



St. Mary's News

3rd February 2017



Infant Sharing Assembly - Advanced Notice

There will be an infant sharing assembly on Monday 6th Feb at 2.45pm in the infant hall. All of our Reception, Y1 and Y2 children will be sharing their SEAL (Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning) work with you around the topic of *Getting On and Falling Out*. Families of all of our infant children are invited to attend and we look forward to seeing you.

Parents' Evenings Reminder

The next Parents' Evenings are being held next week on Tue 7th and Wed 8th Feb in the Infant Hall. As usual, school will be open from 2.30pm - 3.15pm on each of these two days so that parents are able to look through their children's books. Everyone is most welcome.

We do ask, however, that you make your way onto the playgrounds at 3.15pm, so that we are able to get the children packed up and ready for home time.



E-Safety

St Augustine of Catholic High School are hosting a Parent/Carer E-Safety event on Thursday 9th February. The aim of the event is to inform parents on how to keep their children safe online. The event is aimed at our Y5/Y6 parents and will start at 6:15pm. It will last for approximately 45 minutes.

If parents/carers would like to attend, they should telephone St Augustine of Canterbury school office to book a place and leave their name, school and how many people will be attending. Please note the workshop is aimed at parents/carers, not at children.



First Holy Communion

The next meeting for Y4 children and parents is on Wed 22nd Feb in the infant hall. The session will begin at its usual time - 6pm. It is essential that your child attends and that they are accompanied by a parent.

Remaining Sessions:

Wed 22nd March 2017

Wed 24th May 2017



Y2/Y3 Rugby

The last rugby session for Y3 children will be on Monday 6th Feb. Y2 children will not have a session that day due to their sharing assembly.



The Levy

We are still awaiting contributions to the Levy from over 45 of our families. The Levy plays a really important part in the funding of a Catholic School's buildings and repair work. In order for our school to receive funding from the Archdiocese, school must contribute an annual amount - based on £10 per family. If our families don't pay their £10 contribution, school has to cover the shortfall. We already have an extremely challenging budget and if we had to cover the current shortfall it would mean that money would have to be taken from amounts set aside to buy class resources.

Thank You!

Holiday Dates 2017/18

School Opens On

Tue 5th Sept 2017

Tue 31st Oct 2017

Mon 8th Jan 2018

Mon 19th Feb 2018

Mon 16 Apr 2018

Tue 5th Jun 2018

School Closes On

Fri 20th Oct 2017

Fri 22nd Dec 2017

Fri 9th Feb 2018

Thu 29th Mar 2018

Fri 25th May 2018

Fri 20 Jul 2018

School will also be closed on Monday 7th May 2018



PGL Payments

The next instalment of £30 is now due. A total of £190 should have been paid by the end of January. Please make sure that your account is up to date.



Lunchtime Awards

	<u>Dinner Hall</u>	<u>Playground</u>
Rec	Jacob	Isabelle
Y1	Bronagh	Gabriel
Y2	Molly	Jayden
Y3	Aaron	Harry
Y4	Joseph	Halle
Y5	Grace	Lucie
Y6	Sean	Aimee



Dates for Your Diary

6/2/17	KS1 Sharing Assembly - 2.45pm
7/2/17	Open afternoon & parents evening
8/2/17	Open afternoon & parents evening
10/2/17	School closes for half term holidays
20/2/17	School reopens
22/2/17	Sacramental meeting - 6.00pm
24/2/17	Swimming starts for Years 4 & 5
22/3/17	Sacramental meeting - 6.00pm
28/3/17	Sports day (option 1)
30/3/17	Sports day (option 2)
31/3/17	School closes for Spring holiday
18/4/17	School reopens
24/5/17	Sacramental meeting - 6.00pm



	Before school	Lunchtime	After school
Monday	Y6 boosting 8.15am	Zumba	Football (KS2)
Tuesday	Fun fitness		
Wednesday	Boccia (KS2) Y6 boosting 8.15am	Fencing (Rec & KS1)	Fencing (KS2)
Thursday	Fun fitness	Guitars KS2 Recorders Y2 Football (KS1)	Choir
Friday	Gymnastics (KS2)	Gymnastics (Rec & KS1)	Dodgeball (KS2)

Premier Sports - Starting w/c 20th February

Letters have been sent home informing you if your child has got a place on the activity they requested for next term. Please send payment into school as soon as possible to secure the place. If your child no longer wants to do the activity please let the school office know so that the place can be offered to someone else.

Wednesday

Morning

Tennis KS2

Lunchtime

Archery KS2

After School

Archery Rec & KS1

Friday

Netball KS2

Rugby Skills Rec & KS1

Volleyball KS2

House Points

	<u>Infants</u>	<u>Juniors</u>
Matthew	Thomas	Chloe
Mark	Isabelle	Olivia & Joshua
Luke	Adelaide	Logan
John	Max	Lucy Jo



The overall winners were Max (Rec) and Lucy Jo (Y6). Well done everyone!

Good Work

A huge well done to the following children who have all been recognised for their good work this week:

Reception - Jacob

Year 1 - Jacob

Year 2 - Libbie-May

Year 3 - Ewan

Year 4 - Billie

Year 5 - Lucia

Year 6 - Maddie



Class Attendance

Reception - 99.52%

Year 1 - 96.25%

Year 2 - 98.61%

Year 3 - 97.92%

Year 4 - 93.15%

Year 5 - 94.35%

Year 6 - 92.92%

Well done to the children in Reception Class who are the class of the week with a class attendance this week of 99.52%.

Musical Masquerade Party

The PTFA are hosting a Musical Masquerade Party on the club on Friday 10th Feb from 6.30 - 9.00pm. This event is in the place of the Valentines Disco that was usually held in February each year. It will be a great family evening and the PTFA have lots of great things planned from a Photo Booth where you can have your picture taken with your friends (props will be provided), to DJ's, competitions, raffles and hot food. If you really want to get into the swing of things the PTFA would love it if you could wear a mask and dressing up is optional. Tickets are £2.50 each and are available from the school office.

Please come along and support this event as all money raised comes back into school to enhance your children's learning experiences. Already this year the PTFA have subsidised the cost of the Pantomime; funded the photography project; bought two new laptops as well as buying all children a selection box for Christmas. School could not offer many of the things that we do without the PTFAs support.



Lego Club

A Lego club will start after half-term on Monday 20th Feb in the Junior Hall for KS2 children from 12.45 - 1.25pm and infant children from 1.30 - 2.00pm. School does have some Lego, but obviously for the club to be successful we would really appreciate any donations of Lego that you may have that your child no longer uses. They don't need to be complete sets. If your child would like to bring their own Lego into school to use during the club, they can do so. It can be left in Mrs Hymers' room and collected at the end of the school day.



Future Clubs

Once the Lego club is up and running, school will look to offer further clubs. One suggestion is a Top Trump club where children can compete against each other in a variety of different scenarios from Frozen Princesses, to Army Facts and World's Greatest Footballers to Marvel Super Heroes. Further details will follow.

Several children have been to see Mrs Hymers this week to talk about clubs. Jasmine, Maddie, Mia and Lucy-Jo have suggested an art club, whilst Harry and Rhianna think a colouring club would be great. Keep your ideas coming children.

