



St Catherine's

Catholic Primary School

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End of Year Message from the Governors

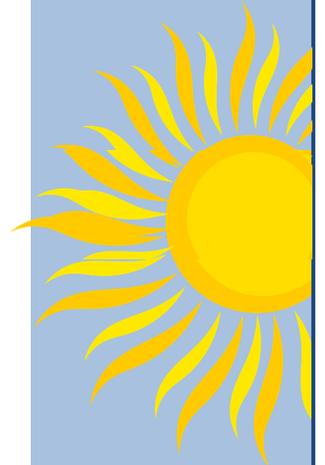
On behalf of the Governors, I would like to thank Miss Kelly, Mrs Ainger and the senior leadership team for their hard work and dedication to St Catherine's this year. As always they have put the children at the heart of everything they do and have worked tirelessly to ensure that standards have been improved. Under their leadership St Catherine's has gone from strength to strength.

We have embarked onto a new journey last September, and a year on we have many things to be proud of. This was confirmed from the recent visit of our LA network inspector. This is due to the commitment of the leadership team and to the commitment and hard the work of all the staff, and also to the amazing learning attitude of our children, well done!

I would like to thank parents, staff, children and the Governing Body for all they do for our school; this has ben a fantastic year, a year of change with the establishment of a new leadership at St Catherine's. Thank you for the continued support you offer to the school, we are all privileged to be a part of this wonderful community.

Best wishes and wishing you all a happy summer break.

Alessia Errico, Chair of Governors



Starting in September

September 2017

Monday, 4th

Children return to School

Tuesday, 5th

Wednesday, 6th

Thursday, 7th

Friday, 8th

11am KS2 Mass



Celebration Mass for our Leavers

Thank you to Father John, Father James and Father Oliver for coming to celebrate Mass with our year 6 children and members of staff who are leaving. It was such a joyous occasion for all. The final song 'Hold your head up high' was extremely moving and gave us all the opportunity to reflect on the exciting journey our children have made at St Catherine's. We have watched them blossom and grow into confident young people. They have been a gift to our school community and we pray that God will guide them on the next part of their journey into secondary school. Thank you to all the parents for your support throughout the years.

It was lovely to end the evening by releasing the blue and yellow balloons and cutting the cake.

Year 6 Gift to St Gregory's (Year 6 Trade Fair)

What a successful event! The children in Year 6 really learnt how to be young entrepreneurs in order to create and sell products and services to the rest of KS2. We were so proud of how much they learnt: from creating business plans, presenting their pitches to 'The Dragons Den', working out their expenditure and, finally, how professional and enthusiastic they were on the day of their Trade Fair.

We were astounded with their £420 profit! It was decided that the perfect recipient of this money would be St. Gregory's Church - to go towards the payments of the new beautiful stained glass window. Father John came to see us and we were delighted to present him with the Trade Fair profits. We hope that this will be a lasting memory for the children and their families every time they go to St. Gregory's and see the window - knowing that they made such a generous contribution towards it.





Yr 6 Megajump

Lucky Year 6 children! On Monday, as their final treat, they went to Megajump and had an amazing time – especially as we hired the entire facility just for them! They all had so much fun and enjoyed being children. Their behaviour both at Megajump and on the bus journeys there and back was excellent.

Upon our return back to school the children thoroughly enjoyed their pizzas, French bread, cakes and juice. A big thank you to the PTA for funding all of this for them.

Judy Van den Abbeele and Ellie Carruthers

Travelling Book Fair

CONGRATULATIONS!

We raised £740.35 at our Book Fair!

This gives us £384.21 to spend on FREE BOOKS for our school!

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped at our Book Fair!

Giant Walking Bus

On Wednesday children from Year 1 to Year 6 took part in the Giant Walking Bus to encourage drivers to 'GO 20mph' around our school. In doing so, it helped pupils to understand and learn about the dangers on the road. It also promotes road safety to parents and drivers in the wider community to protect children, cyclists and pedestrians on our streets.

Notes from the Headteacher – Summer Term 2017



*Miss Kelly
Headteacher*

End Of Year Message

I can't believe that we have come to the end of this academic year already. It has been another successful year at St Catherine's where we have continued to go from strength to strength.

I would like to thank our amazing deputy head Mrs Ainger and our dedicated staff who teach and care for all of our children. I'm sure parents will join me in thanking them for an amazing year.

After 16 years at St Catherine's our Nursery Teacher Sarah Jane has decided to move on to pastures new. Sarah Jane has been a much loved member of the St Catherine's staff and is known for her love and kindness of all the children in her care. I'm sure you will all join me in wishing Sarah Jane every success for the future as she embarks on the next stage of her career.

A special thank you to Miss Robinson who joined us in January this year. Miss Robinson took 2B to her heart very quickly and has prepared them for KS2. We wish her the very best of luck as she embarks on her Masters in the USA.

Thank you to Miss Nkwo who has qualified as a class teacher. Miss Nkwo will still be in touch with everyone at St Catherine's as she joins the teaching staff at a nearby school. We wish her every success as she embarks upon her new career.

I wish all our children and families a very happy, restful summer holiday. I look forward to welcoming you back to St Catherine's on 4th September. God bless.

Farewell to Year 6

I would like to wish our Year 6 children a wonderful start to their new secondary schools. They should be very proud of their achievements at St Catherine's. They have grown into wonderful talented eleven year olds and are more than equipped to deal with the next stage of their life journey.

We will always keep them in our prayers and remember them fondly. I hope they will keep St Catherine's in their hearts for many years to come.

Farewell to Families

Thank you to the families who are leaving us this year after many years of being part of our wonderful school community. Personally it has been a privilege to have known you for such a short time. I wish you all every happiness for the future.

Farewell to Year 6

Goodbye to the children (although they have younger siblings still with us) after being associated with St Catherine's for:

Adriano	7 years
Allen	4 years
Amy	8 years
Annie	8 years
Carys	8 years
Deep	8 years
Eli	7 years
Grace	3 years
Jack	7 years
Jeremy	3 years
Joanna	8 years
Luca	7 years
Samual	2 years
Andrew	7 years
Ben	7 years
Egan	8 years
Fabjan	3 years

Francesca	8 years
Harrison	8 years
Henry	8 years
Johnpaul	7 years
Louisa	7 years
Lydia	8 years
Molly	8 years
Nicholas	7 years
Robert	8 years
Sara	7 years
Sarah	8 years
Sharelle	8 years
Tara	9 years
Winona	5 years
Ellie	4 years
Emily	7 years
Carlos	2 years
Daniel	7 years
Thomas	8 years

Farewell to Year 6

Goodbye to the children *and their families* after being associated with St Catherine's for:

Aaliyah	7 years
Daniel	7 years
Erin	7 years
Giulietta	12 years
Helena	11 years
Isabel	5 years
Jeuz	7 years
Joseph	7 years
Layni	7 years
Liam	7 years
Mia	16 years
Michelle	1 years
Morta	8 years
Scarlett	8 years
Arthur	3 years
Ashton	1 term
Callum	9 years

Dara	8 years
Layla-May	8 years
Lucia	8 years
Patrick	8 years
Paulina	4 years
Leon (& Elliot Yr 2)	8 years

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

Thank to Mr Coster who has agreed to join our Steering Group. If you would like to be a part of the next part of our journey to Level 2 please contact me in September.

Mrs Ainger

School Council

We look forward to the new academic year and the opportunity for more of our children to be School Council representatives. Thank you once again to this year's representatives.

Mrs Ainger



SCHOOL OFFICE BULLETIN BOARD

*****Yr4-6 CRICKET CLUB AUTUMN TERM 2017*****

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel Y3-6 Gaelic Football Club for the Autumn Term due to low numbers. Instead, we have been fortunate to be able to offer Yr4-6 Cricket Club as a replacement, which will start in September and run until October half term. This club is ONLY being offered to Yr4-6 as it is replacing Gaelic Football, which was originally only open to Yr4-6. *Only if there is insufficient take up will this club be offered to Year 3 at a later date and you will be advised of this by text.*

The details:

Start: Wednesday, 13th September

Time: 330pm-430pm

Weeks: 6

Cost: £30 payable in advance via ParentPay

Registration will be open **Friday, 20th July and will close on Wednesday, 26th July at 7pm.** 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 **4utzs** 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 start of the Autumn 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*****

Mrs Van den Abbeele has confirmed:

*****Children taking Drama on Wednesday will be able to register for Yr4-6 Cricket club*****

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.

May our time away be one of warmth and love

Thank You Lord for the times of refreshment and opportunities to go away on a holiday – so that we may be renewed in body soul and spirit.

Lord it was You Who reminded Your own disciples that they needed to times of refreshment and from the stresses and strains of the day and we thank You for this opportunity to enjoy different and new experiences. May our time away be one of warmth and love and filled with fun and fellowship. May our hearts overflow with Your joy and peace and may we fill our lungs with laughter.

*Watch over our journey as we travel .May we rest in You and return refreshed in body soul and spirit to Your praise and glory, in Jesus name we pray,
Amen*



**Weekly
House Stars**



Gabriel



Uriel



Raphael



Michael



***Overall winner of the House
stars goes to***

Gabriel with 5517 house stars

The house stars for the year were incredibly close. Thank you to our House Captains, Vice Captains, Sports Captains and Fundraising Captains for all their hard work this year. We have been extremely proud of you. You have been great ambassadors for St Catherine's. You all demonstrated such amazing leadership qualities.