

12th July 2017

Dear Parents/Carers



Welcome Jesus!

**Thought of the Week**

The children have been following the message, given to us by Christ. 'Anyone who makes my friends welcome is welcoming me.'

**Classes**

Today, the children visited their new classes and met their new teachers. The staff are looking forward to working with your children.

The classes are as follows:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Teaching Assistants</b>
Foundation 1	Mrs Aston	Mrs Axe Mrs Smithson
Foundation 2	Miss Cormack	Miss Loftus Mrs Kendal
Year 1	Miss Gumbs	Mrs McNally
Year 2	Miss Donghi	Mrs Moshoyannis Mrs Silanpaa Mrs Worland
Year 3	Miss Devery	Mrs McKane Mrs Worland
Year 4	Mr Gobin	Mrs Sheppard
Year 5	Mrs Wade	Mrs Montalvo Mrs McCandless
Year 6	Miss Winterman	Mrs Carter

**Leavers' Mass and Assembly**

I cannot believe the time has come to say farewell to our Year 6 class. The Leavers' Mass will be held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 11.00a.m. and the Leavers' assembly will be on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 9.00a.m. The Year 6 barbecue will be Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July starting at 1.30p.m.- until 3p.m. All parents and carers are welcome to join us on these dates.

**New to Year 3 Meeting**

There will be a meeting for the current Year 2 parents, on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, starting at 2.30p.m. This will be your opportunity to meet the class teacher and discuss transition procedures.

**School Council**

Recently, the school council met to select charities to which, funds raised over the year would be donated to. After careful deliberation, they decided to support a local, national and international charity. The local charity was the **Shay Murray Appeal**. He is a local, Catholic boy who has a rare condition known as Pearson's Syndrome, which is a mitochondrial illness. Shay's mitochondrial disease is chronically progressive with no cure. The school have donated £750. The funds raised will help Shay's family build a palliative care unit at home.



The school council selected the Catholic Children Society 'Grenfell Tower Appeal' as their National charity. I am sure you will agree this is another worthwhile cause. The school raised £125.

CAFOD was our international charity and each class, democratically decided which aspect of CAFOD they wanted to support. Each class, had £30 to spend from our non-uniform days. The money used bought chickens, school equipment, immunisations and mosquito nets for children around the world.

Thank you very much to everyone for supporting our charities.

### **New to Foundation 2 Meeting**

There will be a meeting for the current Foundation 1 parents, on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July, starting at 2.30p.m. This will be your opportunity to meet the class teacher and discuss transition procedures.

### **Key Stage 2 Production**

This year, the Key Stage 2 children will be performing the play: The Rocky Monster Show. The dress rehearsal will be on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July starting at 9.30p.m. Parents with toddlers are welcome to attend the dress rehearsal. The final show will be performed on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July starting at 6.00 p.m. Two seats are reserved for each Year 6 family near the front, as it is their final play here at St Joseph's.

### **Summer Fete**

The summer fete was a great success. Thank you to everyone for coming along and supporting our summer fete. We raised £2675 profit. Thank you to Krysia and all of the parents that helped on Saturday and Sunday. It was a great day.

### **School Uniform**

I know you all will be buying new school uniform over the summer. May I remind you that all children must wear the correct school uniform. I am very proud to have your children attend St Joseph's and wear our uniform. Therefore, please ensure you buy the polo shirts and jumpers or cardigans with the school logo on. Uniform may be purchased from the school office. In addition, all children must wear black shoes only. Trainers are not permitted. Thank you for your help regarding this matter.

### **Governing Body**

Over the past term, the Governing body has reviewed a number of policies including: Child Protection, E-Safety, Homework, Anti-bullying, Behaviour & Discipline and Sex Education. If you would like to read any of our policies, please contact the office for a copy.

### **First Holy Communion**

If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion next year, please sign the First Holy Communion Register (which is located at the back of the church) after Mass on Saturday or Sunday.

### **Sunny Weather**

Please remember to send your child into school with a sun hat and apply sun-cream in the morning. School sun hats can be purchased from the office. No other hats are allowed.

### **Attendance Award**

Year 4, have won the best attendance award! Well done Year 4!

Have a lovely week.

**Linda Payne**



## Headteacher

### Diary Dates

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July  
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Year 6 Leavers' Mass 11.00a.m.  
Year 6 Barbecue 1.30pm – 3.00pm  
KS2 Dress Rehearsal at 9.30 a.m.  
New to F2 Meeting at 2.30pm (new date)  
New to Year 3 Meeting at 2.30pm (new date)  
KS2 Play at 6.00p.m