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Dear Parents & Carers,

Newsletter 20: 29th April 2019

Welcome back to a new school term. I hope you all had a very happy Easter break. This term our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils will be taking their SATS which will be the culmination of their work during their current key stage and the benchmark for the progress and attainment in the next key stage. Year 2 SATS take place from 10th May until 24th May. Key stage 2 SATS will take place during the week of 13th May. It is essential that all children are present and on time in school during these weeks as they can't be taken at another time. Our year 1 children will also be taking their phonics screening tests during the week beginning 10th June. We wish all our children the very best with the tests and tasks. Please continue to support us in school by reading and completing homework tasks with your child at home.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Tracy Lane
Headteacher



NSPCC PANTS Programme

In our PSHE lessons this 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 lesson, 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 lesson 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 nspcc.org.uk/underwearrule.

If you would like any further details or would like to discuss the programme, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Slight.

Penalty Notices

Before the Easter holidays you were sent a letter regarding the 'Isle of Wight' court decision to uphold the use of Penalty Notices and the issuing of fines for unauthorised absences over 5 days. From the start of this term, the Academy Trust with the City Council, will now be issuing penalty notices for all unauthorised absences for all pupils of 5 days or more. These will include holidays taken in term time and any other absences that have not been authorised by the Trust and the Education Welfare Officer. In addition to this, children whose attendance has dropped to 90% and below are registered as persistent absentees and any further absences are not authorised. For more information, see our Attendance Policy on our website. A hard copy of the policy can also be requested from the school office.

Charitable Giving

Inspired by Bishop Patrick's message to us to be disciples of Christ and become closer to Christ in our thoughts, words and actions, each class has chosen a charity that they wish to support throughout the rest of the year. The way in which they support the charity may take a different approach e.g. through prayer, fundraising, befriending or simply raising awareness of the good work the charity does. The children have chosen to support:

- Foundation Stage - Share Wear
- Year 1 - Save the Children
- Year 2 - Water Aid
- Year 3 - Prayers for the Children's Hospital
- Year 4 - Guide Dogs for the Blind
- Year 5 - Shelter for the Homeless
- Year 6 - Make a Wish Foundation

Thank you for supporting us to support others.

WEEK	SCHOOL EVENT	ASSEMBLIES/LITURGIES	AFTER SCHOOL 3.20-5pm
23 rd April	Yr 3 Mayans Day with Partake Wednesday 24 th Yr 1 Tiger Who Came to Tea Party Friday 26 th Parents Meeting for Yr 1 Phonics screening Friday 26 th	PLEASE NOTE ALL ACTS OF WORSHIP AND ASSEMBLIES ON FRIDAYS WILL TAKE PLACE AT 9AM. MASSES WILL START AT 2PM	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Cooking Friday Dodgeball Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm Cooking £5 per session
29 th April	Oompa Lumpa Day Monday 29 th Yr 3. Astronaut Training Day Yr 5 Volunteers in school painting cupboards in KS 1. Wednesday.	Wednesday 1 st May- Chaplaincy Team & volunteers from Yr 1 & 5- work on their charities Save the Children 2.40pm school hall	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Cooking Friday Dodgeball Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm Cooking £5 per session
6 th May	KS 2 Trim Trail Installation Tuesday 1:00 – 3:00 Smashing Tennis Roadshow – 30min sessions with Reception - Y3 Chance to Shine Cricket Road Show – Year 2 + 3 Friday Afternoon. Hall or playground.	Wednesday 8 th May- Chaplaincy Team & volunteers from Reception- Celebration 2.40pm school hall Friday House Assembly at 9am, all welcome First Holy Communion Mass Sunday 12 th May 9.30am at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday NO CLUBS Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Cooking Friday Dodgeball Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm Cooking £5 per session
13 th May KS 1 SATS	KEY STAGE 2 SATS Week SATs breakfast 8am Mon-Thurs free to year 6 Friday 17 th May FS & Yr 1 Muddy Puddle Walk	Wednesday 15 th May- Chaplaincy Team Planning FHC Mass with year 3	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Cooking Friday Dodgeball Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm Cooking £5 per session
20 th May KS 1 SATS		First Holy Communion Mass Wednesday 22 nd May, 2pm in school Friday House Assembly at 9am, all welcome	FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS Yr R- 6 Monday Zumba Tuesday Football Coaching Wednesday Arts & Clay Thursday Cooking Friday Dodgeball Full Price: £20.00 Per session: £4.00 3.30-5pm Cooking £5 per session
27 th May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY		

Half Term HOLIDAY BEGINS FRIDAY 24th May at 3.20pm– RETURN Monday 3rd June 2019 8.45am

Statements to Live By
*I understand what
trust means.*

Word of the Week

Mercy

THIS WEEK'S MISSION IS...
Show mercy and kindness to the
people you spend time with this week.

Year 2 SATS

Year 2 SATs will take place over the three weeks beginning 10th May 2019. They have had plenty of practice leading up to this to get used to the format of the tests which will be carried out in their classrooms during normal lesson times. It is essential that children are in school every day so that they don't miss and tests and

Year 6 SATs

Year 6 SATs will take place during the week beginning 13th May 2019. It is essential your child is in school during this week and on time. We will be putting on a free breakfast club for all year 6 pupils funded by school from Monday- Thursday that week (more information to follow).

The children have worked extremely hard all year and we are now on the final push. They were given a revision pack to complete over the Easter break. Thank you to parents who supported them with this. Your child's results will be passed onto their secondary schools so they can plan ahead for their arrival. We want to be able to pass on results that reflect their true ability.

Oompa Loompa Extravaganza

Monday 29th April, as part of their Mayans and Charlie & the Chocolate Factory topic year 3 will be having a chocolate themed day. Children are invited to bring in a bar of chocolate and there will be face painting amongst other things happening as our children explore the power of chocolate and change into Oompa Loompas!

KS 2 Playground Trim Trail

We will be having a trim trail installed on the KS 2 playground to encourage more active and varied play at break times. Work will begin during the week beginning 6th May. For their safety, please keep your children away from this area before and after school while work is taking place. Thank You.

Please check our Twitter feed for regular updates on how to keep your children safe online and to see the exciting events taking place in school each week in all classes.



MUDDY PUDDLE WALK

On Thursday 17th May, children in the Foundation Stage and year 1 will be taking part in a Muddy Puddle Walk for their chosen Charities- 'Share Wear' and Save the Children'. More information about how the funds will be raised will be sent out by class teachers nearer the time. Please send your child with wet weather clothes that you don't mind getting wet and muddy for them to change into.



First Holy Communion

Please pray for our children preparing for their First Holy Communion as their special day draws closer. There will be a rehearsal in church at 9am on Saturday 11th May for parents and children. We hope you will be able to join them on Sunday 12th May 2019 at 9.30am at Our Lady & St Patrick's Church for this very special day.



WORD OF THE WEEK

Mercy



Being able to show mercy to somebody is not an easy task. It is the much harder option to take when it is much easier to think about ourselves instead. God teaches us that love conquers evil, joy overcomes hatred and compassion is the source of forgiveness. Following the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday at the weekend, let us remind ourselves of the loving mercy of Jesus, the mercy shown to us every day and the mercy we should show to everyone that we meet. Jesus has given us an example to follow, it is something which we can all achieve.

Astronaut Training Day

To start their Space Race topic, year 5 will be having an astronaut training day on Tuesday 30th April. No cost and nothing needed.

STAFF CAR PARK

Please don't drive into or walk across the staff car park at any time as staff arrive in cars throughout the day and we don't want any accidents. Please use the footpath at all times.

