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Friday 7th October, 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are probably aware, the children in Year 4 undertake the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Having spoken to Father Martin, we have placed dates in the diary and will therefore shortly be able to begin to prepare our children for these most important Sacraments.

For many years, school has taken the lead when it comes to teaching the pupils, following a seven-session programme. Mr Bonnar has led this particular programme for a number of years and has agreed to do so again for this academic year. Your child is required to attend all seven sessions. Please find below the dates of each session. On these dates, your child will be asked to stay at school until 4.30pm. They will have a short 10-minute break and snack on the playground before being led in their preparations in the school hall. Please provide your child with a suitable snack and then collect your child at the front entrance to school by 4.30pm.

Dates	Session	What we will cover
Thursday 10th November 2022	One	Gathering together
Thursday 24th November 2022	Two	Baptism
Thursday 1st December 2022	Three	Reconciliation
Thursday 26th January 2023	Four	Listening
Thursday 3rd March 2023	Five	Gifts – The Offertory
Thursday 30th March 2023	Six	Giving Thanks
Thursday 27th April 2023	Seven	Rehearsal at church

The dates for First Reconciliation are as follows:

**Thursday 2nd February 2023 at 2pm** for children in **Mr Bonnar's class.**

**Thursday 9th February 2023 at 2pm** for children in **Mr Peacock's class.**



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Both dates will see the children making their First Reconciliation in St John Vianney Church. Parents are more than welcome to attend. Please note, there will be more specific details regarding this special afternoon nearer the time.

The dates for First Holy Communion itself are as follows:

**Saturday 13th May 2023 at 10am** for children in **Mr Bonnar's class**.

**Saturday 20th May 2023** at 10am for children in **Mr Peacock's class**.

Both dates will see Holy Mass being celebrated at St John Vianney Church. There will be more specific details regarding the special day itself nearer the time.

Should you have any specific questions about anything outlined in this letter, then please don't hesitate to contact Mr Bonnar.

Kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs A Thorpe

Headteacher

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First Holy Communion 2022-2023

I would like my child to make their First Holy Communion at St John Vianney church.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Baptism and the Parish where your child was Baptised:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Carer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Carer: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this slip to school by Friday 14th October 2022.*