

The Friday Messenger

7th Sunday of Easter
Friday May 10th

Our curriculum themes are:

- Year 1: *To the Ends of the Earth*
- Year 2: *To the Ends of the Earth*
- Year 3: *To the Ends of the Earth*
- Year 4: *To the Ends of the Earth*
- Year 5: *Life in The Risen Jesus*
- Year 6: *The Work of The Apostles: The Transforming Spirit*



Year 1	Year 2
This week, Year 1 created their own art work of the Holy Spirit using the ideas from last week's lessons. We looked at how artists and musicians around the world celebrate the work of the Holy Spirit and the mystery of the Trinity. The children then explored how Catholics celebrate the Ascension of Jesus and Pentecost on special days called holydays.	Within RE this week we continued with the unit 'To the ends of the Earth'. Our focus this week was the Holy spirit. We started off by looking at how the Holy spirit can help. After a class discussion, we recorded our ideas with pictures that represent each of our ideas. After that we looked at the symbols of the Holy Spirit, we decided what the symbols would have been and then found out why they are symbols of the Holy Spirit.
Year 3	Year 4
Year Three have been thinking about the meaning of the Trinity this week. They looked at symbols of the Trinity. They then considered when the Trinity is mentioned in Mass. They learnt to pray the Glory Be in sign language and then wrote about what each part of the Trinity represented and why we make the sign of the cross before and after a prayer.	In our first lesson this week, Year 4 discussed what the words 'apostleship' and 'stewardship' meant. We then looked at the Parish of Sacred Heart and St Oswald website, in particular, the volunteer section. The children were then asked a question, "How do you think you could help your local community and Catholic Church?" We discussed this and looked at the opportunities for volunteering in the local parish. For the activity, the children had to create a poster for the Parish to persuade people to volunteer. For our second lesson, we looked at the logos for three charities: CAFOD, St Vincent de Paul Society and Missio. We watched video clips for each charity, introducing their aims, values and what they did for the global community. The task for this lesson was to research one of the charities using an iPad and answer three questions: Where, when and why was this charity started? What does this charity do for people in need? How does this charity continue the work of Jesus?
Year 5	Year 6
This week Year Five worked together to try and make links with 'Inspirational People' over time and 'Life in the Risen Lord'. They talked about what 'inspiration' means and what type of person is inspirational. We linked this to the fruits of the Holy Spirit and looked into the seven fruits of the Holy Spirit. In groups, we displayed which fruits we felt were displayed by various inspirational people we knew of. We know that Jesus is at work in the church today because we have these people with us meeting these qualities.	This week, the children looked in-depth at the transformation that took place in Paul and reflected on how his teaching can help us. They did this by using two pages in their books entitled 'Saul' and 'Paul'. Under those headings, they then compared the two 'people' and articulated the differences and similarities. The activity was concluded by thinking about how Paul can help us today.

Gospel Values This month's value is... Service	Action! In this Sunday's Gospel (John 17:11-19) Jesus goes back to heaven to be with his Father. Jesus sends his disciples out into the world just as God had sent Jesus into the world. Jesus wants us to go out into the world and share his love. There is an activity sheet attached to complete which is linked to the Gospel.
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Dear Lord, we thank You for Your mighty power. Lord, we thank you You because You rose to life! During this Easter season, we pray that we will recognise and appreciate what You did for us on the cross so that we could have eternal life. Therefore, we pray that everyone will receive the message of Easter, which is the love of God. Amen