



# St Catherine's

## Catholic Primary School

# Newsletter

Issue No 26

### End of Spring Term Message

We have had a wonderful Spring Term. There have been many sports successes and musical successes since we started 2017. We are very proud of our children's progress so far in all areas of the curriculum. We hope by having your child's report you are able to encourage your child to achieve their targets by the end of this academic year.

Next term the children in Year 1 will take part in the National phonics screener. The children in Year 2 and Year 6 will be sitting their SATs. Successes are created by the whole school community working together. We all want the very best for our children at St Catherine's and we want them to achieve their full potential.

This will also be the last term for our Year 6 children. They will be visited by teachers from their prospective secondary schools. We want them to be impressed by the behaviour and attitude of our St Catherine's children so that they make that very important first impression.

We want to make their last term with us a happy one with lasting memories, and one where they feel they are ready for the next step in their learning journey.

Over the next couple of weeks enjoy your time with your children and have a wonderful, happy and holy Easter as a family.

I look forward to seeing you all on 18th April for the summer term.

Best wishes, Maureen



*Please don't forget to have a look at the Latest News and Class pages on our website by following the link at the bottom of the newsletter pages.*

## After Easter

March/April 2017

### Monday, 17<sup>th</sup>

Easter Monday - school closed

### Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup>

Children return to school

### Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup>

### Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup>

### Friday, 21<sup>st</sup>

Safeguarding and Child Protection at St Catherine's is EVERYONES responsibility and is taken extremely seriously. Leaflets for parents and visitors outlining the school guidelines on Safeguarding are available outside the school office. We also have a dedicated Safeguarding page on our website with a number of associated Policies and details of our designated Safeguarding team. Please contact one of the team at any time if you have concerns.

### Rights Respecting Schools

Year 5 have composed poems about the importance of being a Rights Respecting School. Here is Ella's poem.

**R**emember what people have been through.

**I**magine how you would feel.

**G**o to your friends and tell them about RRS.

**H**elp people who feel isolated because they were forced to leave their homes.

**T**ell people that rights are not always respected.

**S**o everyone has rights but some people do not know it.

**R**espect every child and adult.

**E**veryone has rights to have an education.

**S**how your friends and family.

**P**eople do not care about children's rights.

**E**veryone can help by telling your school to learn about this and share your feelings about this.

**C**onvention helps people learn about what others have.

**T**o help we can comfort people who feel worried or scared.

**I**n Syria there are lots of refugees who need our help.

**N**obody wants to be alone.

**G**ive minutes of your day to help people in need.

**By Ella**

*Thank you to the children of year 5 who composed such thought provoking poems. Many of these are on display in the main hall.*

### School Council

The School Council met on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. We discussed the new playtime games and listened to any further suggestions. The 'Pupil Voice' showed the children were extremely happy with the new timetable and the introduction of new games. The children loved all the new equipment and said it was very organised.

The only suggestion they made was that, now the weather was improving, we improve the wild life area and maybe have some log seats. They loved the 'Raffle Ticket Commendation' and said that it made them proud to be told they had demonstrated such caring, loving behaviour towards others. Please see the completed Discussion Grid on our School Council web page.

### \*\*\*NEW Children's Termly Newsletter - The Voice of the Children\*\*\*

We are delighted to let you know that children from will be producing a termly newsletter, which will be sent out during the last week of each term. The children have worked extremely hard publishing their first edition and we hope you take great pleasure in reading the news from our budding reporters!

### Uniform Reminder Summer Term

After Easter we will start the Summer Term for this academic year.

#### Girls

As you know the girls will be expected to wear the light blue check summer dresses as shown on our school website. This applies to **all** girls from Reception to Year 6. If girls would like to wear navy shorts underneath they are welcome to do so, it is optional.

#### Boys

Boys **must** wear grey shorts from Reception to Year 4 but this is optional for Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6) **only**.

Trousers and winter skirts are not permitted during the summer term and PE uniform is as normal on PE days.

### Ice Pop Sale Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Thank you to everyone who supported this fund raising event organised by Ryan, Rose and Lucas. The money raised will be donated to Cancer Research UK.

### Sponsor Spell 25<sup>th</sup> April

This will be taking place to raise money for Mary Immaculate and St Gregory's stained glass windows. Please check your child's book bag for the list of words. See sponsor form attached to newsletter.

### School Concert

On Wednesday evening the school was treated to an exhibition of our pupils' extraordinary musical talent. The musicians and choir put on polished performances in front of a full house to showcase the incredible standards they have achieved. The audience gave generously at the end and raised £134 towards our Arts Hub fund. Well done to all who were involved, and a particular thank you to Mr Bell for all his hard work.

## SCHOOL OFFICE BULLETIN BOARD

### **SUMMER TERM 2017: AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS DATE CHANGE FOR 1 WEEK ONLY**

Please note: For ONE week only from 22nd May - 26th May (Yr 6 Osmington Bay School Trip) all afterschool clubs which have Year 6 children registered are CANCELLED and have been rescheduled to run on the same day during the final week of the Summer Term - week commencing Monday, 17th July.

The clubs effected are:

- Monday – Chess Yr5&6
- Tuesday - Tag Rugby Yr3-6
- Wednesday - Gaelic Football Yr4-6 **AND** Cricket Yr5&6
- Thursday - POP Lacrosse Yr 5&6 (this club will run before Thursday during w/c 17<sup>th</sup> July date TBC)

Textiles Yr3-6 also won't run during this week – however starts on 4<sup>th</sup> May and ends on 6<sup>th</sup> July  
All other clubs are unaffected and will end during the week commencing Monday, 10th July.

### **Afterschool Club Start Dates Summer Term**

Mrs Ward's afterschool club will start when we return on **Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April**.

Extended day afterschool clubs will start again w/c **Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> April**. Please refer to the clubs timetable attached to this newsletter and on our website for details.

**Remember all clubs registered for must be paid in full on ParentPay before the first session to secure your place.**

### **Flyers, Leaflets any other Advertising**

Starting in the Summer Term any electronic and hard copy advertising requests for distribution will be charged at £10.00 per request.

### **Passport Forms**

Requests to sign Passport forms will also have a charge of £20.00 per form.

### **ParentPay Outstanding Debt**

Parents are reminded to please log on and clear ALL debt paying particular attention to anything listed under 'Other Payment Items' as coming from Schoolmoney, as this debt is over 9 months old. All dinners for next term are to be paid for in advance and also consider **booking in advance for any afterschool club and breakfast club sessions before the start of the Summer Term.**



**Congratulations! Stars of the week are:**

- Ilenia 1K
- Jessica 1W
- Stefan 2B
- Elliot 2C
- Kevin and Toby 3H
- Beatrice and Dario 3I
- Oliver and Nathan 4 D'A
- Sammy and Deirdre 4D
- Harry and Johnny 4Y
- Daniel 6C



**Our Journey Through Lent the Last 2 Weeks of Lent**

**Lenten prayer**

Dear God, During Lent help us to keep our eyes on Jesus. Help us to spend more time talking and listening to you. Help us to share what we have with others and be sorry for times we have done wrong.  
Amen



**Weekly House Stars**



204

*Gabriel*



274

*Uriel*



313

*Raphael*



259

*Michael*

**How is your Class Attendance?**

Attendance return from 27<sup>th</sup> March to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

Class	% Attendance
1K	99.33
1W	94.00
2B	97.00
2C	96.67
3H	96.00
3I	98.62
4D	98.67
4D'A	96.33
4Y	96.07
5B	95.81
5C	97.00
6C	100.00
6V	96.55



**Our weekly target is 96%  
This weeks target achieved is 97.08%**



**Congratulations! Playground Awards of the week are:**

- Roan 1K
- Megan, Alyssa, Karl and Patrick 2B
- Adriano, Niamh 3H
- Ryan 4D
- Sebbie and Lucas 4 D'A