

Headteacher: Miss Helen Tyler

Dear Parents and Carers,
Newsletter No. 23 – Summer Term

Friday 14th June 2019

ATTENDANCE - w/c 3rd June to w/c 10th June

During last 2 weeks it was Year 5 who achieved the highest attendance with 97.6% Well done Year 5 for exceeding our minimum target of 96%. We are still below the set target, with an average of just 94.1% across the school.

Also a total of **54** late marks were recorded during the past 2 weeks, which is disappointing. Please ensure you arrive in good time to allow your child to settle in for the day and begin independent tasks which are set by teachers first thing in the morning.

We must stress the importance of good attendance. Please ensure that no holidays are booked in term-time, as these will NOT be authorised. Also please note that no absences due to illness will be authorised immediately prior or after the school holidays unless a medical proof is provided.

Year Group	% Present
Nursery	92.5%
Reception	94.5%
Year 1	94.4%
Year 2	94.3%
Year 3	92.3%
Year 4	95.9%
Year 5	97.6%
Year 6	94.9%

On 22nd July we will be celebrating a Whole School Attendance Assembly. Children who have reached or exceeded the 96% attendance target will receive certificates and one child will be randomly selected from each key stage to receive a family cinema voucher. We also have medals for children who have maintained 100% attendance throughout the year and a very special prize for 1 lucky child and their family.

SCHOOL VISITS



A letter was sent out earlier this week regarding Year 5 and Year 6 attending performance of the 'Life of Christ' at the Wintershall Estate in Surrey on Friday 21st June. Please ensure the £10 contribution is paid online via ParentPay by the end of this week. We know this will be an amazing experience for all who attend. Further details will be sent out shortly regarding timings but please be aware that this will be a long day with an early start and later pick up time, due to the travel and traffic involved.

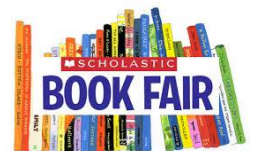
STRUCTURED CONVERSATIONS

You can find the dates for the end of the year Structured conversations at the bottom of the Newsletter. Please make sure you sign up for one of the slots available. Sign-up sheets for KS1 are located outside the classrooms, KS2 sign-up sheets can be found on the tables outside the hall.

Please speak to your child's teacher to arrange alternative meeting date if you're unable to attend one of the allocated days.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair over the last week. We will inform you of the total money made in the next newsletter.



EYFS Graduation- DATE CHANGE

Due to unforeseen circumstances Nursery and Reception 'Graduation' has been moved to 12th July 2019. We look forward to enjoying this event with you all. A letter will follow with full details shortly.

RE HOMEWORK – due by Friday 28th June

Next week we are focussing on the theme of 'Peace' as a whole school. It is also a week designated as World Refugee Week. For the whole school RE Homework, therefore, please support your child with the following:

EYFS - Make/draw a picture symbolising peace from a story in the bible

KS1 - Think about inner peace and where we feel peaceful. Children need to write and illustrate a prayer about peace

KS2 - Think about these questions - What is war? What is peace? Who are refugees?

Task 1: Children need to answer these questions in detail

Task 2: Write and draw a list of important items (at least 6 things) which you would take if you had to flee your home quickly. Years 5 and 6 should write a short explanation as to why you have chosen your items



In addition, we would very much encourage and request that you look at the 'Catholic Life' section of our school website, especially for new items. There are also lots of games and activities for children on the CAFOD website at: <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Kidz-Zone>

UNICEF – THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

As part of Peace Week / Refugee Week, the children will be welcoming visitors from Pax Christi, Amnesty International and will be learning about how they can become peacemakers! We have attached a document which summarises the UN Charter for the Rights of the Child. Although this may look daunting at first glance, it would be amazing if families could look at this together.



ADOREMUS MASS AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

We have been given six special invitations by the Diocese of Westminster for an Adoremus Mass to celebrate the end of Our Eucharistic Journey initiative and the beginning of a long lasting legacy. The mass will take place on 18th June at 10:30am in Westminster Cathedral and Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be leading the celebration. Representing the school will be St Joseph's Archangels and we ask them to keep the family of St Joseph's in their prayers.

PARENT PRAYERS – Thank you to everyone who came along to the prayer meeting. Thanks also to Miss Stewart who delivered a presentation on Maths Calculation Policy.

MATHS CALCULATION POLICY

You will find a set of calculation guides for the four operations of maths attached to this weeks newsletter. We have made these calculation documents for parents in order to give you a clear guide as to the equipment, visuals and methods your child will be using in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. These guides show you the progression in each of the four operations from Early years to year 6 at our school. Feedback from parents and staff highlighted that as well as continued workshops, parents felt the need for a document like this which shows the exact written methods the children would be encourage to record at school and thus help with parent support at home. Thank you in advance for using these documents in order to support your child's maths. The following website will support you in your own Maths subject knowledge which will further help you with supporting your own children- www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

Our chosen tweet from the Pope this week reminds us that we should always be grateful for our good fortune and be generous with everything that we have, for the benefit of others:

*"Give freely that which you have received freely,
so that God's graces may reach the hearts of all."*



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



A reminder that school-run clubs are starting next week and will run for a total of five weeks, i.e. up until the week ending 19th July 2019. We have a few spaces remaining in one or two clubs; please contact Miss Plivda in the office if you are interested. Payment should be made by the end of next week via ParentPay online. Thank you.

ESAFETY NEWSLETTER

Please see the newsletter attached for information about E-Safety to help you support your children and navigate safety through the world of the internet and social media.

SCHOOL FUNDING LETTER FROM CAMDEN HEADTEACHERS

You will all have received a letter signed by many of the headteachers in the Camden Borough. In response, should you wish to contact your local councillor or MP, the following links may be helpful:

<https://www.parliament.uk/get-involved/contact-your-mp/>

<https://www.writetothem.com/>



BUILDING FUND

Thank you to those who have been making regular or ad-hoc contributions to our school building fund. As a reminder, voluntary aided schools such as ours are obliged to contribute 10% of any capital project. Donations can be made via ParentPay online at any time and completing a Gift Aid Declaration (if you are a UK taxpayer) can increase your donation by 28p for every £1.00. Please give

whatever you can and, if your work involves any corporate organisations who could be a possible benefactor, please do put them in touch with Mrs Blanchfield!

SUMMER TERM DATES

A list of the main events for the remainder of the summer term follows. It will be updated as the weeks progress. Please keep an eye on further newsletters for any additions or revisions.

Kind regards,

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Miss Helen Tyler
Headteacher

SUMMER TERM 2019

Summer Term 2019	
Monday 17 th June 2019	Year 6 PGL Parents' meeting
Thursday 20 th June	Year 2 visit to Keats House
Friday 21 st June	Reception Family Prayer
Friday 21 st June	Year 3 Structured Conversations
Tuesday 25 th June 2019	Reception visit to Little Angel Theatre
Tuesday 25 th June 2019	Year 2 visit to Coram's Fields
Tuesday 25 th June 2019	Nursery visit to Wetlands Centre
Tuesday 25 th June 2019	Year 4 visit to Synagogue
Tuesday 25 th June 2019	Year 4 and Year 5 Metrobank Workshops
Wednesday 26 th June 2019	Year 2 visit to Synagogue
Wednesday 26 th June 2019	Year 5 & Nursery Structured Conversations
Wednesday 26 th June 2019 pm	New Nursery Parent Welcome meeting
Thursday 27 th June 2019	Year 5 visiting Crick Institute
Thursday 27 th June 2019	Year 3 visit to Keats House
Friday 28 th June 2019 to Monday 1 st July	Year 6 PGL trip
Friday 28 th June 2019	Year 5 & Nursery Structured Conversations



Friday 28 th June 2019	Year 2 Family Prayers
Monday 1 st July 2019	Year 5 visiting St Anselm & St Cæcilia
Monday 1 st July 2019	Year 4 Structured Conversations
Tuesday 2 nd July 2019	Year 3 Structured Conversations
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Year 4 visiting St Anselm & St Cæcilia
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Year 2 and Year 6 Structured Conversations
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Reception Class (2019/20) Parent Welcome meeting
Thursday 4 th July 2019	Year 4 Structured Conversations
Friday 5 th July 2019	Year 6 visiting St Anselm & St Cæcilia
Friday 5 th July 2019	Nursery Family Prayer
Tuesday 9 th July 2019	Reception and Year 1 Structured Conversations
Wednesday 10 th July 2019	Summer Concert
Wednesday 10 th July 2019	Welcome afternoon for new pupils in Nursery and Reception
Thursday 11 th July 2019	Year 2 and Year 6 Structured Conversations
Friday 12 th July 2019	EYFS Graduation
Monday 15 th July to Friday 19 th July 2019	Active Week
Monday 15 th July	Reception and Year 1 Structured Conversations
Wednesday 17 th July 2019	Sports Day
Tuesday 23 rd July 2019	Term ends at 1.15 pm
SUMMER BREAK	
Monday 2 nd September 2019	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Children return to school