



## Value of the month – Peace

### Dear Parents and Carers

#### May is the Month of Mary

Thank you to everyone who donated the beautiful flowers for our 'Crowning of Mary' Liturgy. In his Gospel, Luke tells us that Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. It be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her (Luke 1:38). In May, we remember Mary. All Gabriel needed was Mary's answer. Knowing that God had chosen her, because of her faith she knew that she would be able to do what He asked of her. We look up to Mary because through all our questions and doubts, we are reminded to have faith and to rest assured that God will always look after us. This is the perfect time to come together and to pray the **rosary**, or part of it (perhaps a decade) each week. [www.teachingcatholickids.com](http://www.teachingcatholickids.com) explains clearly what the mysteries are for each decade, and also explains the order of the prayers used when praying the rosary



#### Coronation Fun

As part of our Coronation celebrations, we had a range of activities across the school. Key stage 2 had Bhangra Dance and South African Gum Boot Dancing, led by Wise Move Dance Company. Keystage 1 had a Professional Storyteller visiting each class. In addition, there were a variety of activities that the children enjoyed in class such as Crown Making, designing a Coat of Arms, and using CIPHERING to design their initials. We also enjoyed a delicious picnic outside in the sunshine.



#### Litter Picking in the Community

Well done to the many local volunteers, including our families, who blitzed Caterham and helped keep our streets clean. A worthwhile community project.



#### Online Safety

Parents may find this link useful <https://www.internetmatters.org>. The site has a wealth of information to support keeping your children safe online.

Wishing everyone a lovely Bank Holiday Weekend,  
Mrs Wheeler and Staff

## Half Term Holiday Suggestion: 150th Anniversary of our diocesan Cathedral in Arundel – The Cathedral church of Our Lady and Saint Philip Howard.

This year marks the 150th Anniversary of our diocesan Cathedral in Arundel – The Cathedral church of Our Lady and Saint Philip Howard. In school we shall be learning the story of one of the patron saints of the Cathedral – Saint Philip Howard and his faithful dog.

If you are thinking of having days out in the half term holiday it would be a wonderful opportunity to visit our Diocesan Catholic Cathedral and learn more about this incredible and beautiful building. The children can learn about its history and also the role it plays in our diocese and worship. A visit would allow them to discover more about its architecture and how awe and wonder are fostered through its beautiful paintings, stained glass and statues. They can view the beautiful painting by Jan Van Eyck and the Rose window and learn more about who they depict. The children can also visit the tomb of Saint Philip Howard and learn more about the life of this brave man of faith. The Friends of the Cathedral have produced a virtual tour of the Cathedral with information points. Please find the link <https://arundelcathedral.uk/arundel-cathedral-virtual-tour>

<b>Calendar Dates</b>	
<b>8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday Kings Coronation</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 1 -Gatton Park Trip Year 4- Woldingham Activity Day Trip</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 3 - Frylands Woods Trip</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 PTA Spring Disco</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Computing Workshop for Parents 6pm-7.30pm</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> May &amp; 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Skateboarding and Scooting Day (Details to follow)</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>Bikeability Week Year 6</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Half Term Break</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Reception -Bocketts Farm</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 5- Science Observatory</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Class Photographs</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 6 – Residential trip to Kingswood</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sports Day</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>PTA Summer Fayre (Details to Follow)</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Inset Day (School Development Plan (SDP) -<b>School Closed to Pupils.</b></b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 2- Wildlife Centre</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Reserve Sports Day</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> July &amp; 13<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 6 – End of Year Performances</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 6 – Leavers Disco</b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> July - confirmed</b>	<b>Y6 Leavers Mass at Sacred Heart Church</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Year 6 - Leavers Assembly @9.30am</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>School Finishes @ 1pm for the Summer Break</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>School Opens For The New Academic Year</b>

