



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary & Nursery Voluntary Academy



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Newsletter 3: 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021

I hope you all had a good weekend and enjoyed the unexpected but pleasant autumnal sun.

This week the children will complete their topic learning with their expert endings in a variety of ways- videos, experience days, knowledge dumps, creating topic quizzes etc. Thank you for your support especially in helping our new staff members to settle into school, I know they have appreciated your welcome and support.

This week we will also have a strong focus on educating our children in understanding what Peer on Peer abuse is and providing them with the knowledge they need to protect themselves and where they can get help and support.

Have a very happy and safe half term break, see you all in November!

Kind regards,

*Tracy Lane*

Headteacher



## Attendance

Our Education Welfare Officer, Mrs Bradshaw, monitors attendance daily and continues to make home visits to support parents to ensure their child attends school regularly and on time.

**Please remember that as a parent/carer you must provide school with a reason for any absences or time needed out of school and provide school with a copy of any official paperwork related to the absence e.g. for medical appointments, legal appointments, etc. It is also academy policy that you complete a leave of absence request form in advance of any planned absences e.g. to celebrate a significant faith event e.g. Eid, or for legal appointments. Without this paperwork your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised and will therefore impact on their overall attendance and could result in a fine or legal action. This has always been academy policy and the vast majority of parents/carers do always provide this in advance of any appointments.**

**Taking holidays in school time is not allowed and will result in you being fined by the local authority. Fines are significant and are issued for each parent for each child in the family.**

We want to work with you to ensure continuous regular attendance and good punctuality and if you need support with this please let us know. Poor attendance or punctuality significantly impacts on children's education and they have already had so much time out of school as a result of covid.

**Message from Mrs Bradshaw:** Punctuality has dipped a little this week, I know the mornings are becoming darker but remember to set that alarm!

The winners of this week's attendance are.....

**Year 6 with 99% and 3 late marks!**

A close second was **Year 2** and **Year 4** both with **98% and 3 late marks!**

Keep it up everyone!

WEEK	SCHOOL EVENT	ASSEMBLIES/LITURGIES	AFTER SCHOOL 3.20-5pm
6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<p>Aspirations Week: visiting speakers from the community coming in across the week to talk to the children about their roles in life.</p> <p><b>Tues Yr 4 Partake- Romans</b> <b>Fri Yr 3 Visit to Nottingham castle</b></p>	<p><b>Weekly liturgies are as follows:</b> <b>Monday-</b> whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm  <b>Tuesday-</b> Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM  <b>Wednesday-</b> Chaplaincy Liturgy Whole School- 2.45PM  <b>Thursday-</b> House or Class Assembly  <b>Friday-</b> Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM</p>	<p><b>Please book places at breakfast or after school clubs at:</b>  <a href="http://www.tbsport.uk/bookings-stpats">http://www.tbsport.uk/bookings-stpats</a></p> <p><b>No after school clubs on Fridays due to limited parental need.</b></p>
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<p>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> CAFOD Go Green Assembly</p> <p><b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept Class Photos- please come in full school uniform</b></p>	<p><b>Weekly liturgies are as follows:</b> <b>Monday-</b> whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm  <b>Tuesday-</b> Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM  <b>Wednesday-</b> Chaplaincy Liturgy Whole School- 2.45PM  <b>Thursday-</b> House or Class Assembly  <b>Friday-</b> Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM</p>	<p><b>After School Clubs Include:</b>  3.20pm Registration  Toys &amp; Games  3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport  4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play  4.35pm until 5pm Circle Games or Sport</p>
20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<p>Tues 21<sup>st</sup> House Saints Liturgy  Who are they? What did they do?</p>	<p><b>Weekly liturgies are as follows:</b> <b>Monday-</b> whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm  <b>Tuesday-</b> Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM  <b>Wednesday-</b> Chaplaincy Liturgy Whole School- 2.45PM  <b>Thursday-</b> House or Class Assembly  <b>Friday-</b> Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM</p>	<p><b>After School Clubs Include:</b>  3.20pm Registration  Toys &amp; Games  3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport  4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play  4.35pm until 5pm Circle Games or Sport</p>
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4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<p><b>St Francis Hub Mass</b>  <b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> World Mental Health Day</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct Individual &amp; Group pupil school photos. Full School Uniform please.</b></p>	<p><b>Weekly liturgies are as follows:</b> <b>Monday-</b> whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm  <b>Tuesday-</b> Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM  <b>Wednesday-</b> Chaplaincy Liturgy Whole School- 2.45PM  <b>Thursday-</b> House or Class Assembly  <b>Friday-</b> Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM</p>	<p><b>After School Clubs Include:</b>  3.20pm Registration  Toys &amp; Games  3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport  4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play  4.35pm until 5pm Circle Games or Sport</p>
11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<p><b>13<sup>th</sup> October Whole School Mass in school 1.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Weekly liturgies are as follows:</b>  <b>Monday-</b> KS 1 &amp; EYFS, KS 2 Peer on Peer Abuse Bullying  <b>Tuesday-</b> KS 2 Peer on Peer Abuse Sexual Harassment  <b>Wednesday-</b> KS 2 Peer on Peer Abuse Consent  <b>Thursday-</b> House Assembly  <b>Friday-</b> Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM</p>	<p><b>After School Clubs Include:</b>  3.20pm Registration  Toys &amp; Games  3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport  4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play  4.35pm until 5pm Circle Games or Sport</p>

## HALF TERM HOLIDAY MONDAY 18th October– SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> October

### Our Statement to Live By this Week is...

*I understand that rights come with responsibilities.*

### This Week's Mission has been chosen by ...

Show your responsibility to be well behaved in lessons matches your right to education.

### Word of the Week: **DIVERSITY**

Black History Month gives everyone the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of black heritage and culture. It also serves as a reminder of the incredible beauty of our diverse communities. It inspires us to celebrate our differences and recognise that we are all unique and important parts of the Body of Christ. Think this week about what you bring to your community and just how much you receive from others around you

## WELLINGTON BOOTS

Mrs Sarno & Mrs Cannell ask that all children in the EYFS bring a pair of wellies to wear outdoors especially now the autumnal weather is here. This will protect their lovely school shoes that you have paid so much for.

Nursery and reception desperately need any wellington boots that your child may have grown out of especially in sizes 10, 11, 12.



## Parent Consultation Day

We have moved our planned parent consultation day to Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November. We are hoping that infection rates will reduce and we can hold the meetings in person. Appointment letters will be sent out this week.

## Year 5 World War II Evacuation Day

This week on Thursday year 5 will be experiencing an 'evacuation day' in school. The children will be building air raid shelters, will experience an air raid and will carry out other home front activities. If you need another copy of the letter sent out by Mrs Harris, please download one from our website. If your child usually brings their own packed lunch but would like a school WWII packed lunch for the day please book one at the office by end of day Monday. Children have been invited to come in costume for the day but please don't go to extra expense.



## Year 3 Trip to Cresswell Craggs

On January 12<sup>th</sup>, Year 3 will be going to Cresswell Craggs to begin their learning about the Stone Age Period. A letter will go out this week with more information. It's a great day out and wonderful way to find out more about this period of history with first hand exploration.



## Vaping & Smoking

This is a polite reminder that vaping and smoking is not allowed on school premises. Please be careful if you are carrying a vape pen, lighter, matches or cigarettes that you have them securely stored away when on school grounds. Last week a child picked up a vape pen in the playground that had been dropped by a parent. The grounds are checked before and after school by Mr Etches but not while parents are arriving so we ask for your help to prevent this happening again.

## Mass in School

*This week we will be celebrating mass in school with Fr Wilfred. We will keep you all in our prayers so that next time we will be able to invite you all into school to join us for mass.*

## Year 6 Briars Residential

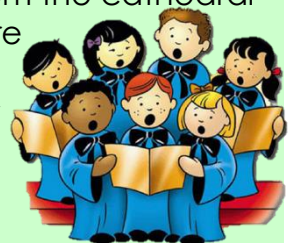
Thank you to parents who attended the information evening for their year 6 child this half term.

The deposit for the Briars residential trip is due no later than Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October this week please - £30.00 per child.

Please make the payment on the My Ed App; if you need help please speak to Mrs Tyson in the school office any morning this week.

## Nottingham Cathedral Carol Service

This year, Year 4 & 5 are involved in Cathedral Choir sessions each week with Gregory Treloar, the choir master from the cathedral. It has been absolutely fantastic to see how much they have enjoyed these weekly choir sessions. The children have been invited to take part in the cathedral carol service on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December which we are very excited about and is a great opportunity for the children. Miss Lane, Mrs Cannell and I will take the children to the cathedral for a 2.30pm rehearsal. The carol service will begin at 6pm and parents are invited to attend. You will need to collect your child from the cathedral at 7pm. We will send out more information after half term, please do join us, it's a lovely way to start the Christmas celebrations.





## PANTS Programme EYFS & KS 1

In our PSHE lessons next half term, we will be discussing the NSPCC's Underwear Rule. This is designed to teach pupils how to stay safe from sexual abuse, without giving explicit information or telling scary stories or even using the term "sexual abuse."

In the lessons, children will learn about the 'PANTS' acrostic, which stands for:

- Privates are private
- Always remember your body belongs to you
- No means no
- Talk about secrets that upset you
- Speak up, someone can help



The lessons will be delivered in a way that's fully age-appropriate.

More information about the Underwear Rule, including a short film and a parent guide can be found at:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

## Peer on Peer Abuse

Peer-on-peer abuse includes, but is not limited to:

- physical and sexual abuse.
- sexual harassment and violence.
- emotional harm.
- on and offline bullying.
- teenage relationship abuse

Peer-on-peer sexual abuse is sexual abuse that happens between children of a similar age or stage of development. It can happen between any number of children, and can affect any age group.

It can be harmful to the children who display it as well as those who experience it.

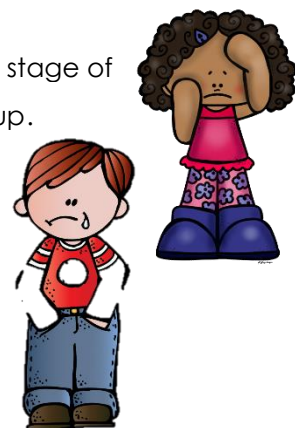
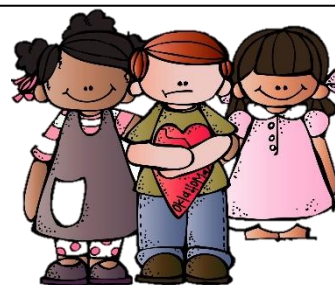
**Children can experience peer-on-peer sexual abuse in a wide range of settings, including:**

- at school
- at home or in someone else's home
- in public spaces
- online

**This week we will be working with the children to educate them in an age appropriate way to:**

- know what peer on peer abuse is,
- know it is not tolerated in school or at home,
- know what consent is,
- give them the language and confidence to say no to peer on peer abuse,
- know who they can tell if they experience peer on peer abuse,
- know that they will be believed, listened to and helped.

**If you have any questions or would like to know more please contact Mrs Lane at school.**



## Break Time Snacks

Children in early years and KS 1 are provided with fruit each day as a healthy mid-morning snack.  
Children in KS 2 are welcome to bring a snack for break time but **this must be a healthy snack** e.g. a piece of fruit, oat based breakfast bar (not cereal based- rice krispie bar or anything containing traces of nuts.

Please don't bring biscuits, chocolate, sweets, crisps, muffins, cereal bars or anything high in sugar or fats as a snack please. If your child brings anything other than fruit or oat based breakfast bar, we will send the item home with them.

## Secondary School Applications

If you have a child in year 6 please be aware that you need to complete your application for their secondary school by **31<sup>st</sup> October**. This should be done online via the admissions portal.

A few points to remember:

- **Always apply to more than one school**
- List the schools in order of preference
- If applying to a faith school, also submit a supplementary form which can be accessed on the website of the school you are applying to.
- For a faith school include a baptism certificate.

## Coronavirus Symptomatic Pupils

If you or your child develops coronavirus symptoms: a high temperature, a new or continuous cough, loss or change of sense of smell or taste please take the following advice.

- Symptomatic person must self-isolate and book a PCR test.
- Book a test for the child/parent and please let school know the results as soon as you have them.
- If the child/parent **tests negative** and are well, have no symptoms, they can stop isolating and return to school.
- If a person **tests positive** for COVID-19, they must self-isolate for 10 days and return to school only when well enough and they no longer have a temperature.
- The household do not need to isolate if they have had both vaccinations or are under 18 years and 6 months old unless they are symptomatic in which case they should take a PCR test at a test centre.

### Booking a Test:

- If parents struggle to use the internet or don't have internet access they can 119 for help in booking a test.
- Contact <https://111.nhs.uk/COVID-19> or call 111 if at any point symptoms get worse

### **Nursery Places**

If you would like a place for your child in our amazing nursery, please collect and complete an application form from the school office. Morning places are free for all 3 and 4 year olds receiving a 15 hours code and free all day places are available for those eligible for the 30 hours code. You must apply now for a code. We also offer full day places to all children if parents would like to pay for afternoon sessions and top up their free 15 hours places. The cost will be £77 per week paid in advance via online payments. Please contact the office or Mrs Sarno if this is something you'd be interested in.

### **Breakfast & After School Clubs**

TB Sports provide breakfast and after school clubs in school daily. Breakfast club begins from 7.30-8.45am after which the children are taken to class. After school clubs run from the end of the school day until 5pm. Please book directly at: <http://www.tbsport.uk/bookings-stpats> Payments must be made within 7 days of booking or the booking will be cancelled.

### **Parish Newsletter**

The link to this week's parish newsletter is:

<https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/87adf8a7-e8dd-4e72-8c4f-49b936f8cd13/downloads/Newsletter%2010th%20October%2021.pdf?ver=1633720075252>

### **FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATIONS**

We know that many parents may be entitled to claim Free School Meals but don't apply especially if their children are in EYFS or KS 1.

Please do make an application for free school meals as school will receive additional funding for your child which will greatly help to provide extra resources.

**Any parent who completes an application for Free School Meals via the website:**

<https://ololcmat.co.uk/ppcheck>

**and is successful in being awarded it, will receive a £10 S&A uniform voucher for their children.**

It costs you nothing to apply but will help your child and school if you are successful.

If you have any further questions about anything in the newsletter please call school on 0115 9152961 or email the admin team on [admin@st-patricks.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-patricks.nottingham.sch.uk) and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

If you have a **safeguarding concern** about a child please contact Mr Slight, Mrs Lane or Miss Lane in person, by telephone or email.

Alternatively, you can call Children and Families Direct 0115 876 4800 or NSPCC [0808 800 5000](https://www.nspcc.org.uk)