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Dear Parents & Carers,

Last week our Year 2 students undertook the national assessments SATS tests. This was the culmination of their hard work and efforts during their time in EYFS & KS 1. Well done to all our young children who approached the tests calmly and carefully - thank you to staff for their support and Mr Les Sullivan, one of our foundation governors, who came in to school to moderate the delivery of the SATs papers as did Mrs Whitehall for KS 2 SATS.

After half term, Year 1 begin their national phonics assessments and in June Year 1 and Year 4 undertake the national timetables assessments. Please ensure your child is in school every day and on time so we can prepare them academically as well as emotionally for what is to come to enable them to be the best they can be.

Have a happy, relaxing and safe half term holiday.

Many thanks for all that you do to help.

Have a good week,
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:

I hope you all have a lovely half term holiday next week and take that as an opportunity to go away as a family if possible so that you are all ready for a new school term of good attendance and punctuality in June and July.

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

Year 2 with 99.3%. This is brilliant Year 2 keep up the good work!

Year 4 came second with a fantastic 98.7%!

A HUGE WELL DONE to all those children who attended every day last week!

NO HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME PLEASE!

Mrs Bradshaw x



WEEK	SCHOOL EVENT	ASSEMBLIES/LITURGIES	AFTER SCHOOL 3.20-5.30pm
19 th April	Yr 4 Retreat afternoon Friday PM Curling- Free Taster Session Yr 5 & 6 Friday Yr 2 NFER Maths Test	Weekly liturgies are as follows: Monday- school closed Tuesday- whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm Wednesday- Yr 4 Retreat- Eastertide Thursday- In class liturgy Friday- Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM	Please book places at breakfast or after school clubs at: http://www.tbsport.uk/bookings-stpats
25 th April	Magic Maths Clubs Begins after school Mondays for 5 weeks Monday Sharewear Charity Launch Tuesday Yr 3 Partake Living History Company Mayans	Weekly liturgies are as follows: Monday- SHAREWEAR ASSEMBLY Tuesday- Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM Wednesday- Yr 3 Retreat- Missionary Discipleship Thursday- In class liturgy Friday- Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM	After School Clubs Include: 3.20pm Registration Toys & Games 3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport 4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play 4.35pm until 5.30pm Circle Games or Sport Didi Rugby Magic Maths Monday
2 nd May YR 2 SATS	Tuesday Parents' Consultation Afternoon/Evening 1-7pm Thursday Yr 4 Partake Living History Company Ancient Greeks Thursday World Maths Day Friday PM Curling- Free Taster Session Yr 3 & 4	Weekly liturgies are as follows: Monday- whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm Tuesday- Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM Wednesday- Yr 1 Retreat- May the Month of Mary Thursday- House Assembly Friday- Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM	After School Clubs Include: 3.20pm Registration Toys & Games 3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport 4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play 4.35pm until 5.30pm Circle Games or Sport Didi Rugby Thursday Magic Maths Monday
9 th May YR 6 SATS WEEK	Monday Local Governing Body Meeting 6pm	Weekly liturgies are as follows: Monday- whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm Tuesday- Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM Wednesday- Thursday- Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45 Friday- Science Week Assembly	After School Clubs Include: 3.20pm Registration Toys & Games 3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport 4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play 4.35pm until 5.30pm Circle Games or Sport Didi Rugby Thursday Magic Maths Monday
16 th May YR 2 SATS	Monday Becket School Staff to Visit Yr 6 for Transition	Weekly liturgies are as follows: Monday- whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm Tuesday- Liturgy through Music - 2.40PM Wednesday- Yr 5 & 6 Vocations Retreat Thursday- House Assembly Friday- Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM Yr 3 joining Becket at Mass	After School Clubs Include: 3.20pm Registration Toys & Games 3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport 4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play 4.35pm until 5.30pm Circle Games or Sport Didi Rugby Thursday Magic Maths Monday
MISSION WEEK 23 rd May	Monday Yr 6 Coping with Change Workshop PM Thursday Solemnity of the Ascension Yr 6 to Mass Jubilee Picnic on the grass	Weekly liturgies are as follows: Monday- whole school liturgy based on Sunday's Gospel- 2.30pm Tuesday- Expert Ending Wednesday- Yr 2 Retreat Pentecost Thursday- Solemnity of the Ascension Yr 6 to Mass Friday – Paired Acts of Worship all classes- 2.45PM	After School Clubs Include: 3.20pm Registration Toys & Games 3.45pm until 4.15pm Sport 4.15pm until 4.35pm Outdoor Play 4.35pm until 5.30pm Circle Games or Sport Didi Rugby Magic Maths Monday

Half Term Holiday School closed Saturday 28th May - Sunday 5th June 2022
School re-opens MONDAY 6th June 2022

Our Virtue to Live By this Week... **KINDNESS**

I know that every act of kindness helps to build God's Kingdom.

This Week's Mission has been chosen by...Year 6

Help build God's kingdom by showing or doing a random act of kindness for someone. This could involve, leaving someone a little note or giving them a compliment. Try to do this for someone you may not usually speak to.

Word of the Week: **Example**

As a Christian, we are all called to be an example and to be inspirational to other people. If only it was that easy! When Jesus ascended into heaven he gave us the job of spreading the Good News to the world and one of the best ways to do that is by being a good example. Think this week about who looks up to you and of course, who you look up to. How can you be a good role model and set a good example to those around you?

Jubilee Events

Wilford Village are holding a street event on Sunday 5th June from 1pm. There will be stalls, competitions and entertainment.

Thank you to Miss Thornhill for working with the KS 2 dance group who will be performing on the day. Come along and celebrate with us all this historic event.

Car Park

Please use the path when dropping off and collecting from 'before and after school clubs'. Do not wait in or cross the car park.

The car park is in use at all times and we have a number of children who have run across the car park as staff are leaving/arriving. This is incredibly dangerous and an unnecessary risk.

Similarly, if parking outside school please make sure it is in the parking bay or the tram car park as everywhere else blocks the car park sensors and staff can't get into school.

Please keep yourself and your child safe. Staff can not be held responsible for any accidents involving a child or adult in the car park before or after school.

Becket Opening Evening

The Becket School are holding an event on Wednesday 8th June from 6.30-7.30pm for parents of pupils in Yr 6 going to Becket in September. **Please do attend, it is very important.**

School Uniform

Please take some time over the half term break to check your child's school shoes still fit. This would be a good time to buy new school shoes for the last half term which is eight weeks long. Please do not send your child to school in trainers, unless it is a PE day, they are not school uniform.

We have been told by some parents, that some children hide their shoes at home as they want to come in trainers. Children regularly coming in trainers will miss breaktimes.

Please let your child's teacher know if there is an emergency reason why they don't have their school shoes on a particular day as a one off.
Thank you for your support.

Cycle & Scooter Safety

It is fantastic that so many children cycle or scooter to school each day. It's great for the environment and supports a healthy lifestyle- thank you.

Children must wear a well-fitting cycle helmet and ensure they cycle alongside parents please to ensure they are safe on their journey.



**NO HELMET,
NO CYCLING/SCOOTERING
TO SCHOOL**

Thank You & Goodbye

It is with many thanks and best wishes that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Jenkins at the end of term in July 2022 this year. Mrs Jenkins has worked as part of the year 1 team fantastically this year and is leaving to spend more time with her family. Miss Emma Long will be taking over year 1 in September.

May Mission Week

This week the Our Lady of Lourdes Trust will join together once again as a community to celebrate 'May Mission week'. The theme for the week will be '**We are inspired by Mary's love for God**'.

Across the week pupils and staff across all schools in the trust will explore different pieces of scripture where Mary is present, undertake activities inspired by Mary's love, as well as reflect on the words that form our Trust prayer. For more information please visit the beinspirational.com website.

The OLOL community will join together online on Thursday at 11:25 to celebrate Mass – The following QR code will take you to the youtube channel where the Mass can be viewed



Names in Uniform Items

Now the weather is getting warmer, children want to take off their hoodies and jumpers in school. Please make sure your child has their name written in all items of clothing so we can return any lost items to them quickly.



DO DONATE:

General Clothing (all ages)
Shoes
Coats
Packs Of New Underwear
Duvet Sets & Sheets
Towels

DON'T DONATE:

Duvets
Pillows
Handbags
Jewellery & Accessories
Anything that isn't clothing or light bedding

The charity is only able to accept clothing that is still in clean, good condition please.



SUN HATS & SUN CREAM

We are due to have some lovely sunny weather in the coming weeks. Please send your child to school wearing sun cream and a sun hat, with their name in it, to protect them when outside.

This is especially important for children in nursery and reception who spend much of their time outside in good weather.

We are not allowed to put sun cream on children so please do this before they come to school.

Jubilee Celebration Picnic

On Friday 27th May, we will be hosting a Jubilee Picnic on the grass to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

For this celebration we are asking pupils and staff to dress in the colours of the Union Flag (red, white and blue) or dress as royalty and come ready for an afternoon of dancing, singing, fun and games.

School Meals will be picnic lunch for the children, which we hope to enjoy as a school community on the grass – let's hope the weather is fine!

We very much look forward to sharing our Jubilee celebrations with you on twitter at the end of the week.

Coronavirus Symptomatic Pupils and Household Members

The government has released updated guidance for schools, which takes effect from Friday 1 April 2022. The key messages are listed here:

- *adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature*
- *children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend*
- *adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days*

Key Message for parents and Carers:

If your child has symptoms of Covid-19 **and** has a high temperature, they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They should only return to school when they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to return.

I know that many of you are disappointed that COVID-19 is still impacting on life, but it is important that we all follow these guidelines, for the safety and well-being of everyone in the school and wider communities.

Breakfast & After School Clubs

TB Sport 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 5.30pm Mon-Thurs.

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.

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.

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 £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.

Parish Newsletter

The link to this week's parish newsletter is:

[Newsletters \(olspnottingham.com\)](https://olspnottingham.com)

Safe Car Parking

Please use the Ferry Inn car park or the tram car park for dropping off and collection. If these are full, as a last resort, use the marked bays for parking outside school.

Please don't park on the road as it is causing a danger to children arriving and leaving school. The available car parks are just a few steps away from school.

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 and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

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

Alternatively, you can call Children and Families Direct 0115 876 4800 or NSPCC [0800 800 5000](https://www.nspcc.org.uk)

E-SAFETY UPDATE FROM MISS LANE

This week- Creating an '**Online safety Family Agreement**'

This week our e-safety tip comes from the children's charity NSPCC. Please read the information below about creating an online safety family agreement. This can be incredibly helpful for starting a conversation about your child's safety online and helping to set boundaries and expectations to ensure they stay safe.

Remember NSPCC also offers free advice or if you're worried about your child, you can contact the trained helpline counsellors on 0808 800 5000. You can also discuss any safeguarding concerns with our designated safeguarding leads in school: Mrs Lane, Miss Moody and Miss Lane.

What to think about and questions to ask

- What are the **different things you each go online for**? It could be research for school work, keeping in touch with friends, or gaming.
- What are the **favourite apps or sites** each person uses?
- How does each family member **access the internet** – via a phone, tablet, or something different?
- Are there things that any of you are doing online that are worrying or **affecting others**? Think about time spent online, is it interfering with family life such as meal times?
- How do you talk** about online safety with your child – is it negative or positive?
- How many **devices in your house** are connected to the internet? Can you go on a hunt to count them and see if you each come up with the same amount!

Basics

- Sharing** – what is being shared and with who? Think about what pictures and videos show, and what is being included in messages.
- Content** – are the games, apps and chat sites suitable for the person using them? You should remember that what is suitable for one person in the household might not be suitable for another.
- Chat** – what should your child do if someone they don't know messages them? Who are they talking to online and are they sure they are who they say they are?
- Behaviour** – does anything your child does online affect behaviour? This could be getting angry if they lose a game, or feeling anxious that they've missed a post.
- Settings** – do you have safety settings in place on broadband and wifi and on your child's devices like phones or games consoles, such as for location sharing and parental controls?

Behaviour

- There may be different agreements for different members of the household, this might be based on age, but also on ability to understand the risks and being able to deal with challenges.
- The agreement might be broken at some point, that isn't a failure, but use it as a time to talk about what has happened and why and what you can do to help keep to the agreement in future.
- You'll need to review the agreement over time. Agree how long it should be before the next review.
- Think about how you are talking about online behaviour – promote positive behaviour rather than focusing on negatives.

Remember

Once you've talked together about how your family use the internet you can use this agreement to note down what you each agree too.

Make sure your agreement works for each member of the family and you all understand that online behaviour may need to change to stick to the agreement.

