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Dear Parents,

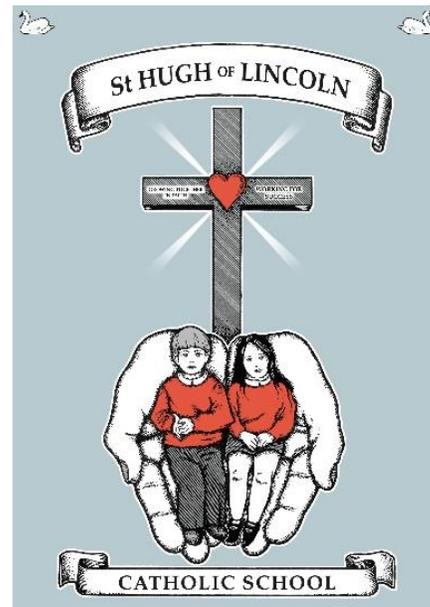
On Thursday I had the delight of taking two of our Year 2 children, Rebecca and Elsie, to knock on the door of our nearest neighbours in Five Oaks Close to wish the inhabitants, Jack and Beryl, the warmest of congratulations on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. Year 2 had made a beautiful card on behalf of the school and it was lovely that Beryl was holding our card while Jack was holding a card from Her Majesty the Queen. I think they regarded them as equally special.

We will be making some changes to the way that PE is taught in the school from September, bringing it mostly back 'in house'. We hope to retain Ultimate Coaching as partners in PE / extra-curricular activities to some degree, but it will not be to the same extent as at present. We have been very well served by Ultimate Coaching coaches, particularly Mr Mazzone who has worked with us for the past three years. He has been an excellent role model and has done a lot to develop the school's PE and lunchtime provision. He is very well liked and respected by children and adults in the school, and we are very grateful for his commitment to our school.

I always enjoy the privilege of being able to show visitors around our school. On Thursday afternoon I met with one of the Directors of the Xavier Catholic Education Trust, who was visiting our school for the first time. She was very struck by what a lovely school we have, by how bright and colourful the learning environment is, and by how happy the children are. She said to me a number of times as we walked around, 'You must be very proud of the school'. It is the people in the school that make the school, so thank you children, staff and parents for making the school a school to be proud of.

God bless,

Mr George



School Values

God our Father, help us all to ...

Live like Jesus,
One family, learning together,
Valuing everyone,
Each and every day.

At St Hugh of Lincoln School we are fully committed to safeguarding. Mr George and Mrs Ashby are the school's Designated Safeguarding Leads: any concerns regarding safeguarding should be raised with either of them.

There will be NO 8.30am Mass in school next week. A Mass for the whole school will be celebrated at 9.00am on Wednesday – all are welcome.

Forthcoming dates:

- 14 July – Year 6 Leavers' assembly
- 14 July – Records of Achievement distributed to parents
- 14 July – September's Reception third induction visit
- 18 July – Year 6 Leavers' barbecue (3.15-4.30pm)
- 19 July – End of year Mass (9.00am)
- 20 July – Year 5 parents' PGL meeting (3.30pm)
- 21 July – End of term (1.30pm)
- 4 September – INSET day – school closed to pupils
- 5 September – Start of Autumn term for pupils (Years 1-6)
- 11-15 September – Year 6 PGL residential
- 19 September – Friends meeting (7.00pm)
- 20 September – Bishop Richard visit to the school
- 21 September – School photographer (individual photos)

On Wednesday we celebrated our last 'extra-curricular Golden Assembly' of the year. There were an amazing number of different awards celebrated: swimming, gymnastics, French, Brownies, football, Beavers, judo, cricket, dance, Italian, badminton, netball, athletics, cycling, a Chief Scout's Award and a certificate for successfully climbing Mount Snowdon. What an inspiring list of achievements by our busy and talented children! Well done to all who brought in awards to share with us this week.

We collected an amazing 35,500 Sainsbury vouchers during the recent promotion. Thank you very much!



This beautiful swan, painted on canvas, was painted for the school by Molly (Year 5).

Funeral of Alix Manders RIP

Alix's funeral service will be held at 11.00am on Tuesday 18 July, at St Hugh of Lincoln Church.

Those attending from the school / parish are asked to park on the street or in the village car park, leaving the church car park free for others.

Please continue to keep Alix and her family in your prayers.

Staff News

I wrote to parents this week to advise of classteachers from September for Yrs 1-6.

I am delighted to be able to advise now that Mr McGovern will be joining us in September, to teach Reception Class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Mrs Barker will be teaching in Reception on Thursdays and Fridays.

Mr McGovern is currently teaching at one of the other schools within our Academy Trust. He will be joining us on a temporary secondment, as a Reception class teacher and as a member of the school's Senior Leadership Team. We will look forward to welcoming him.

Swimming

The current group of Year 5 swimmers will have their final lesson for this term on Monday. This group missed one lesson a couple of weeks ago – this will be 'made up' on 18 September.

After this (from 25 September) the other half of the current Year 5 (next year's Year 6) will have a lesson each Monday up until Christmas. Then between New Year and end of Summer term all of next year's Year 5 children will have a term of swimming lessons. More details will follow in the new school year.