Wednesday 24th May 2023

Dear Year 4 Families,

First Holy Communion Celebration

It was a privilege to be part of the two wonderful First Holy Communion Celebrations last weekend in Church. They are always a highlight of the school year, and it was good to be back with a full church after our Covid years. If you have any feedback on the preparations or the Masses please do come and have a conversation with me or Mr Heery and we'll pass it on to Fr Colin.

We will be having a celebration Mass when all the children can come together to celebrate with the rest of the school. This will take place in church on **Thursday 29**th **June at 9:30am**, this is the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. We are inviting Year 4 to come dressed in their Communion clothes. We'll present them with their certificates on this day too. The children will then have a school celebration in the afternoon. Year 6 will be in the Isle of Man that week, so this means there will be space in the choir loft in church for families to join us if they are free.

To make things easier Year 4 can be dropped off at Church from 8:45am and they will have their register there. A member of staff will meet them at the church door. If this is not possible they can still come to school and will be walked over to church. The children can bring their party clothes (school suitable!) with them and will be able to change once we are back in school. If you would like to come and help them get changed that is fine and you may want to take Communion outfits away with you. We will make the dining room available for the girls and the Hall for the boys.

Children who did not make their First Holy Communion are very much welcome at all the celebrations if they come in their uniform and also bring some party clothes for the afternoon.

Father Colin came to school on Monday to congratulate the children and tell them how proud he was of all of them. He also invited them to be part of the Altar Server team at church, if this is something your child is interested in please contact the Parish office – 01517222231 or ctkandol@rcaol.org.uk, similarly I know Fr Colin would welcome new readers for Sunday Mass, we already have some of our children doing a wonderful job at this!

If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

Kind Regards

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Head Teacher

















