



3rd May 2016

Dear Parents,

SATs Tests

Next week the Year 6 children will be doing their SAT tests from Monday to Thursday and we wish them well.

Monday 9 May English: Reading

Tuesday 10 May English: grammar, punctuation and spelling 2 papers: spelling; punctuation and grammar (including vocabulary)

Wednesday 11 May Mathematics 2 papers: arithmetic; mathematical reasoning

Thursday 12 May Mathematics 1 paper: mathematical reasoning

You may well be aware that the authorities have removed a testing requirement for Year 2 Grammar Punctuation and Spelling as the spelling test was published on the internet in error. The Year Two children will be doing their tests in reading and maths later this month and writing will be assessed by the teacher.

Miss Smith Mr Smith Morning maths Club

Year 2 staff will be running a maths club for Year 2 pupils. See separate letter.

Moving a Mile for Muscles Money

Congratulations to Mrs Lisa Hesketh (mother of Daisy and Jacob who completed the London Marathon in 4 hours 34mins. If you have any outstanding sponsor money for Muscular Dystrophy UK, please hand it in to the school office. Many thanks.

Letter from Sacred Heart

In their most recent Section 48 RE Inspection Sacred Heart Catholic College was graded Outstanding. We have attached a letter from Mr Walker on the reverse of this newsletter.

Punctuality

Mr Doran will be locking the gates at 9.00am so latecomers will have to come to the front entrance of the school. Please make every effort to ensure that your children arrive at school for 8.50am to facilitate a prompt registration process.

Nursery

There are some vacancies for our afternoon nursery so please contact Mrs Clayton if you need a place for your three year old or know of a family who are looking for a place.

Reception Admissions September 2016

Ms Bowden will be arranging nursery visits to our new Reception pupils' current nurseries in the coming weeks. Our planned Reception Meeting for Parents will be on 21st June at 2.30pm in the hall.

Attendance Matters 25/04/16 – 29/04/16

We take a very keen interest in school attendance issues. Well done to Reception Ms Bowden and Y5 6 Mrs McAnespy's classes for your attendance on the last week – 99.3% is equally wonderful!

Ms Bowden Reception	99.3%
Mrs Lennon Rec Year R 1L	96.3%
Mrs Greaney Year 1G	97.3%
Mr Smith Year 2T	94.8%
Miss Smith Year 2S	95.2%
Mrs Ashcroft Year 3A	98.1%
Mrs Farrell Year 3 / 4F	96.8%
Mrs Sugden Year 4Su	94.1%
Mrs Metcalfe Year 5M	97.1%
Mrs McAnespy Year 5 /6 Mc	99.3%
Mrs Priestley Year 6P	94.1%

Our attendance rates over the course of a year could be much better and we appeal to everybody to ensure that all children aims for high rates of attendance. The school will not authorise holidays in term time.

E Safety Meeting for Parents

We have arranged for a leading expert on e- safety matters to meet with the staff on Monday 20th June 2016. He will also meet with you in the early evening on this day– time to be confirmed. He will talk about issues relating to internet safety, social networking and keeping your children safe so I hope you will find this very informative.

Spring Bingo

£170 profit was made at the Spring Bingo. Thanks go to everyone who supported the event.

Next PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting will be Tuesday 10th May at 3.30pm in the room opposite the school office.

Sacramental Programme St Edmund's Parish Children

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Holy Communion at St Edmund's on Saturday and Sunday. The next First Holy Communion celebration will be at St Thomas' Church on Saturday 14th May at 1.00pm.

Halle Orchestra

We have been invited to "Come and Play with The Halle" will take place at the Bridgewater Hall in Manchester on June 22nd (pm). This is an opportunity for all our Year 6 pupils involved in Sefton Music Service Programmes to participate in a concert performed by one of the world's leading orchestras at one of the best concert halls in Europe.

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