

Saint Edmund's and Saint Thomas' Parents' Newsletter



24th May 2016

Dear Parents, Science Family Learning

Thanks to all the parents who attended the science family learning in the infant classes last week. Thanks to our older children who came along to help out too.

Cricket Win

Congratulations to the children who won the cricket festival yesterday and there is a further cricket fixture for Year 6 pupils on 8th June.

Sacred Heart Transition Arrangements

Staff at Sacred Heart will be meeting with our Year 6 staff soon to determine arrangements for next years' Year Seven cohort. All Year 6 pupils will be attending Sacred Heart on **Wednesday 22nd June** unless they are attending other secondary schools.

Rearranged Family Learning dates: Year Six 23rd June 2016 2.15pm Year Five 24th June 2.15pm

Year 5 and 6 pupils look forward to welcoming you to science family learning on these rearranged dates.

Half term Holiday

School finishes for the half term holiday on Friday 27^{th} May 2016. Please note that there will be a staff training day on Monday 6^{th} June 2016 so the children will return on Tuesday 7^{th} June.

Warm Weather

Please encourage your child to bring a sun hat to school during hot weather. On sunny / warm Fridays, PTA have agreed to sell lollies at the end of the school day.

Year Six Retreat at St Thomas'

Fr Dominic Curran has kindly agreed to organise a retreat day for all the Year Six children at St Thomas' Church on Thursday 7th July 2016.

Named Uniforms

Please note that we ask everyone to permanently mark names in items of school uniform. Please check your child's garment's labels to ensure that it is his/hers and has not been mistakenly taken home. Thank you.

Attendance Matters 09/05/16 - 13/05/16

We take a very keen interest in school attendance issues. Well done to Year 2S Miss Smith and class for your attendance on the last week ending 13/05 – 99.5% is fantastic!

Ms Bowden Reception	95.3%
Mrs Lennon Rec Year R 1L	98%
Mrs Greaney Year 1G	97.3%
Mr Smith Year 2T	98.6%
Miss Smith Year 2S	99.5 %
Mrs Ashcroft Year 3A	98.1%
Mrs Farrell Year 3 / 4F	94.8%
Mrs Sugden Year 4Su	96.9%
Mrs Metcalfe Year 5M	98.9%
Mrs McAnespy Year 5 /6 Mc	98.3%
Mrs Priestley Year 6P	97.8%

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.

PTA Infant and Junior Discos

There will be a disco for infants on Thursday 16th June from 3.30 -5.00pm and for juniors on the same day from 5.30 – 7.00pm.

Sacramental Programme St Thomas' Parish Children

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Holy Communion and received the sacrament of Confirmation at St Thomas' Church on Saturday 14th May. It was a lovely occasion, supported by a small choir of pupils from our school.

Halle Orchestra Year Five

Year Five children will now be playing with the Halle Orchestra on 22nd June at Bridgewater Hall Manchester. A letter will be circulated this week. We had originally planned for Year 6 to attend this trip but it coincided with Y6 Transition Day where all Year 6 pupils meet Sacred Heart as a key preparation for their onward move to secondary school.

Music Project Year Six

The children in Year Six are preparing for a concert on 5th July at Sacred Heart and they are engaged in a singing project with Mr Stuart Overington from Sefton Music Service.. Further details to follow.

Wally Cain Dance Performance

Our Year Two children (2S) will be performing in the Wally Cain Dance Festival on 23rd June at The Floral Hall Southport. We wish them every success.

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