



St Catherine's

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Class 2B Prayer Service

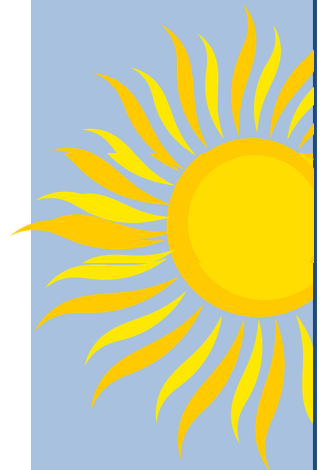
Thank you to Class 2B for leading a beautiful prayer service about our special gifts from God. They spoke about how it is important to share our gifts of qualities such as kindness, generosity and honesty. They gave us examples of how they use these gifts at home and at school. The prayer service finished with a beautiful song. Thank you to Miss Robinson for preparing the children so well. It was lovely to see so many parents attend this special gathering. We are extremely proud of all the children.

Year 6 Concert 'An Inspector Calls'

This was definitely a night to remember. The year 6 children shone! They played the cast of teachers, school inspectors, parents and members of the PTA. The acting was superb and had the audience in fits of laughter. They sang beautifully and entertained the parents singing a wide variety of fabulous songs accompanied by actions such as "In One Ear, Out the Other" and "This Special Place".

The plot was truly fantastic. After a series of unfortunate but hilarious episodes, the inspection team do not have to look too deeply to uncover the true heart and spirit of the school. They soon learn what a special place it is to so many people.

Linked to this message the children ended their concert with some of their special memories of being at St Catherine's. We are so incredibly proud of all our year 6 children. A special thank you to Mrs Van den Abbeele and Mrs Carruthers.



The Week Ahead

July 2017

Monday, 17th

Y6 Megajump Trip

Tuesday, 18th

- 7pm Leavers Mass –
Year 6 children &
parents

Wednesday, 19th

Walking Bus

Thursday, 20th

1.30pm School Closes

Friday, 21st

Summer Holidays

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Roisin, Lucy, Fabjan, Sebastian, Jloyd, Tom and Keelan who made their First Holy Communion on Sunday 9th July at Mary Immaculate and St. Gregory's. This was the final First Holy Communion Mass this year. All of the children looked beautiful and extremely proud of themselves. It was a truly joyous occasion for all our children and their families and friends! Congratulations also to Mateusz and Maciek who made their First Holy Communion on the 6th May at St Philip the Apostle Church in Finchley. Father Roman Kowalski was the celebrant.



First Holy Communion Mass

Thank you to Father James and Father John for coming to celebrate Mass. It was wonderful to welcome so many of our parents on Wednesday. The children were extremely excited. They sang beautifully and read the prayers confidently. Congratulations to Jack who served mass today - his first time at St Catherine's.

They were all presented with a small crucifix at the end of the service to celebrate their special day. We also congratulated Father James who celebrates the Anniversary of his 10 years Ordination on Saturday.

KS2 Sports Day

On Monday 3rd July KS2 had their Sports Day at Totteridge Academy. We would like to thank all the children for taking part and having a can do attitude. Luckily, the sun shone all morning and the parental support was huge. Thank you to our amazing staff for giving the children so much encouragement to achieve their own personal best. It was lovely to see the children smiling as they took part in a carousel of events from running sprints to throwing Javelins.

The final results were:

1st place - Raphael = 1210

2nd place- Uriel = 1080

3rd place = Gabriel = 1002

4th place = Michael = 938

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

A special 'Thank You' to Emily and Layla-May for helping the RRS Steering Group achieve so much this year. They are moving on to their new secondary schools. We wish them good luck and continued happiness in their new schools. We know they will continue to be amazing ambassadors.

School Council

It was lovely to meet together today to celebrate the year as School Council representatives. The children are extremely proud of themselves and rightly so. They have been true ambassadors and made a real difference! Thank you from all the children, staff and governors.

Snapchat – New Update Raises Concerns

Recently Snapchat have released a new update, which automatically (unless ghost mode is activated) displays a map of nearby friends, showing their latest location gathered using a smartphone's GPS sensor. Users of the app can also search for locations such as individual schools, with the app displaying public photos and videos sent by students. While the feature is designed to help friends meet up or attend events together it has raised fears that it could be abused.

The UK Safer Internet Centre said:

"It is important to be careful about who you share your location with, as it can allow people to build up a picture of where you live, go to school and spend your time."

"Given how specific this new feature is on Snapchat - giving your location to a precise pinpoint on a map - we would encourage users not to share their location, especially with people they don't know in person."

How to Disable Snapmaps

To hide your location from friends, you can easily turn on ghost mode in Snap Map. To do this:

- pinch the screen when you are in selfie mode to bring up Snap Map.
- click the settings icon in the top right hand corner
- set the phone to "ghost mode". Then Snapchat will stop sharing your location.

For more guidance on Snapchat please see: Childnet

Mr David - Computing Coordinator

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Year 6 Leavers and ParentPay

Please could all year 6 parents and carers ensure that they:

- **CLEAR ALL** outstanding charges, and pay particular attention to charges accrued in our previous school payment system 'Schoolmoney'. If you still have schoolmoney debt this will be listed in your ParentPay account as a **Schoolmoney Debt Transfer** payment item. Families, with this outstanding debt have been contacted by letter.
- Pre-pay dinners and out of hours clubs in full by 14th July at the latest, to cover the period up to and including the last day of term, Thursday, 20th July.

Clearing debt and making pre-payments for the school services listed above will ensure we are not having to chase for payment on the last day, as your ParentPay account with St Catherine's will close on this date.

Please be assured that any credit left on the account will be refunded or transferred to a sibling on or before the last day. If the credit came from childcare vouchers this will be moved to a sibling or returned back to your voucher provider.

Early Finish at End of the Term

The school will be finishing at **1.30pm** on **Thursday, 20th July**. ALL children will need to be collected by their parents or carers at 1.30pm. If an adult other than the parent is collecting your child you will need to inform the school office. Independent travellers are required to bring in written permission to walk home at 1.30pm by **Monday, 17th July**. Please note there will be no afterschool club on this day as the school will be closed.

Playground Equipment

Gentle reminder – please can all parents be aware that children playing on the playground equipment prior to the start of the school day and after handover at the end of the school day do so at their own risk.

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*****SECOND CHANCE TO REGISTER FOR GAELIC FOOTBALL*******Autumn Term 2017 Afterschool Clubs – Gaelic Football Online Registration**

St Catherine's Extended Day After School Club Registration for Autumn Term 2017 is opening for a **second** time for GAELIC FOOTBALL only to encourage further participation in this club otherwise it is at risk of closure.

This club is now available to those who will be in Year 3 (current year 2s) in the Autumn Term (as well as Years 4, 5 and 6). If you wish to register your interest for this club follow the instructions below. If you have already registered then you do NOT need to do anything.

The details:

Start: Wednesday, 13th September

Time: 330pm-430pm

Weeks: 13

Cost: £65 payable in advance via ParentPay

Registration will be open **Friday, 14th July and will close on Wednesday, 20th July at 12 noon**. If you wish your child to be considered for a place you will need to **register your interest online using 'School Interviews'** at www.schoolinterviews.co.uk and then enter the event code **282xj** to login and register your interest. During this period only you will be able to view, change or cancel your online booking yourself - the office will not be able to do this for you.

There is NO 'cooling off' period due to late registration, however once registration closes any changes or additions will incur a £10 administration charge and will be processed via the office. You will be notified before the end of the Summer Term if you have a place or not. All payments are made via ParentPay and must be paid before the start of the club in the Autumn Term to secure your place. Please note payments are non-refundable. Thank you.

*****Enter the year your child will be in for September when registering*****


Congratulations! Stars of the week are:

Maia 1K
 All of 1W
 Jhy Vyk 2B
 Giorgia & Indie 2C
 Aidan, Harry, Brooke, Emma, Aaron 3C
 Leo, Filippo & Niamh 3H
 All of 4D'A
 All of 4D
 Zuzanna, Aaron & Josiah 4M


Pope's Prayer Intention for July

May our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the gospel, rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of Christian life. Amen

Weekly House Stars


249

Gabriel

163

Uriel

169

Raphael

203

Michael
How is your Class Attendance?

Attendance return from 10th July to 14th July 2017.

Class	% Attendance
1K	95.00
1W	97.33
2B	98.00
2C	98.67
3H	98.00
3I	100.00
4D	99.33
4D'A	99.00
4Y	95.86
5B	95.16
5C	95.67
6C	98.67
6V	98.00



Our weekly target is 96%

This weeks target achieved is 97.59%


Congratulations! Playground Awards of the week are:

Maia 1K
 Siena-Maria 1W
 Johnny 2B
 Gracie-May & Alex 2C
 Shannon 3C
 Noah & Gabriela 4D
 Olivia 4'DA
 Emilia 4M

Attendance: In the KS1 and year 3/4 celebration assemblies this week the following children were awarded a medal to acknowledge their 100% attendance figure this year: 1K: Brielle & Betty; 1W: William 2B Phillip, Ryan Q, Lorena; 2C: Dijani, Leon, Indie, & Gaby; 3H: Filippo, Keelan & Isabella; 3C: Evelyn, Aidan, & Bohdan; 4D: Kit, Brown, Sofia, & Sampson; 4D'A: Dexter, Marley, Connor, Charlotte, Daniel K & John A; 4Y: Pablo, Aaron & Austin; 6V: Robert. All of the children named have maximised every learning opportunity offered to them this year and we are very proud of them. *Mrs Isaacs*