

Summer 2026

SPIRITUAL LIFE NEWS

Emmaus Church of England and Catholic Primary School

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Welcome to our Summer Spiritual Life Newsletter.
In this term, we have celebrated several special events.
Many Year 4 children received their First Holy Communion at OLQM
and four Y5 children were confirmed at St David's Church.
Congratulations to our children on their spiritual journeys.

**Our Collective Worship & Christian Values in Summer Term were
'Friendship' and 'Respect'.**

Our Entrance Display



In the Summer Term, EYFS and Years 1 to 4 have all been enjoying learning topics from our new RE Curriculum 'To know You more clearly'.

Summer 1 - Branch 5 'Ends of the Earth'

"Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19). Pupils study events that flowed from the Resurrection and Ascension in the coming of the Holy Spirit and the work of the apostles and early Church.

Summer 2—Branch 6 'Dialogue and Encounter' .
'For "In him we live and move and have our being"'. (Acts 17:28). Pupils will learn how Christians work together with people of different religious convictions and all people of goodwill towards the common good, respecting the dignity of all humanity.

Come and See is still being taught in Years 5 and 6.
In the Summer Term we consider God, the Holy Spirit and the question, 'Who am I?'

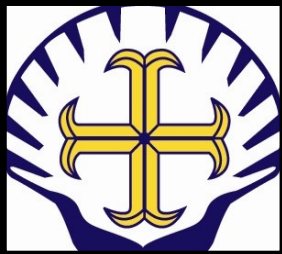
Church Theme – Serving – Pentecost focuses on the on-going mission of Jesus Christ in the Church through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Sacramental Theme – Inter-relating – Reconciliation focuses on the love, compassion and forgiveness of God the Father revealed in Jesus and poured out by the Spirit to bring forgiveness and reconciliation in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Christian Living Theme – World – Universal Church focuses on the same love revealed in the diversity of the world and its people, and in the gifts of the Spirit that bear fruit in love, joy, justice and peace for all people.

**Our Collective Worship & Christian Value for
Autumn 1 is 'Thankfulness'.**

'A good friend is a blessing from God.' 1 Samuel 18:3



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Update from St. Cuthbert's

Summer is a busy time at St Cuthbert's and one of the highlights is our Summer Fair. We held it much earlier this year, on June 13th, and it was a wonderful day. We welcomed in so many members of our Croxteth Park community and as a bonus, we raised over £2000 to support the work of our church.

The confirmation service for West Derby Deanery was held this year at St David's Church in Childwall. It was such a hot evening but despite that it was a magical service led by Bishop Ruth. Amongst our candidates there were four Year 5 Emmaus children. The children were a real credit to the church, the school and their parents.



St Cuthbert's has been delighted to host several visits from Emmaus school. The standout event was our Retreat Day for Year 6. Once again, it was so very hot, but both classes were truly amazing!



We ended the school year by hosting the Year 6 Leavers' Service. This was a very special time for pupils and their parents and we wish them all well as they prepare to move on to their high schools.

Update from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

There have been many celebrations this term.

Some of our Year 4 children received their First Holy Communion on 16th May at 11:00am. What a beautiful service as the children deepened their faith. We were joined by the children's families and friends, The Emmaus School Choir, Mrs Newton, Mr Williams and school staff. Well done to all involved.

The Family of Parishes' Confirmations took place at St Teresa's, Norris Green on 12 June.

Mass for St Swithin's Feast Day was at 7pm on 15 July in St Swithin's Cemetery. VIDES UK will be running a Summer Camp from 18th – 25th July for some of our young people.

'Be kind to one another...forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.' Ephesians 4:32



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Highlight of Summer Term

Our Dedication Day Service

We celebrated the birthday of Emmaus School on Tuesday 19th May. This service was extra special for the whole school because we were joined by Rev Kate for St Cuthbert's, Deacon Chris from OLQM and Mrs Newton. Many of our Year 6 children led the service and shared their thoughts on school life and what makes Emmaus unique. We would like to thank everyone for taking part so enthusiastically. The singing, music, word readings were excep-



As the school year comes to a close, we would like to express our sincere thanks to our **Year 6 pupils** for all their dedication, perseverance and achievements. We wish each of them every success, joy and blessing as they begin the exciting next chapter of their journey at secondary school. Throughout the year, they have truly embodied the Emmaus School mission of 'Travelling Together with Jesus', showing kindness, faith and respect through their everyday words and actions. We are proud of our **Year 6 RE Ambassadors**, who generously gave their own time to prepare, write prayers and lead inspiring whole school services. Their commitment and enthusiasm have been a wonderful example to our school community. Thank you to every one of our Year 6 pupils for the positive contribution you have made to our school. Your dedication, service and willingness to live out our twelve Christian Values have made us incredibly proud. As you move on to new opportunities, we know you will continue to be role models, sharing these values wherever you go. We wish you and your families every happiness for the future. May God guide and bless you always.

'Do to others as you would have them do to you.' Luke 6:31



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RE in Action



We are so lucky to have access to our wonderful local church, St Cuthbert's. Rev Kate and Janet welcomed Year 1 and Year 4, to complete work for our RE Curriculum. We asked questions and sang songs. The trips were so much fun! Thanks to you both.

FAITH in ACTION

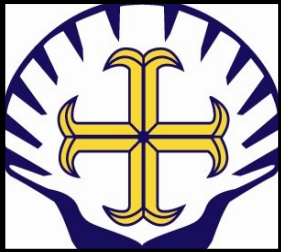
Pictures of some Celebrations of the Word and tables from classes showing the value of Respect.



RE Ambassadors

Our RE Ambassadors are volunteers who enjoy RE and Collective Worship in school. They share ideas, write prayers and lead services on special holy days at Emmaus. Thank you to each child for their commitment, engagement and respectfulness; they have completed their duties with passion and confidence. This year, they supported the delivery of five holy services and should be very proud of their achievements. They also continue in role for many years, as they are so responsible and enjoy sharing their love of their faith. Congratulations on a marvellous year; thank you again!

'Respect the Lord and be humble. Then you will have wealth, honour and true life.' Proverbs 22:4



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St Cuthbert's Important Dates

We are looking forward to welcoming children and their families to our Fun Fridays at St Cuthbert's during the school holidays.

For details of our Fun Fridays and other special events over the Summer please contact Rev Kate at kate.johnston@cohl.org.uk

Also, a date for the diaries of Year 6 children starting Year 7 in September. There will be a Rooted Reunion on Friday 18th September 5:00pm - 6:30pm at St Cuthbert's Church. A chance to catch up with friends from Emmaus over pizza, and activities.

Visits to the Anglican Cathedral

Our Year 2 children recently enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Anglican Cathedral, where they took part in a special musical performance with an exciting **space** theme. Over the past few weeks, the children worked incredibly hard to learn a wide range of songs, showing great enthusiasm, dedication, and teamwork throughout their rehearsals.

Their performance was full of energy and confidence, and they sang beautifully. A clear favourite among the children was **"The Final Countdown,"** which they performed with great excitement and enthusiasm.

We are incredibly proud of all the children for their commitment and wonderful behaviour. They represented our school brilliantly and should be very proud of their achievement. Well done, Year 2!



Farewell to Year 6



Well done to our Year 6 children who proudly represented Emmaus School at the Anglican Cathedral for their final service as primary children. It was amazing to see them all grown up and ready for the next chapter in their lives, moving on to Secondary Schools. Good luck everyone and thank you for being fantastic pupils!



'Show proper respect to everyone. Love your Christian brothers and sisters.' 1 Peter 2:17