



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
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11th May 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

May is the
Month of Mary!

Thought of the Week

This week, we are continuing to learn about Mary, the Mother of God. This is a time when we seek to renew our friendship with Mary. Each day, the children will spend time raising their minds and hearts to Mary in prayer. During the month of May, children are invited to attend rosary meditation in the Prayer Room during playtimes.

Year 6 SATs 14th- 17th May

From the 14th to 17th May, the Year 6 pupils will take their SATs exams. They have worked very hard all year and I wish them luck with their tests. During the week of the tests, there will be a free Breakfast Club for Year 6 pupils starting at 8.15a.m. All Year 6 pupils are welcome!

World Cup 2018

To celebrate the start of the World Cup, there will be a non-uniform day on Thursday 14th June. The children may wear their football kits or colours of the country they will be supporting. We are asking for a £1 voluntary contribution and funds raised will buy new footballs.

Throughout the World Cup period, we will be having our own mini World Cup Competition. The children will be playing football and competing against other classes.

Sports Days

Key Stage 1 Sports Day will be held on Monday 21st May at 1.30p.m. and Key Stage 2 Sports Day will be held on Tuesday 22nd May at 1.30p.m. Please ensure your child has the correct P.E. kit.

Foundation Stage Sports Day will be held on Wednesday 11th July at 9.30.a.m. (Weather permitting!)

All parents/relatives are welcome to come along and support their children.

Attendance

Our attendance has decreased this year and I need your help to improve our attendance. Please do not book any holidays during term time. I do not like administering Penalty Notices and I do not get any pleasure from having to fine parents for taking their children on holiday but my hands are tied. Therefore, if your child misses 7½ days from school you will receive a fine. Just to confirm with you all, holidays during term time are not permitted and will be classed as unauthorised. Please note, if a pupil has 15 unauthorised sessions (half day= 1 session) in a term (including unauthorised holidays), a Penalty Notice will be issued. The Penalty Notice is £60 (per parent/per child). Thank you for your co-operation and support.

Important Notices

Secondary School Transfer Meeting

There will be a meeting for all Year 5 parents on Thursday 17th May starting at 2.45p.m. If you are unable meeting please contact the school office.



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Breakfast Club

Please note, Breakfast Club starts at 8.00a.m. Please ensure your child does not arrive before 8.00a.m. Thank you.



Bikes/Scooters

It is great to see so many children cycling to school. However, many children are cycling to school without wearing a helmet. For safety reasons, please make sure your child wears a helmet when cycling to school.



Also, children are not allowed to cycle or scoot within the school grounds. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Before School

We have a number of children coming into school very early in the morning without a parent/carer being present. Please note, Key Stage 2 pupils are allowed on the school playgrounds by themselves at 8.40a.m. However, if your child arrives before 8.40a.m. they must be accompanied by an adult. Also, all Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 pupils must be accompanied by an adult until they are handed over to their class teacher at 8.50a.m.

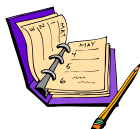
Attendance Award

This week, Year 3 have won the best attendance award.
Well done Year 3.



Have a great week.

Linda Payne
Headteacher



Diary Dates

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| May | |
| Tuesday 8 th – 25 th May | KS1 SATs- Year 2 |
| Monday 14th – 17th May | KS2 SATs – Year 6 Tests |
| Thursday 17th May | Year 5 Parents- Secondary School Transfer Meeting |
| Friday 18 th May | Parents' Forum at 9.45a.m. |
| Monday 21st -25th May | Walk to School Week |
| Monday 21 st May | KS1 Sports Day at 1.30p.m. KS1 parents are welcome to attend. |
| Tuesday 22 nd May | KS2 Sports Day at 1.30p.m. KS2 parents are welcome to attend. |
| Friday 25 th May | End of term. School closes at 3.15p.m. |
| June | |
| Monday 4th June | Inset Day – school closed. |
| Tuesday 5th June | Start of Term |
| Wednesday 6 th June | KS1 Reserve Sports Day at 1.30p.m. KS1 parents are welcome to attend. |
| Thursday 7 th June | KS2 Reserve Sports Day at 1.30p.m. KS2 parents are welcome to attend. |
| Friday 8 th June | Parents' Forum at 9.45a.m. |
| Monday 11 th June | Year 1 Phonic tests commence |



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| Thursday 14 th June | World Cup Non-Uniform Day |
| Thursday 21 st June | Phonic meeting for F2 parents - Getting ready for Year 1 |
| Wednesday 27 th June | F1 new pupils visits |
| Friday 29 th June | St Peter & St Paul's Mass in school at 9.15a.m. (F2 – Y6 classes). All parents are welcome to attend. |

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| July | |
| Monday 2 nd – Friday 6 th July | Year 6 School Journey |
| Thursday 5 th July | F1 new parents meeting |
| Tuesday 10 th & Wednesday 11 th July | Year 5 Overnight Trip to Phasel Wood (new date) |
| Wednesday 11 th July | Foundation Stage Sports Day at 9.30a.m. FS parents are welcome to attend. |
| Thursday 12 th July | Secondary School Transition day New F2 Parents' Meeting at 9.15a.m. |
| Friday 13 th July | Year 6 Leavers' Mass (F1 – Y6 classes) Whole School Picnic starting at 12.30p.m. (F1 – Y6) All parents are welcome to attend the Mass and picnic. |
| Monday 16 th July | KS2 Dress Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m. KS2 parents and toddlers are welcome to attend. |
| Tuesday 17 th July | KS2 Play at 6.00p.m KS2 parents are welcome to attend. |
| Wednesday 18 th July | Year 6 Barbecue at 1.30p.m. - 3.00pm. Foundation Stage Reserve Sports Day at 9.30a.m. FS parents are welcome to attend. |
| Thursday 19 th July | FS & KS1 Teddy Bear Picnic (Please bring a Teddy Bear) (F1 – Y2 classes) |
| Friday 20th July | Leavers' Assembly at 9.00 a.m. All parents are welcome to attend. End of term. School closes at 1.30p.m. |