

St Bede's School Newsletter

10th May 2024

Summer Term Issue 2



Crowning of Mary Liturgy



As May is the month of Mary, this afternoon the whole school came together in the church to honour Our Lady. We began by processing the statue of Mary through the church accompanied by flower girls (*above*) from the school, whose name was Mary (or a derivative of it). We were joined by lots of parents and together reflected upon Mary's life through the joyful mysteries of the rosary. The children sang their hearts out over the course of the liturgy and offered Mary our

Mother, a truly wonderful example of praise. At the end of the liturgy Father John blessed everyone present. He also blessed our Year 6 children who are taking their important SATS tests next week; we wish them every success! Finally Fr John blessed one of our teachers, Mrs Crawford who leaves us today to begin her period of maternity leave. Mrs Crawford is due to have her baby any day soon, so please keep her in your prayers.

Year 1 trip to the Sea-

side—Last week the children of Year 1 visited West Wittering beach (*below*). We had a fantastic day and the sun came out and we had a chance to learn about tides, shells and the different habitats of the animals that live near the sea. We had fun building sandcastles and made art in the sand using seaweed, shells and other things we could find on the beach. Thanks to everyone who came along to help us!

Reported by Mrs Burton

This Sunday's Gospel

John 17:11-19

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us... As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.'

Dates for your Diary

Week Commencing 13th May—KS2 SAT's Week

Tues 14th May—St Genevieve Liturgical Worship at 9.10am in the hall—please join us

Tues 21st May—St Titus Liturgical Worship—9.10am in the hall—please join us



Football News—Our Year 5/6 boys' football team reached the finals of the Basingstoke football league and played at the Vyne school last week. They started out against St John's school (who they had previously beaten) but unfortunately couldn't seem to find their usual form and lost the game in the second half. That meant that they played in the 3rd/4th place game and won comfortably against Bishopswood

school. Third place overall then—well done boys!

Summer is here (hopefully) - As the weather has been lovely this week, the children have enjoyed lunchtimes on the field together. It's great to see them playing in this natural environment and some have shown some wonderful skill by making super long daisy-chains and also using natural materials that they've found to make some artistic creations (*right*).



**This is my Commandment:
That you love one
another as I have loved you**



Have a lovely weekend...

Mr J Carroll

*St Bede's Catholic Primary School,
Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX*