## St Bede's School Newsletter

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**Summer Term Issue 3** 



## May is the month of Mary



As May is the month of Mary we celebrated two liturgies recently to commemorate this. Last Friday we gathered together in St Bede's Church to dedicate time to pray to Mary. Our liturgy started with a procession of flowers and we then heard the five Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. We prayed and sung together and the service ended with one of our children crowning our statue of Our Lady with a crown of blossoms (above). Huge thanks to the parents and SBFA who donated and volunteered their time to arrange the flowers - they were beautiful. On Monday of this week the children and staff in KS2 spent

time together praying the Rosary in our beautiful Prayer Garden. With Pentecost approaching, we meditated on the Glorious Mysteries, the third of which commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles. It was lovely to spend this peaceful and prayerful time together (right).

Sports News— Our Year 4 and 5 girls football team played against Merton recently (photo below top right). It was very hard to play in such hot conditions but the girls did not stop running and gave 100% to the match. St Bede's went 2-0 up in the



first half and the match ended 2-2. A great result and a great team performance. Well done girls! Thanks to all parents and siblings who came to support and thanks to Mr Axford for organising the event too. Our netball team were also in action recently when they played

This Sunday's Gospel
John 20:19-23

**Pentecost** 

(Jesus) breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; For those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'



## **Dates** for your Diary

INSET Day—Friday 26th May—school will be closed to the children

Monday 5th June—children return to school after the half term break

Ladybirds Liturgical prayer— 9.10am in the hall on Tuesday 13th June—please join us





against Oakley in a friendly match. They played really well and won 15-11! Still unbeaten in all netball matches against local schools. Keep it up! All players were superb, and we even had some who were playing their first ever competitive match. Thanks to Mr Axford and Mrs Osbourne for organising and refereeing! Finally our Yr 5 tag-rugby team (above left) played in a tournament at Fairfields school last week. They also played exceptionally well and got better as the tournament progress, finishing second overall. Well done everyone!

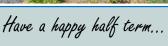
St Bede's Day-It's been a

day of celebrations today as we've marked the feast day of our patron saint. We began the day with Mass and the Yr 3 children who made their First Holy Communion came along in all of their Holy Communion finery. They also enjoyed a party in the prayer garden afterwards (below). In the afternoon all of the children were treated to an extra break time and enjoyed icelollies supplied by the SBFA. Thanks everyone!

Goodbye—to Mrs Marchesini who leaves us today. We would like to say a huge thanks to Mrs Marchesini for all she has given the school (especially EYFS) and wish her luck for the future!







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