



Platinum Jubilee

This last week we have celebrated the Platinum Jubilee at St Francis' by taking part in a variety of fun activities to commemorate the Queen's 70th year as a monarch.

The Queen has ruled for longer than any other monarch in British history, becoming a much loved and respected figure across the globe. Known for her sense of duty and her devotion to a life of service, she has been an important figurehead for the UK and the Commonwealth.

To celebrate this, we went to mass and had a non-uniform day where we all wore red, white and blue and even managed to get a picture of everyone in the school making the shape of a 70.

In addition to that we sang for our lunch a medley of traditional songs as well as the national anthem, just before having our *al fresco* lunch: a Jubilee picnic/ street party.



Important Dates

RSHE/Wellbeing week
WB 20th June 2022

International fortnight
WB 20th June 2022

EYFS sports day
22nd June 2022

KS1 Sports day
23rd June 2022

KS2 Sports day
24th June 2022

International evening
1st July 2022

EYFS Parent
Conference Meetings
4th July 2022

Parent conference meetings
Y1 to Y6
6th and 7th July 2022

'Y6 Leavers' Production
8th July 2022

Y1-Y5 end of year visits
12th July 2022

Y6 Leavers' ceremony
14th July 2022

End of school year
15th July @ 2pm

Maths Market Week

The theme for this year's Maths Market Week was the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The children used their calculation, reasoning and problem-solving skills to overcome challenges throughout the week. After designing and making a product, they took them to the market to sell. Fun was had by all and it enabled the children to see the value and importance of maths skills in everyday life.



Catholic Schools' Citizenship awards

On Friday 13th May 2022, four pupils representing the Junior Leadership Team at St Francis', journeyed to Brentwood Cathedral where they joined pupils from 57 other schools in the Catholic Schools' Citizenship Awards.

This was an event where schools across the diocese of Brentwood celebrate the achievement of pupils who display outstanding awareness of good citizenship. The service, celebrated by Bishop Alan Williams, SM, gave the pupils an insight into how others, like themselves, live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which requires us to "love our neighbour as ourselves".



Ascension Mass



On Thursday 26th May we celebrated Ascension Mass and this year it was even more special as it was the very first time that the whole school from Reception to Year 6 were able to attend mass together.

The youngest children were paired up with the older children who looked after them on the way

there and back but most importantly, guided them through the service.

It was really heart warming to see children guiding other children in the beginnings of their journey in faith.



Going for Gold

To all pupils who have been on Gold since 25th April 2022

Well done



Attendance for the this half term:

Gold: 1K with 98.2%
Silver: 1E and 5R with 96.6%
Bronze: 4K with 96.2%

Attendance **must** be 100% because **any** absence affects children's learning and the more they miss the harder it will be for them to catch up.

Brilliant Club

On Tuesday 17th May, the Brilliant Club attended a Graduation Event to celebrate their hard work on The Scholars Programme. The Graduation Event took place at Selwyn College, University of Cambridge. The pupils had a tour of the university with current students, an Information,

Advice and Guidance session followed by an opportunity to celebrate their achievements in a graduation ceremony.

We are incredibly proud of their achievements and hope it inspires them to pursue their goals in the future.

