

St Catherine's Primary School Newsletter 29 22nd July 2021

Message from Miss Kelly

We are extremely grateful that we are ending this academic year with all our year groups in school. This is an amazing achievement which is a result of the whole St Catherine's community working together. Thank you for being so cooperative and supportive this year in following our Covid 19 systems and procedures, which were put in place to keep our community safe.

This has been an extremely difficult year for everyone especially the children. However, as always, the children have been absolutely amazing. They have taken everything in their stride and have adapted to so many situations incredibly quickly. We are extremely proud of all of them. They are a credit to all of you. Parenting is not easy especially in the current world we live in.

Rlease congratulate yourselves on getting your children through this academic year.

I hope you have a wonderful summer holiday with them and get to spend quality time enjoying their fantastic personalities. Each year passes incredibly quickly and before you know it they are moving to secondary school. I am sure the current Year 6 parents cannot believe their children are at that point already. We wish all of our Year 6 children the very best of luck. We hope they hold St Catherine's in their hearts as they take the next step of their education journey.

God/Bless everyone. Take care of yourselves and each other and I look forward to welcoming you back on 2nd September 2021

Year 6 leavers

The time has come to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 children. The seven years have passed so quickly. The children have received a wealth of amazing experiences and have progressed and achieved beyond our expectations. We are so proud of their achievements and we wish them the very best of luck in their secondary schools.

We say good bye to: Dijani Barnor, Ines Bevil, Alyssa Chuah, Giorgia De Palo, Stefan Donatiello, Ewan Evans, Emily Fleming, Daniel Flynn, Joseph Furey, Gracie-May Glynn, Amanda Goncalves-Brifeni, William Howson, Aine Karema, Philip Kay, Megan Long, Tina Lusignani, Leo Redhead, John Salway, Sofia Siska, Joseph Tully, Ella Wong.

All at St Catherine's will miss you! However as they have siblings still at St Catherine's we will still be seeing these families.

After many years of being part of the St Catherine's Community we say a huge thank you and goodbye to the following children and their families. You will be missed by all who have known you over the years:

Enson Afzal, Marco Basta, Patrick Coggins, Benjamin Evanson, Sophia Harris, Jessie Holden, Sophie Horan, Megan Ibus, Lucy Jamieson, Jhy Vyk Jimenez, Jorge Kalamaras, Sebastian Katniak, Leon Kravitz, Jayden Lapa, Thomas Larkins, Florence Marcel-Gavin, Shay McAlinden, Finn McNally, Eibhlin McNulty, Isabela Ndoj, Max Papkou, Ryan Parker, Dennis Pengson Alarcon, Cassandra Pereira, Ryan Queenan, Karl Runes, Dominique Soma, Lorena Toci, Indie Tolaini, Aoife Walsh, Jack Welton, Viraj Yaday.

Safeguarding is our TOP priority

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.

Intentions for September

Currently we plan to resume normal service on 2nd September 2021 where we will welcome all the children and parents into the school playground. The playground gates will open at 8:30am and the children will walk to their classrooms at 8:40am for their registration in their classroom at 8:50am. Nursery will continue with their 8:30am start and their 3:30pm finish. KS1 will finish at 3:15pm and KS2 will finish at 3:20pm.

If the situation regarding COVID 19 changes over the summer where the number of cases reach an alarming rate or the government impose restrictions we will be in touch with you on 1st September to inform you of any changes to the gates and timings to reduce the risk of spreading the virus.

NHS Health and Advice for Parents and Carers

The NHS has produced a short booklet to help parents and carers understand when and how to seek health support and advice if they are worried about their child this summer and autumn. We have attached this to this week's newsletter email. The publication aims to help ensure children and young people receive the care and support they need at the right time and in the right place. It contains important information on respiratory conditions – which we may see an increase of from late summer.

Dates for your diary

We will be holding curriculum meetings for each year group during the first few weeks of the Autumn Term. These meetings will be held on Zoom as we appreciate that this may be more convenient for those of you who may have other commitments. Zoom links will be sent out closer to the time.

Reception: Wednesday 20th October at 6:30pm Year 1: Tuesday 14th September at 1:30pm Year 2: Friday 10th September at 9:30am Year 3: Tuesday 7th September at 9:30am Year 4: Tuesday 14th September at 9:30am Year 5: Tuesday 7th September at 1:30pm Year 6: Friday 10th September at 1:30pm

Year 4 Trip

Year 4 participated in a fieldwork study of the local area, looking at the changes proposed with the new housing development around High Barnet Station. Our objective was to consider the opposing views on this proposal. The children drew sketch maps, made notes on what they saw in the surrounding area and carried out a traffic and pedestrian survey to find out how busy the area currently is. The children had a fantastic time exploring, researching and looking at their local area in a new way and were full of new knowledge and ideas when they returned to school to begin presenting their findings.

Online Safety: Prevent

Children are spending more time than ever on social media and gaming platforms so it is no surprise that online grooming by extremists is on the rise. Young people are especially being targeted by groups and individuals promoting violence and hatred.

Helping your child be digitally savvy and knowing the signs of radicalisation will help keep them safe and protect them from potential risks.

Netmums have partnered with Counter Terrorism Policing to highlight their safeguarding website, ACT Early, which is for parents, friends and families who are concerned about loved ones at risk of radicalisation.

https://www.netmums.com/act-early

You want your child to be happy and healthy and that means you already know the places you can get help and advice if they're not well or are struggling at school. Support is also there if you're worried your child is being radicalised or exploited

John 6: 1-15 Sunday 25th July 2021

Jesus went across Lake Galilee (or, Lake Tiberias, as it is also called). A large crowd followed him, because they had seen his miracles of healing those who were ill. Jesus went up a hill and sat down with his disciples. The time for the Passover Festival was near. Jesus looked round and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, so he asked Philip, "Where can we buy enough food to feed all these people?" (He said this to test Philip; actually he already knew what he would do.)

Philip answered, "For everyone to have even a little, it would take more than 200 silver coins to buy enough bread."

Another of his disciples, Andrew, who was Simon Peter's brother, said, "There is a boy here who has five loaves of barley bread and two fish. But they will certainly not be enough for all these people."

"Make the people sit down," Jesus told them. (There was a lot of grass there.) So all the people sat down; there were about 5,000 men. Jesus took the bread, gave thanks to God, and distributed it to the people who were sitting there. He did the same with the fish, and they all had as much as they wanted. When they were all full, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces left over; let us not waste any." So they gathered them all up and filled twelve baskets with the pieces left over from the five barley loaves which the people had eaten.



House Stars Well done to all of our children who have earnt stars this week! Gabriel 245 Michael 206 Uriel 212 Raphael 274

The Week Ahead: W/C 30th August 2021

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Bank Holiday		INSET Day	Children return	