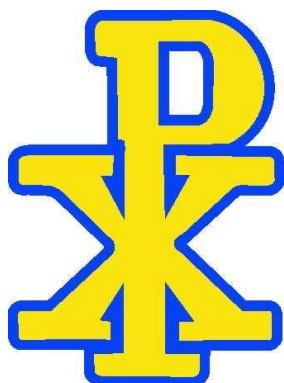


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Key Dates	Extra-Curricular Clubs	VIPs																
21-25 May - Yr 2 SATs 21 May - Parents’ Evening 22 May - Baby & Toddler Group 22 May - Gala Meeting (3.30pm) 23 May - Parents’ Evening 23 May - St Bernard’s to visit Yr 6 24 May - Yr 3 Assembly 24 May - Reading Challenge Ends 25 May - Infant Sports’ Day (am) 25 May - Junior Sports’ Day (pm) 25 May - Reading Challenge Deadline 25 May - Yr 3 May Procession to Church 25 May - Half-term Begins 28 May - Car Boot 5 June - Baby & Toddler Group 5 June - Kwik Cricket Girls Yr 5 & 6 6 June - Dig for Victory Assembly 6 June - Kwik Cricket Mixed Yr 5 & 6 7 June - Yr 2 Assembly 8 June - Yr 6 Mass @ Church 8 June - Yr 6 Photo Return Deadline 8 June - Meet the Dig for Victory Leader 11-15 June - Phonics Screening Check 12 June - Baby & Toddler 12 June - First Holy Communion Pupil Session (2.15pm) 12 June - Yr 5 & 6 Drug & Alcohol talk 13 June - First Holy Communion Parent Session (2.15pm) 14 June - First Holy Communion Pupil Session (2.15pm) 14 June - 5-a-side Competition 16 June - Messy Church 19 June - Baby & Toddler Group 21 June - Yr 4 Trip (Manchester) 21 June - First Confessions 22 June - Reserve Sports’ Day 22 June - Year 5 Mass @ St Mary’s Church 26 June - Baby & Toddler Group 28 June - Come & Learn 29 June - Whole School Mass @ School (9.30am) 29 June - First Holy Communion Mass 2-3 July - St Bernard’s Transition Days 2-3 July - Dowdales Transition Days 2-3 July - UVHS Transition Days 3 July - Move Up Day	Mon -YoKids (Rec-Y2) -School Council 12.30-1 Tues -Lego (Y3&4) 12-12.30 -Chatterbooks (Y5&6 Group) -Eco-Committee 12.30-1 Wed -Football (Y3-6) -Band (Y4-6) -Drama (Y3&4) 12.30-1 Thurs -Netball (Y4-6) -Choir (Y3-6) 12.30-1 Fri -Instrument (Y4) 12-12.30 -Instrument (Y6) 12.30-1 School Lunch Menu Week 3	Reception – Enya Year 4 – Jack B Year 5 - Alicja Family members are welcome to join us for our Celebration Assembly on Friday at 2.45pm. Mr McGoldrick’s Marvellous Merit Isaac (Year 1) House Champions This week’s house champions are St Patrick’s St P= 5, St A=0, St G=0, St D=0 Attendance <table><tr><td>Reception</td><td>96.3</td></tr><tr><td>Year 1</td><td>93.68</td></tr><tr><td>Year 2</td><td>97.14</td></tr><tr><td>Year 3</td><td>98.1</td></tr><tr><td>Year 4</td><td>98.52</td></tr><tr><td>Year 5</td><td>96.8</td></tr><tr><td>Year 6</td><td>99.17</td></tr><tr><td>Whole School</td><td>97.2</td></tr></table>	Reception	96.3	Year 1	93.68	Year 2	97.14	Year 3	98.1	Year 4	98.52	Year 5	96.8	Year 6	99.17	Whole School	97.2
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Reflection for Sunday's Gospel

This weekend we celebrate an important Feast in the liturgical year – Pentecost. We celebrate that the Holy Spirit, which Jesus had promised, came upon the first disciples, empowering them to go out and preach the Good News, and to BE the Good News. Some of us have received the Spirit, in the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, however for many this dynamic role of the Holy Spirit remains dormant and the grace of God unused because we have not opened ourselves to the Spirit. This requires a risk on our part, because the Holy Spirit, active in us, will manifest itself in it.

Prayer

Spirit of Christ, stir me;

Spirit of Christ, move me;

Spirit of Christ, fill me;

Spirit of Christ, seal me.

Consecrate in me Your Heart and Will, O Heavenly Father. Create in me a fountain of virtues.

Seal my soul as Your own, that Your reflection in me may be a light for all to see.

Amen.

Assistant Headteachers

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Gill and Mrs Roberts have been appointed as Assistant Headteachers at St Pius X, effective from 4th June 2018. Both members of staff will continue to teach. In addition, Mrs Gill will lead across the Infants and Mrs Roberts will lead across the Juniors. We hope you'll join us in congratulating them both.

Gala Meeting

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday 22nd May at 3.30pm** to discuss the upcoming Catholic Schools Gala, Music Festival and Camp. To enable these events to run we need volunteers.

Year 6 Leavers

Please add the following dates to your diaries:

Leavers' Mass - **13th July 2018 at 9.30am** and

Leavers' Assembly and Performance - **13th July at 1.15pm**.

We would like to produce a slideshow for our Year 6 pupils. We would appreciate it if parents could hand-in or email three photos to the School Office:

1. As a baby,
2. Starting school and
3. Recent.

Please can these be returned by **Friday 8th June 2018**.

Car Boot

Our recent car boot sale raised over £500. There will be another on **Monday 28th May 2018**. Please spread the word.

Zebra-Crossing

Please can parents ensure they use the school zebra-crossing when crossing Schneider Road. We had a near miss this week. In addition, please ensure you walk down the side path and not the main drive. Thank you for your cooperation.

Data Protection

From 25th May 2018 the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) comes into action. Therefore, school has updated its policies and procedure to reflect the new regulations. We ask for your assistance in this matter to ensure personal and private information is kept safe and secure. One way of helping is remembering not including children's names on social media comments. These comments will be deleted.

Reports

This year, we introduced new termly summary reports which are shared at Parents' Evenings. Therefore, there will be no end of Year report. The summer term Parents' Evening summary report will include a personal comment from the teacher. The following information will be shared towards the end of the school year:

- EYFS Profile data for Reception parents,
- Phonics Screening Check data for Year 1 (and Year 2 where appropriate) parents,
- Key Stage 1 SATs data for Year 2 parents and
- Key Stage 2 SATs data for Year 6 parents.

September Structure

We will inform you of the September staffing structure once we have appointed a new teacher. This vacancy is currently being advertised. Interviews are due to take place on June 6th.

Reading Challenge

At the end of last term we set children a challenge to read six books by six different authors over a period of six weeks. Children were asked to keep a record of the books they read and complete a book review for each book read. Children should bring in their record and book reviews into school by Friday 25th May. All entrants will receive 20 Dojo points. One entrant will receive an extra 60 Dojo points by 'pulling a name out of the hat'. We look forward to receiving them.

May Procession

Year 3 will join other Year 3 pupils from across the Catholic Cluster for a Mass at St Mary's next Friday 25th June. They will be processing down to church. Volunteers are required to assist walking down. Please see Mrs Corbett or Mrs Pinkney if you're able to help.

Year 6 SATs

Well done to all the children this week. They all tried their best and that's all we can ask. We are proud of them all.

Year 2 SATs

Next week is Year 2 SATs week. Following the success of the Year 6 breakfast club last week, we will be holding one for Year 2. Year 2 pupils are invited to arrive at school at 8.30am for breakfast. Please arrive via the main school entrance. We wish them all the best of luck. As it was with Year 6, there will be no homework this weekend. Their only homework is to have fun! We would like to thank our parents for all their continued support during the run up to SATs.

Sports' Day

Weather permitting; we look forward to seeing you all at our Sports' Day next week. Infant Sport's Day starts at 9.30am and Junior Sports' Day starts at 1.15pm. There will be a Mothers' Race, Fathers' Race and Teachers' Race this year. Get practising! There will be two separate winners: Infant House Winners and Junior House Winners.

First Holy Communion

Thank you to those parents that have signed up for mopping up First Holy Communion. The sessions are due to start next month. Apologies for the confusion - Mr McGoldrick was a month early.

It will involve three sessions during school time:

Tuesday 12th June at 2.15pm: pupil preparation session,

Wednesday 13th June at 2.15pm: parent session and

Thursday 14th June at 2.15pm - pupil preparation session.

Children will make their First Confession on **Friday 22nd June** following Mass at Church and their First Holy Communion in **Friday 29th June** during the 9.30am Mass at School.

Walk to Remember

Reminder: The staff at St Pius X are entering a team for the Walk to Remember for St Mary's Hospice on Friday 6th July. The Walk to Remember is open to children from 8 years old. It starts at Ulverston Leisure Centre and finishes at Furness Academy. If you would like to join us book your place by simply following the link: <http://bit.ly/WalkToRemember2018>.

Dig for Victory

Reminder: We are keen to improve our school grounds and get our children and families involved. We are hoping to run a weekly 'Dig for Victory' programme. There will be a chance to meet the Dig for Victory Leader on **Friday 8th June**, from 2.30pm, prior to the Friday Celebration Assembly at 2.45pm. There will be a taster session for the 'Dig for Victory' on **Tuesday 12th June from 2pm-4pm**. Depending on the response we could make it into a weekly event.

Preparation for First Holy Communion

Reminder: Preparation for First Holy Communion will continue. All sessions are held at St Mary's Parish Centre starting at 6pm. The final date is:

Wednesday 6th June.

Children will make their First Holy Communion on **Sunday June 10th**.

Letters sent home this week:

- Wednesday Word (Whole School)
- Barrow AFC