed in front of the school gates, the yellow lines and zig zags are there to stop people parking there and to protect and keep all of our children safe. Please never park up on the footpaths in the surrounding roads. **You are also asked to please show consideration to local home owners and do not block garages and driveways. Please do not become abusive to local home owners.** Parking on the grass verge along Wilnecote Lane has been raised as a COMPLAINT with local police. We have been asked to advise all parents not to do this. Parking on the grass verges is dangerous and causes blockage for neighbours.

Local councillors continue to be involved and taking an active interest because of irresponsible driving behaviour by a small minority. Thank you.

Parking at Belgrave Club

We will notify you once new parking permits are made available to purchase. In the meantime, please continue to display last year's permit.

Please always abide by the club rules:

- Only designated parking spaces are to be used. Do not park in staff spaces.
- Please do not park on the yellow lines, hatched areas, in front of bottle banks
- Please park with care and avoid hitting the perimeter fence when parking
- Please obey the speed limit in the car park at 5 mph
- Please adhere to the one-way system around the car park
- Please do not leave rubbish behind. Rubbish should be taken away and disposed of correctly.
- Children should be supervised at all times.
- Bike/scooters are not permitted to be used on the car park at any time
- Random checks of parking passes will commence after October Half-Term.
Registration numbers of cars without a passes will be recorded.
- Any verbal abuse towards committee, members and staff will not be tolerated
- CCTV in operation.

Dogs on the school grounds

A reminder please that dogs must not be brought beyond the school gates and onto school premises. Dogs are banned from all school grounds because of the danger of toxicariasis in dog waste. This is in line with County Council guidelines. Please respect this request at all times. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 21 st September	St Francis of Assisi Open Evening 6.30pm-9.00pm
Weds 27 th September to	
Fri 29 th September	Alton Castle Trip Year 6
Sun 1 st October	Whole School Mass @ Sacred Heart 9.00am
Fri 6 th October	Open Morning for prospective Reception 2024 parents
Mon 9 th October	Flu Immunisations Reception-Year 6
Tues 24 th October	Parents Evening 3.40pm-5.40pm
Thurs 26 th October	Parents Evening 3.40pm-5.40pm
Fri 27 th October	School finishes for half term
Mon 6 th November	INSET DAY 2
Tues 7 th November	School re opens for pupils

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

God Bless

Yours sincerely



John P Hayes
Headteacher