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9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

### Our Value this half term is Friendship

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

**VE Day celebrations** Everyone looked super in red, white and blue today to celebrate and learn more about VE Day. Please do talk to your children about the traditional games and activities that they have enjoyed this afternoon.

We will be taking part in **Walk to School Week** this year, from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. We all know the health benefits of walking so please help us this week to reduce congestion by supporting children in being more active and help reduce lower carbon emissions during this Walk to School Week. We would like to encourage all our pupils to try and walk, cycle or scoot to school during this week. If it's not possible to walk all the way, then it would be great if you could park 10 minutes away from school and walk or scoot the last part of your journey.

**Please be aware** that children should not be playing football on the playground or field or climbing on the equipment in KS1 or KS2 playgrounds before school starts or at the end of the day for everybody's safety. We know it can be tempting for them but would appreciate your help in not allowing your children to play there. Thank you.

**Parking at school for collection from clubs** Please be aware that on some afternoons we have multiple clubs running and that parking after 3:30pm is on a first come, first served basis. Please be considerate of others by not parking between cars and blocking the way in/out of school. Thank you.



### Safety Online Simplified 2

**Parental controls** have been designed to help you manage your child's online activities. There are various types, some of which are free but others which can be bought. However, nothing is totally fool proof so this shouldn't replace the support and guidance you give your child to help keep them safer. For more information and step by step instructions on setting up parental controls, visit [Parental Controls & Privacy Settings Guides: Internet Matters](#)

#### Achievements

Each week we will be focusing on a learning behaviour and one or two children who display this behaviour in each class will receive a certificate in celebration of this. Our learning behaviour this week has been **Independence**.

Congratulations to:

**YR:** Dominic; **Y1:** Esmail; **Y2:** Hubert; **Y3:** Ethan; **Y4:** Rebecca; **Y5:** Alexander & Kevin; **Y6:** Isabelle.

Next week we will be focusing on **Listening**.

#### Sporting Achievements

The **Year 5 Netball team** played a very enjoyable match away against Ashtree School last Friday and won 4-2! Congratulations to everyone who took part.

The **Year 6 Netball team** and **Mixed Football Team** are playing home matches this afternoon and we look forward to hearing how they get on.

#### House points

We are keeping a weekly tally of the number of House points each House has as well as a running total.

The overall total number of points so far this year for each House is:

St Francis:	2876
St Andrew:	2670
St Catherine:	2607
St Clare:	2591

**Y4 Maths Challenge** On Tuesday four of our Y4 children took part in a Maths Challenge against other Y4 pupils across Hertfordshire. They had to use a wide range of Maths skills and did really well; we are all proud of them for taking part.

**Class photos** should be available to buy online early next week and you will have two weeks in which to order them from the day they go online. Children will have brought home details of how to view and order the photos yesterday or today.

Have a good weekend! **Mrs Collins**

Learning, Loving, Living in God's Family

*"But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love forever and ever." Psalm 52:8*

## ***Diary Dates***

- **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May** – 3:30pm PGL meeting for parents and carers (Y5/6)
- **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** – Walk to School Week
- **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May** – Half Term
- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – INSET Day – **school closed**
- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June** – Y5/6 Residential
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June** - 2:30pm Transition Workshop in the school hall for parents and carers
- **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June** – Summer Fete after school
- **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** – Open Evening
- **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July** – Secondary Transfer and Moving Up Day
- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July** – Y6 Production
- **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** – Y6 Production
- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports Day
- **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – pm Y6 Leavers' Service
- **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – Last Day of Term – Early finish 1:30pm