St John's NEWSHOUND

April 27th 2018

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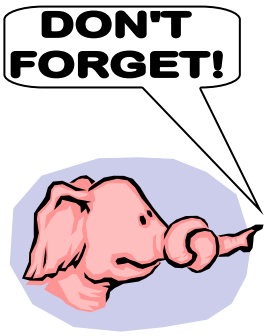

Dates for your Diary

Monday 7th May—Bank holiday
Thursday 10th May—Photographs for Year 4
Monday 14th May—SATs begin for Year 6
Wednesday 16th May— Crowning of Mary at Gl. Rd. at 2p.m. —all welcome
Friday 25th May—Half-term begins
Monday 4th June—School opens
Saturday 30th June—First Communion Mass (Y4) 6.30p.m. at St. John's Church

During the Easter holidays, a meeting was held with representatives from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) and the Diocese. The "unique" issues of both sites were observed and discussed at length! The ESFA will be leading on the project and are hoping to start building works in June 2019.

Well done to our Year 6 pupils for the successful visit to Maple Court. The residents enjoyed meeting the children and we've received lots of compliments about the way in which the pupils engaged with the residents.

Congratulations to Madeleine Boyle, Josie Green, Owen Kirkham, Sasha Mizzi and Ryan Povey who were confirmed last Saturday. Please remember them in your prayers.

Assembly Theme
St. George

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

The government allocates additional funding to schools in the form of "Pupil Premium" based upon the numbers of children claiming Free School Meals. This money can be used by schools to employ staff, offer financial support to families in relation to trips etc. We are asking all parents who are entitled to claim do so, as this extra money can make a real difference. Children who are eligible for Free School Meals do not have to have a school dinner if they do not wish to but the school will still receive the funding and the family be offered financial support for trips.
In order to claim Free School Meals a parent/carer must be claiming one of the following benefits:

- Income Support,
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance,
- Income based Job Seekers allowance,
- Child Tax Credit (Parents are not eligible if Working Tac Credit is being received and the annual combined income assessed by HMIR on a TC602 is not above £16,190)
- Universal Credit
- The Guarantedd Element of Pension Tax Credit
- Asylum Seeker under VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999