



IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM



The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(9th May)

After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days. Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

(19th May)

This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

(26th May)

Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

(2nd July)

On this feast we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

(7th July)

On this day we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

SS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

(30th June)

We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SUMMER TERM 2024

COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Islam.

PENTECOST—SERVING (10TH APRIL-3RD MAY)

Early Years	Branch 4
Year 1/2	HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit
Year 3/4	ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Year 4/5	TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power
Year 6	WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING (7TH MAY-14TH JUNE)

Early Years	Branch 5
Year 1/2	BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well
Year 3/4	CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience
Year 4/5	FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible
Year 6	HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD (24TH JUNE -19TH JULY / ISLAM 17TH JUNE -21ST)

Early Years	Branch 6 / Wider Faith
Year 1/2	NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world
Year 3/4	SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community
Year 4/5	STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation
Year 6	COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.