



The Prayer

A Mother's Love

*There are times when only a mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.*

*There are times when only a mother's love
Can share the joy we feel*

*When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.*

*There are times when only a mother's faith
Can help us on life's way*

*And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.*

*For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
And a mother's steadfast love*

*Were fashioned by the angels
And sent from God above. Amen.*



'Well Done'



*to the following pupils who received
special awards this week:*

Reception – Faith, Olivia T, Anthony

Year 1 – Imogen, Bam, Remi

Year 2 – Beatrice, Martha, Luna

Year 3 – Pearl, Sidney, Jamie

Year 4 – Oscar, Liza, Miss Pratley

Year 5 – Cayzer, Frankie, Emma

Year 6 – Sam, Edie, Anthony

Message from the Headteacher

This week has been one of our busiest on record. On Saturday, the KS2 choir performed at Chipping Norton Music Festival and they were amazing! The adjudicator commented on our 'sweet-toned atmospheric singing' and awarded us a distinction. We have also been invited to perform again at the final Festival Concert a week on Saturday which is a huge honour. The children worked with great dedication to prepare for the festival, and we were all extremely proud of their confident performance.

As you know OFSTED came visiting Monday and Tuesday. Thank you to all the parents who completed the parent view survey. The report should be published around the end of April/beginning of May. A huge thank you to the staff and governors who continue to work tirelessly, but a special thank you must go to the children who were wonderful ambassadors for the school.

We welcomed two artists from 'Artburst' on Tuesday and Wednesday who worked with every child in the school to create parts for our whole school sculpture in preparation for the Kingham Sculpture Exhibition. Using all recycled materials, the children created the parts to make a dove (our school emblem) which will be assembled by the artists and unveiled at the exhibition in May. It's hard to know who enjoyed it more – the children, or the artists who were amazed at the skills, enthusiasm and excellent behaviour of our pupils

On Wednesday, Year 2 and 3 took part in a Multi-Skills Festival at Chipping Norton School. The children took part in an assortment of activities that enabled them to develop skills such as their agility, stamina and ball handling. The children worked collaboratively with other schools from the Sports Partnership and were led by the Sport Leaders from the Sixth Form. It was a delight to see them represent the school and they were commended for their excellent demonstration of the sport values.

As you know, it is Mother's Day on Sunday and Reception class put on a wonderful and emotional Mother's Day assembly. They painted pictures of their mummies and gave them each a flower, there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

The week was finished off with a wonderful St Patrick's Day assembly by Year 2. They celebrated in style and performed to their parents in honour of their class saint, telling the story of St Patrick and singing a traditional song. They also dressed in green for the day.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Our Week in Photos





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Dear parents and parishioners,

The Pope Francis Catholic Multi Academy Company (PFMAC) believes that each person is a unique creation made in the image and likeness of God, called by name with a special vocation and gifts to bring to the world. We seek to develop these talents in each individual by being a beacon for Catholic education in Oxfordshire.

This is our vision, and I am writing to invite you to consider being a part of delivering this vision by joining our Board of Directors. Our directors are committed volunteers who through their Catholic faith and professional experience benefit the children within our schools. Appointed by the Archbishop of Birmingham they are accountable to him, the Members (Diocesan Trustees), the Secretary of State for Education and the wider community for the quality of the education provided to students and for the appropriate expenditure of public money. The Board holds ultimate legal accountabilities for all aspects of operational delivery of the PFMAC and is required to have systems to assure themselves of the quality, safety and good practice of the affairs of the PFMAC.

We are currently recruiting several new Directors who will strengthen the Board and help us drive forward our vision. We are looking for committed Catholics who will serve our community by bringing their professional experiences to the Board and can think strategically. We are particularly recruiting people with skills in the following areas: human resources, governance and risk management, finance and audit, operations, health and safety, educational standards and strategic leadership. However, any professional experience would be helpful, and we are keen to hear from people with a variety of skills and experience.

Moreover, we are committed to diversifying the membership of our Board so that it reflects the communities we serve. We would therefore like to encourage expressions of interest from groups which are currently underrepresented including women and people from a variety of ethnic and cultural backgrounds. Candidates will be recommended for appointment based on their skills, experience and potential contribution to the Board.

Chair of The Board of Directors: Mr Paul Concannon

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Spring/Summer Term	
Monday 20 th - Friday 24 th March	Shakespeare Week - UKS2
Tuesday 21 st March	Chipping Norton Literary Festival - Years 1 & 4
Wednesday 22 nd - Wednesday 29 th March	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday 28 th March	Easter Production - Years 3 & 4
Thursday 30 th March	Easter Mass - Whole School - Finish at 12.05pm
Thursday 30th March	School closes for Easter at 12.05pm
Friday 31 st March	INSET
Tuesday 18 th April	Reception Vision Screening
Thursday 20 th April	Year 1 Trip to the Cotswold Wildlife Park
Friday 21 st April	PTA Quiz Night and Curry (Adults Only)
Friday 5 th May	King's Coronation Lunch
Monday 8 th May	Coronation Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9 th - Friday 12 th May	SATs Week
Thursday 18 th May	Kingham Sculpture Trail
Saturday 20 th May	PTA Sponsored Run for the King's Coronation
Monday 22 nd May	Whole School & Whole Class Photos
Wednesday 24 th May	Science Day
HALF TERM	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June
Monday 5 th - Friday 9 th June	Year 6 Yenworthy Residential
Sunday 11 th June	First Holy Communion
	PTA Summer Fete
Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th June	Assessment Week
Monday 12 th - Wednesday 14 th June	Year 4 Everdon Residential
Thursday 15 th June	Year 3 Trip to Ufton Court
Thursday 22 nd June	Year 2 Trip to the British Motor Museum, Gaydon
Friday 23 rd June	Reception Trip to the Oxford Story Museum (NEW)
Friday 30 th June	Sports Day (Change of Date)
Thursday 6 th July	Year 6 Transition Day at CNS (NEW)
Friday 7 th July	Year 6 Transition Day at CNS (NEW)
	Move Up Day (NEW)
	PTA Disco
Thursday 13 th July	Year 6 End of School Production - 6pm
Thursday 20 th July	End of Year Mass & Memories - Whole School
Thursday 20th July	School closes for the Summer at 12.05pm