



Welcome back to the summer term! It has been an interesting start to the term with two of our leadership team, Mrs Bowyer and Miss Pickerill stranded in China as a result of the volcanic dust. They were taking part in a DCSF and LA research project linking with Chinese schools. They will be hopefully back with us ready for the start of week 3 when they will be presenting an assembly on their travels and findings to all of us. This is planned for Friday 7th May in the school hall. We will of course confirm this nearer time when we are sure they are on their way home!

Thank you
A big thank you goes out to you for all your support in the last week of the Easter term. Our Easter assembly was lovely and the spirituality respected by the peace in the audience. Our first Easter bonnet parade highlighted the hard work and artistic talent of all those who

took part. It was a fantastic display which the children thoroughly enjoyed. We would request that next time members of the audience keep their conversation for after the childrens performances or take them outside so the children's hard work can be appreciated.

SATS News
As you are probably aware the NAHT and NUT unions' ballots to boycott the SATS was a yes to industrial action. We have not yet heard what they will be requesting schools to do. I will be attending a meeting next week with other Heads from Stoke on Trent and the NAHT to look at the matter. Whatever the decision, we would like to reassure Year 6 parents that assessment in some form will continue within school and your child's results will still be reported to you at the end of the year and forwarded on to the relevant high schools as usual. We ask for your support as we as a profession look to improve the standard of education

of our children in the long term and remove the stress which accompanies the SATS to both children and staff.

Mad Science Club
We are lucky to be able to host an after school club run by mad scientist Magnetic Martin. We had a very exciting assembly to launch the club this week, which on this occasion is for KS2. The club will start on 12th May and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. There is a weekly charge of £2.00 per child which is being subsidised by the school. The letter went out this week and we urge you to return it with the consent signed as soon as possible.

Diary Dates
7th June - Good Shepherd Mass at 7.00pm at St Teresa's Catholic Church.
13th June - First Holy Communion Mass in church
21st June - KS2 sports day at 1.15 - 1.30pm weather permitting!!
23rd June - KS1 sports day at 1.15 - 1.30 pm, again weather permitting!

Housepoints

This week our house teams scored:

St Andrew - 200

St David - 151

St George - 169

St Patrick - 305

Congratulations to St Patrick

Stars of the Week!

St Mary's - Franciszek Dudek

St Nicholas - Luke Wheawell

St Therese - Ryan Simms

St Christopher - Chloe Davies

St Maximillian - Travis Barker

St Martin's - Lewis Phillips

St Anthony's - Ethan Majer

Well done you!

100% Attender of the Week

Class with best attendance

Year 4/5