As we approach the end of term, the final weeks are shaping up to be a busy and exciting time for everyone. This week, we held a successful Transition Day, where children spent time with their new teachers in their new classrooms—it was wonderful to see them settling in so confidently.

Our Year 6 children also had the exciting opportunity to visit their new high schools, helping them prepare for this important next step.

Over the remaining two weeks, we have a packed schedule of events coming up, including the Year 6 productions, the iRock concert, the Year 6 Leavers' Disco, the Year 6 Leavers' Mass, as well as the Year 6 and Nursery graduations—all moments we're very much looking forward to celebrating with our school community.

Looking ahead, the weather is set to heat up again next week, so please ensure your child comes to school with a water bottle and sun hat to help them stay cool and comfortable throughout the day.

Road Safety



Please can we remind parents about the importance of using the pelican crossing when heading to and from school. Last week, we had an incident where a parent was encouraging their young child to cross the road behind a bus, which is

extremely dangerous, particularly with such a busy road.

We do not want to see any child get hurt, or worse, so please make sure you use the crossing!

Upcoming events

- Tue 8th July Year 6 Production (Year 1 & 2 to watch, and Parents with pre-school children) 9.30am
- Tue 8th July Year 6 production (adults and siblings - Reception age +) 6.00pm
- Wed 9th July Year 6
 production (Year 3-5 children to
 watch, and Parents with pre school children)) 9.30am
- Wed 9th July Year 6
 production (adults and siblings
 Rec age +) 6.00pm
- Wed 9th July iRock concert 1.00pm
- Thu 10th July Year 6 Workshop
- Thu 10th July District Sports
- Mon 14th July Year 6 leavers' disco 6.00 – 8.00pm
- Tue 15th July Last day for Nursery
- Wed 16th July Leavers' Mass 9.30am
- Wed 16th July Year 6 Graduation 10.30am
- Wed 16th July End of term.
 Rec/KS1 12.50am finish; KS2
 1.00 finish

Parent Governor Role

Thank you to the parents who have expressed an interest in applying for the Parent Governor role.

The deadline for nominations is Friday 11th July 2025. To submit your nomination, you will need to complete a candidate form. If you would like to receive a form or need any further information, please email clerk@botwellhouse.school. If we receive more than one application, a secret ballot will be carried out. We will inform you closer to the time if we have to do this.

Year 6 Production

Our Year 6 production will be taking place next week. There will be 4 performances, two during the day, where parents can bring young children, and two in the evening. Details are below:

Tuesday 8th July:

• 9.30am: Parents with babies/toddlers (and Year 1 and 2 children)

• 6.00pm: Parents and siblings (Reception age and above)

Wednesday 9th July:

• 9.30am: Parents with babies/toddlers (and Year 3, 4 and 5 children)

• 6.00pm: Parents and siblings (Reception age and above)

Please note, babies and toddlers will not be permitted at the evening performances.

Attendance

The children's attendance for this week is below. Sadly, it has dropped quite a lot this week with only a handful of classes reaching 96% or more. Well done to Reception C who had the highest attendance this week with 97%.

Our winning classes from each phase who will get extra play are:

Reception: Rec C

Year 1 & 2: 1W

Year 3 & 4: 4A, 4B & 4N (Well done Year 4!)

Year 5 & 6: N/A

Class	% Attendance
Reception C	97%
Reception D	89%
Reception I	86%
1B	93%
1H	95%
1W	96%
2C	93%
2 L	94%
2P	90%
3B	94%
3M	92%
3P	95%



4A	96%
4B	96%
4N	96%
5B	89%
5J	95%
5S	92%
6B	95%
6S	93%
6W	93%

Prayer and Reflection

This week, on July 3rd, we observed the feast day of St. Thomas, the apostle. St. Thomas was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. He famously doubted the resurrection of Jesus until he saw and touched the resurrected Christ's wounds, earning him the nickname, Doubting Thomas. The feast day is an opportunity to reflect on faith, doubt, and the importance of St. Thomas's role in the early church.

He is regarded as the patron saint of India among its Christian adherents, and the Feast of Saint Thomas on July 3 is celebrated as Indian Christians' Day. He is also the patron saint of judges and architects due to his building work in India.

Almighty and ever living God, who did strengthen your apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in your Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in thy sight; through him who lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

