# Endsleigh Holy Child VC Academy



Headteacher Mrs. E Barrs Newsletter 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025



Dear Families,

We have a new Pope! Pope Leo XIV was elected yesterday and gave a rousing speech in Italian and Spanish! Pope Leo has worked as a missionary in Peru which shows how he lived out the Catholic virtues of fortitude, justice and benevolence. He clearly believes in helping others who are less fortunate and deserve to live better lives. We look forward to his reign as the new Head of our worldwide Catholic Church and ask that God blesses him and we all pray for him.

Speaking of prayers, please keep all of our Years 6s in your thoughts and prayers this weekend before they commence their SATs on Monday morning. They are exceptionally well-prepared and when I spoke with a number of Year 6s at lunchtime today they told me they are "excited" because they are "100% ready!" This is a true testament to the endless hard work of Mrs Stapleton and Ms Rollinson, and I am deeply grateful to them for all of your efforts. For those families who have a child in Year 6, please know that we are thinking of you all. I hope you can spend some time together as a family and enjoy the weekend – we will look after your child throughout their SATs next week!

Last of all, as I continue to get to know the children at Endsleigh Holy Child it is a privilege to see their unique personalities shining through. The children here love learning, they love being part of the school community and feeling part of our Catholic parish. They are so important to me, and I will continue to always enjoy seeing them flourish.

Mrs M Stead



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May - VE Day Celebration Day – All children to wear Red, White and Blue (**NO** football kits please) Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May Class 4 Stay and Pray Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May Class 1/2 Stay and Pray Half term - school closes on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May and re-opens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Year 5 Bikeability Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June Class 2 Stay and Pray Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes and St Peter Chanel 9.30am Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June KS1 Sports Day Summer Music Concert – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June KS2 Sports Day KS1 visit to Hornsea Beach – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June INSET Day Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – SCHOOL CLOSED Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June Class 5/6 Stay and Pray Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July Class 3/4 visit Hull Truck Theatre to take part in a performance of 'The Tempest' (more details to follow) Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July FS2 Tigers and Bears Stay and Pray Monday 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July Y6 transition week Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June Class 3/4 Stay and Pray Friday 18th Mass Our Lady of Lourdes & St Peter Chanel Leavers Mass and Prizegiving 9.30am School closes for the summer break on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July School opens for the Autumn Term on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

# Pupil Voice

This week in Class 3/4, we had a fantastic time celebrating VE Day! We transformed our classroom into a lively street party and enjoyed some delicious 1940s-inspired treats, including jam sandwiches, crackers, and sugared apples. The children had great fun making their own bunting to decorate the room—it looked amazing!

In PE, we are really enjoying our rugby and athletics lessons. The Year 4s have been working incredibly hard as they prepare for the upcoming multiplication check—well done everyone!

We're also very excited as auditions for The Tempest are happening this week! We'll be performing the play at Hull Truck Theatre later this term, so stay tuned for more details soon.

Wishing you all a happy and restful weekend!

# **Sharing Books**

#### Did You Know...?

By reading just 20 minutes each day, you will actually end up reading almost 2 million words in one year. Go on, pick up a book!

Listening to your child read has multiple benefits and supports their progress in reading in many different ways. This is not limited to the younger children; we want to encourage all of our families to share books, from the F1 Nursery children, all the way up our oldest children in Year 6! This could be through listening to your child read their school reading books, visiting a library together and sharing borrowed books, or by reading books that you have at home.

#### Williams Syndrome

As a school we are celebrating diversity across our school family. The month of May is the official month to raise awareness for Williams Syndrome. It is so rare that only 1 in 35 doctors will have met somebody with it. Just one in 600 classes would expect to have a child with Williams Syndrome. This means that families have to constantly explain the syndrome and needs to others. We want to do our part by raising the awareness of Williams Syndrome to raise money and reduce feelings of isolation and discrimination. In the final week of this half term, we are kindly asking for your support by wearing red and blue or a heart on Thursday 22nd May. Thank you for your ongoing support.

# Parental Contact

Should you wish to contact us about curriculum matters please contact us via the following email - curriculum@ehchull.org

Any queries regarding all year 6 matters please email **year6@ehchull.org** 

Designated Roles

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