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Dear Parent,

Ss Peter & Paul – Friday, 29th June

We shall be attending Mass on Friday at 10:00am for the feast of Ss Peter & Paul. This feast is a holyday of obligation due to the importance these two men play in the life of our faith and our Church. Please join us for this celebration.

Lourdes 2018

We are all safely returned from our visit to Lourdes. The children enjoyed themselves and appreciated the opportunities that were offered during our 5 day visit. We were blessed with great weather and great company. My thanks to the staff who supported this visit and to Fr Des who led the pilgrimage side of our time away. Thank you to each and every child who participated fully and showed so many new sides to their growing personalities. We thank God for the 'wonder of their beings.'

Asking the right questions ...

Did I offer peace today? Did I bring a smile to someone's face?
Did I say words of healing?
Did I let go of my anger and resentment?
Did I forgive? Did I love?
These are the real questions.

Henri Nouwen

Hot Weather

We are fortunate enough to be blessed with great weather over the next few days. Please ensure that the children have sun protection on them and wear hats to shield them from the intensity of the midday sun. The children are allowed into the hall for periods of shelter and reprieve. They will be drinking plenty of water throughout the day, too.

End of Year Trips – Reminders:

2nd July – Y5/Y6 - Blackwell Court

4th July – Y1 - Think Tank

6th July – Y3/Y4 - Blackwell Court

Monday CHOIR Group

Because of the trip (see above) there will be NO choir after school on Monday 2nd July.

Well Done ...

... to Simon in Y2 who completed a Triathlon last weekend and raised over £500 for charity – his chosen one being the Stroke Society.

Please read the beautifully thought out and well-constructed poem below which was written by Olivia H in Y6. This was a winning entry in a writing competition. It really is excellent – congratulations!

The Silence

The silence. It seems peaceful, doesn't it? Yet many do not notice the struggles that nature has to go through...

In a lake, a fish may be silently choking on a piece of plastic while you are above the surface, noticing nothing. A bird may be silently dying inside a tree while you are on the outside, noticing nothing. A plant may be silently wilting because someone is dripping their fizzy drink on it while you are walking by, noticing nothing.

Yet many people notice other things. A new video game. A new iPhone. A new song on the charts. People are so wound up in technology that they do not notice that they are destroying the world around them.

Someone chops down another tree, we think nothing of it. If someone kills a person, it is all over the news.

We need to open our eyes to these things and work together to make our world a better place.

THANKYOU

Yours sincerely



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