



Reflection



This Sunday Jesus tells us that he is the living bread which has come down from heaven. That anyone who eats this bread will live forever.

He goes on to say that the bread he gives is his flesh, and that whoever eats his flesh and drinks his blood lives in him and he lives in them.

Every time we come to Mass, the bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Jesus. And we come to share in it, even if we only have a blessing, welcoming Jesus into our lives.

As our Year 4 children prepare to make their First Holy Communion this Saturday, we remember now how very special the bread at Mass is, because it becomes Jesus' body. We look forward to Year 4 taking part in this special meal with the whole parish community on Saturday and for the rest of their lives.

Please keep our Year 4 children in your prayers who will be making their First Holy Communion on Saturday 10th June.

Trinity Sunday

We have received wonderful feedback from parents and our parish about the children who sang at Trinity Sunday with Mrs Stow last weekend. Thank you to all who were able to attend and to Mrs Stow who leads our liturgical singing brilliantly.

Online Safety

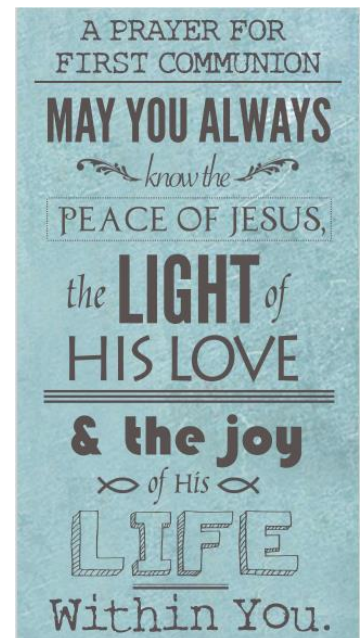
Please find attached a guide about what parents and carers need to know about OMETV to keep your children safe online.

Packed lunches

Please make sure packed lunches do not contain sweets, chocolate bars or **anything containing nuts**. **We have a number of children with severe nut allergies**. Please also make sure your child is bringing water only to school. We are aware of a number of children bringing juice into school in metal bottles. We are a healthy school so please support us with these requests.

Uniform Sale

We have a large amount of non-uniform that has not been claimed which will be sorted and put for sale on **Friday 16th June from 3pm** outside the school office. Parents are asked to make a donation for any uniform they would like to purchase.



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School Disco

The PTA have kindly funded the school disco on **Wednesday 19th July** this year so there will be no cost to parents. Children should come to school in party clothes/non uniform.

We thank the PTA for all their continuing fundraising which has supported the school this year with the cost of trips therefore reducing the cost for parents and allowing school to enrich the curriculum at a time of significant cost of living issues for parents but also a funding crisis for school.

Free School Meals

All children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 at a state funded school or academy, automatically get free school meals through the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme.

If you receive benefits and your child already gets Universal Infant Free School Meals, you should still register for free school meals. This is so school can claim funding to support your child at school. This is called Pupil Premium. This money is used to fund additional support in school for your child,

Children in Year 3 or above, are only eligible for free school meals if their parents or carers are entitled to benefits, and they make an application for free school meals.

Children who receive free school meals in primary school will still get them when they move to secondary school.

You can apply for free school meals [here](#).

Health week

The week beginning 19th June, is our annual health week. During this week we are going to focus on having a healthy mind, body and spirit as well as having lots of fun!

The children will come to school wearing sportswear instead of school uniform Monday -Thursday, then on Friday they will wear school PE kit for sports day. Please also ensure that your child has a water bottle each day, a sunhat and that sun cream has been applied before school. Children may bring their own sun cream into school in the event of hot weather but will need to apply it themselves.

There are a variety of activities booked across the week for the children to enjoy, such as: dance with Miss Natalie, cricket, orienteering and a 135ft inflatable. Mrs Pounder will be joined by our Sports leader running an Olympic carousel, MVMNT are hosting our multi skills sessions as well as Mr Lewandowski organising a range of year group games. It's going to be a fun packed week!

On Thursday the 135ft inflatable will be on the school field and each class will have a session on it. We ask that parents and carers to ensure children do not play on this before and after school for health and safety reasons.

At St Mary's we love to celebrate all the amazing sporting achievements that everyone is involved in both in and outside of school. We would love to see pictures of any sporting activities / achievements that our children, parents and staff have accomplished in the past year. If you would like to join us in celebrating your talents then please send a picture to award@stmaryshorsforth.org by **Monday 12th June**. We will then display these pictures in a video during Health Week, for all to see and celebrate as a school.

Headteacher Awards

Reception – Emma B & Jude McK

Year 1 – Austin S & Jasmine L

Year 2 – Jesse McC & Harry E

Year 3 – Noah I & Alfie T

Year 4 – Amos McC & Amber T

Year 5 – Alice C & Bay W

Year 6 – Ava Q & Isaac P

Virtue Awards – Trust

Reception – Harriet LB

Year 1 – Melody G

Year 2 – Grace H

Year 3 – George JG

Year 4 – Freya W

Year 5 – Seth H

Year 6 – Eve R

Diary Dates

Please note changes or additions in red. *denotes parents welcome

June

Saturday	10		Year 4 First Holy Communion
W/b	12		Phonic Screening Check Y1
Wednesday	14		Year 6 heart dissection workshop
Wednesday	14		Year 2 skipping festival
Thursday	15		Year 4 sports trip to high school
Friday	16		Uniform sale
W/b	19		Health week
Monday	19	3.45pm	New Reception stay and play*
Tuesday	20	9.30am	New Reception session
Wednesday	21		Year 3 farm visit
Thursday	22	10.00am	Open the Book
Thursday	22	9.30am	New Reception session
Friday	23	9.15am	Reception Sports Day*
Friday	23	10.30am	Year 1 and Year 2 Sport's Day*
Friday	23	1.00pm	Year 3 and Year 4 Sport's Day*
Friday	23	2.15pm	Year 5 and Year 6 Sport's Day*
Monday	26		Year 4 farm visit
Tuesday	27	9.15am	Year 3 class assembly*
Wednesday	28		Year 2 farm visit
Thursday	29		Year 1 class trip
Thursday	29		Year 2 Class Saint Day – St Peter
Thursday	29	9.30am	Whole school Mass led by Year 6*
Friday	30	9.15am	Year 4 class assembly*

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July

Tuesday	4		Year 2 class trip
Tuesday	4		Year 3 class trip
Thursday	6	9.15am	Year 2 class assembly*
Friday	7	2.30pm	Summer fundraiser*
Monday	10		Year 5 class trip
Wednesday	12		Moving up morning
Wednesday	12	2.00pm	Year 6 production*
Thursday	13		Moving up morning
Friday	14		Reports to parents
Monday	17	9.15am	Meet the new class teacher*
Wednesday	19		School disco – non uniform
Tuesday	18	2.00pm	Leavers' Mass*
Thursday	20	9.15am	Leavers' assembly*
Friday	21	9.30am	Whole school Mass*
Friday	21		School closes

Parish News

LEEDS CITY OF SANCTUARY

Mon 19th June from 5-7.30pm at the Leeds Playhouse. After a few dormant years Leeds City of Sanctuary is now active again. As well as celebrating awards there will be lots in international food and music, poetry, stories, an update on the current situation people seeking sanctuary are facing and what we can do together to help. I really hope you can join us there.

PARISH CELEBRATION OF GOD'S CREATION

Sunday June 25th 2-5 pm. Holy Name Hall. Fun activities; cake, scones and strawberries; chance to handle birds of prey. A great chance for a get together. Have you decided yet what you are going to contribute to the display? You can leave your contribution in the special box at the back of each church on the weekends 11th/12th or 18th/19th June. Remember to label it in some way with your name (age is optional). Full details on the flyer.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY FUND RAISER

An Afternoon Tea will be held at Holy Name Hall on Sunday, 2 July 2023 from 3.30 pm in aid of the new, Catholic, primary school being built in Nekemte, Western Ethiopia by Father Melaku (Verona Fathers/Comboni Missionaries), who is based in Horsforth. The first stage of the school is scheduled to open in September. Tickets: £10 for adults and £3 for children up to 11. These will be on sale after all Masses on 11, 18 and 25 June 2023. Please come and support the children of Ethiopia. Any queries, please phone 0113 225 3474.

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday Vigil)

Holy Name	6.30pm
St. Mary's	8.15am
Holy Name	9.00am
Assumption	9.45am
St Mary's	11.00am
Holy Name	11.15am