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I wonder how many questions we ask in a day? Our assembly this week begun with asking lots of questions about strange and wonderful things. To learn better and understand more we must ask questions. Jesus knew this and so when Thomas says, "How can it be that Jesus has resurrected and visited you?", Jesus is keen to answer him and help him understand more by returning and giving him living truth. God asks us to have inquiring minds. So our challenge this week will be to keep asking and therefore grow more to know and love God. - *Mrs A M Kendal, Head of School*

"Let us build our lives of faith on the rock who is Christ." **Pope Francis**

Pupil of the Week:

Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception – Adrielle

Year 1 - Rome

Year 2 - Gracie

Year 3 – Tinaye

Year 4 - Louis

Year 5 – Ta'Naye Year 6 – Ameerah

House Points: Well done to St Paul's this week's winners with 172 points!

St Bernadette - 145

St Francis - 89

St Paul – 172

St Theresa – 162

St Thomas More - 140

St Anne Line - 85

St Elizabeth's Spring Clean: As you know Mini-Vinnie visited St Elizabeths' last term and are really keen for us to support them more. Therefore they have launched a campaign in assembly today to have a good spring clean at home and collect all those tired toys or old clothes that no longer fit into a bag to be sent to the charity shop. If you could donate your bags here by Friday 20th May the team will get them down to the shop to raise much needed funds for a very worthy cause.

Suggested items: Clothing, toys, books, CD's, DVD's,

Super Hero Visit! On Tuesday, Reception class were surprised with a visit from Spiderman and Wonder Woman. They took the children on a hero adventure to work out the mystery of the Evil Pea. The children had superhero training, found secret clues and uncovered invisible ink. Spiderman and Wonder Woman want to thank the whole class for helping to capture the Evil Pea.

Caritas Common Good: Our new topics have all been launched. Do have a look at the topic your child will be studying this term. See link here to class pages. Our new caritas theme is COMMON GOOD. All classes will be making links with their topic to this theme, learning how to make the world a better place for their future.

Year 1 Prayer Service: Thank you to year 1 for a lovely prayer service on holy days and holidays. It was so great to welcome parents back with Fr Bernard to share prayers and reflections on our current topic. Do note prayer services and Masses are now taking place weekly and parents are very welcome to join us for these.

Team Work: Every half term our House teams meet with their teacher and captains. This week the theme was how to be a good team member in preparation for our sports day later this term. Do look at our list of dates as parents are welcome to join us for that day.

BCCS RELAY 100 – The Assumption of Our Lady to Our Lady of Fatima: The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society needs help with their 'Relay 100' community event this May and June and are looking for an individual, a

family or a group of friends to walk or cycle between the churches of The Assumption of Our Lady and Our Lady of Fatima in either direction; a distance of 1.1 miles. This can be on a day of your choosing, and the BCCS would be looking for you to highlight your efforts in the community and to raise a little bit of sponsorship off of the back of your efforts. Can you help? To find out more, please contact Damian Dillon: ddillon@bccs.org.uk / 07912 308000 or visit the BCCS Website to read more about this event. Thank you.

New Dinner Menu: Our school dinner menu can be located <u>here.</u> W/C 3rd April is week 3. **Change of schedule next Tuesday will be Pizza.**

Upcoming Dates:

Monday 2nd May: Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May 1.30pm: Year 2 Prayer

Service (parents welcome).

Wednesday 4th May: National Bike to

School Day

Thursday 5th May: Y3 swimming lessons start

Tuesday 10th May 1.30pm: Reception Prayer service (Parents welcome) Friday 20th May: Year 2 school trip Tuesday 24th May: Sports Day, KS2 9-12am. KS1 1-3pm (Parents Welcome)

Holy Cross, First Communion key dates:

Saturday 30th April 9.30-12.30: Final lesson and Reconciliation

Friday 20th **May:** First Communion Rehearsal

Saturday 21st May 11am: First Holy

Communion Mass



