



I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me

SATs and Colomendy

108 excited children, 11 staff, 2 coaches and 1 destination in mind...COLOMENDY. For the first time in 2 years plans were made, bags packed, farewells done and away we went on an adventure in outdoor pursuits to North Wales. Wales, God's own country, the land of song, and rugby and...rain!! As we arrived the heavens opened up to welcome almost all the year 3s and 4s from the Junior school.

Within minutes of alighting from the coach new skills were already being learned and developed, ie children making their own beds with a duvet cover, pillowcase and a bed sheet. Sam our main leader gave all the boys and girls a tour of the main areas and then we went straight into our groups and the subsequent activities - bushcraft, den building, problem solving, climbing, abseiling and Jacob's Ladder. And then it was tea time...

The food was fabulously wholesome and filling with potatoes, chilli, chicken, vegetable, rice and DOUGHNUTS...oh, so many sugary, jam-filled delicious doughnuts. And then back out again for a scavenger hunt and to finish, an outdoor campfire experience. With all the children seated we were entertained with banana songs, children telling jokes, a Tongan haka and all washed down with a choice of vegan, 'free from' or full fat marshmallows roasted on the open fire!

And then to bed...not immediately, however, by about 1030 ish the vast majority of the boys and girls were asleep. Remarkable. Incredible.

Day 2 began with collecting bedding for the laundry, packing to get ready to go home, followed by breakfast and more activities. And at last, by 4.30pm all the children and staff were aboard the coaches again for the journey home...exhausted and elated in equal measures.

The children were a credit to all our parents and the school. We were so proud of them all and their achievements. The children demonstrated a whole host of attributes and skills including teamwork, care, support and friendship for one another, encouragement, determination, motivation, overcoming doubts and fears, celebrating the success of others with applause and cheers and bucket loads of noise and laughter. A fabulous experience made possible by Mrs McCormack who organised it all and the phenomenal staff who supervised and cared for the children so superbly well. Huge thanks to all our parents and for the many 'thank you's' that the school has received and for giving your consent for this wonderful experience for your children,

And finally...On Monday our fantastic year 6 boys and girls sit their SATs assessments for the first time in 2 years. As well as wishing them all the very best of luck can I ask that you keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers this weekend and throughout next week so as to give them as much support as we possibly can.

Thank you in advance of this and have a wonderful weekend.



Multi-Sports Event for Year 1 & 2

Some of our Y1/Y2 children took part in a multi-schools event on Wednesday morning at Rainford High School. They did a range of activities such as hockey, football, circuit training, athletics. They had a wonderful time and were a credit to the school and to their parents because of their excellent sportsmanship and behaviour. Well Done



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Year 6 Hope Academy Transition

You will have recently received important documents from Hope Academy – please ensure they are completed and returned in the reply-paid envelope provided by Friday 27th May.

Mrs Tansey, who is a member of the Infant School staff and also teaches Judo after school to our pupils, was in Sofia, Bulgaria at the weekend to receive an International Award for Social Inclusion within the sport. She also received an award for Development of Performance in Judo. This is a huge achievement and we are really proud of her well deserved success.



Dates for your Diary 2022

Saturday 21st May
Year 4 First Holy Communions

Friday 27th May
School closes for half-term at
3.15/3.30pm

Sunday 3rd July
St Mary's Summer Social

Governors



Congratulations to Rebecca Wong who has been appointed as a parent governor.

Thank you to the other candidates that also applied.

Year 5 Apple Of My Eye

On Wednesday, as part of our DT unit on healthy eating, Year 5 spent the morning making their healthy pasta bakes. They had spent the previous weeks learning about healthy diets and had the choice of healthy proteins and vegetables to add to their bakes. Students learnt about knife safety and food preparation during the morning. They were able to take them home to cook and show off their new culinary skills. Well done to all in Year 5



STARS OF THE WEEK AND BEE AWARDS

	Star of the Week	Kindness Award
Nursery	Theo	Gabriel
RM	Robin	Joe
RB	Jack	Alex
Y1B	Oliver	Noah
Y1G	Jacob	Aodhan
Y2M	Safia	Logan
Y2T	Jacob	Orla

	Star of the week	Bee Award
Y3R	Everyone	Madeleine & Claudia
Y3L	Everyone	Zane
Y4F	Everyone	Sadie
Y4M	Everyone	Harrison
Y5R	Emelie B	Lois R
Y5HM	Riley W	Evie M
Y6W	Everyone	Everyone
Y6D	Everyone	Everyone

Respect & Manners Award

Juniors: McKenzie

Infants: Norah

