

HFCMAT NEWS

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CEO Message

As we come to the end of an eventful half term, it is wonderful for our school communities to be able to look forward to a well earned break with a few more cautious freedoms allowed. I know the children have enjoyed being back in school with their friends and seeing their teachers face to face. We have been delighted with their enthusiasm and hard work and with all the support that you have given our schools.

Across all our schools, staff have been working tirelessly to help the children return to some sort of normality and provide the best learning experience to help them thrive. Hopefully you have had the chance to see on social media and in communications from schools the great variety of learning and extra curricular opportunities your children have embraced this half term. It is wonderful to see so many smiling faces and such high quality work of all kinds.

In our secondary schools we are so grateful to the staff for all their hard work and so impressed by the attitudes and efforts of our young people. The parents and carers in our school community have much to be proud of. For Y11 & 13 students we know what an uncertain time it has been for them and we are proud of how they have responded. We hope that they enjoy a well deserved rest as they leave for the summer and we look forward to welcoming our Y11s back into Y12. For Y13 students and any others moving on to further studies and work, we wish them every luck in the future. We hope that they stay in touch and know they will always be part of our school families.

In our primary schools, the work going into returning our children to learning after time out of school has been fantastic. Our staff have worked so hard to make sure the children feel safe and happy so that they can be not just confident learners but also confident citizens, aware of and caring for the world around them. It is not just lessons that have taken place this half term, but prayer and worship, fundraising and a whole range of other activities.

















Inspire Learning Teaching School Hub NW

In our last newsletter we shared the exciting news of our designation as a Teaching School Hub. In partnership with St John Bosco in Liverpool, we are now building a strong team and an exciting programme to deliver world class training for teachers across Liverpool and Wirral.

Find out more about our work at http://inspirelearningtsh.co.uk

Pentecost

Last Sunday we celebrated the feast of Pentecost. This time when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples, reminding them of the presence of the Lord in their lives and the world, can offer us hope too. At a time when the Disciples were exhausted, frightened and losing hope after the devastation of the death of Jesus, the Holy Spirit filled them with light and courage. They were re-energised and empowered to go out in the world and teach the Good News. Filled with the Spirit, they were given confidence to face the challenges that lay ahead of them.

Over the last year, the world has been through the most difficult of times. Through our communities and schools, we have faced a series of unprecedented challenges which have at times left us feeling overwhelmed and drained. At this time, it is the care and efforts of all those in our school communities that remind us of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The smiles of children finally able to play with their friends again, the enthusiasm of teachers able to share their love of learning face to face again, the support of all staff in making schools a safe and happy place to be - this is the way the Holy Spirit fills us with hope and light and gives us the strength to celebrate our achievements in overcoming challenges and the energy to keep on going.

