



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school, I hope you all had a lovely summer holiday. I know that the weather has not been too kind to us but I hope that it didn't stop you enjoying the holiday too much.

I would like to give a special welcome to the parents of our new children in school, I hope that you and your children enjoy your time here at St Patrick's.

I would also like to say a very special welcome to Mrs Marks, who will be teaching in Class 1 throughout the year, and also to Michelle James who is joining St Patrick's as a teaching assistant. I am delighted that they are a part of our school staff and look forward to working with them over the coming year.

School Uniform

It was lovely to see all of the children looking so smart this morning, I hope that we can keep this going throughout the year. Please remember to put your child's name on their clothes so that we can identify what belongs to who. Please also remember that your child needs a pair of pumps for indoor use.

Dinner Money

Please remember that school dinners cost £1.85 a day or £9.25 a week. Please ensure that money comes in an envelope marked with your child's name.

Milk Money

Milk, for children upto 7 years old, is available for £3.50 per $\frac{1}{2}$ term. If you want your child to have milk please send in the money in an envelope marked with your child's name.

Information Evenings

Each teacher will be holding an information evening next week to which you are warmly invited. It will be an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and find out about some of the work that they will be doing over the year. It is a good way of helping us to work together for the sake of your children.

Mrs Marks / Mrs Bird - Wednesday 3.05

Miss Birkin / Mrs Whelan - Tuesday 3.05

Mrs Stubbings - Monday 3.05

Special Mention Assembly

You are more than welcome to join us on Friday at 2.30pm to hear about how the children have settled in during their first week.

Swimming

The delivery of swimming lessons has changed this term. Instead of everyone swimming every Monday we will now have only two sessions each week. In the first term Class 1 will swim each Wednesday morning from 9.00am and Class 3 will swim each Thursday at 1.30pm. This will continue until January and then Early Years will have the Wednesday morning session and Class 2 the Thursday afternoon session. Please remember that swimming is a part of the curriculum and that children should take part unless they are very poorly. Children should wear proper swimming costumes and remember that **no** jewellery can be worn.

School Closure Day

School will be closed on Friday 26 September for a teacher training day.

Water Bottles

Please make sure that your child has a water bottle for use in school. We will encourage them to bring them home each weekend so that they can be cleaned.

Class 1 Assembly

We will have a special assembly at 2.30pm next Wednesday, 10 September, to celebrate the transition of our children from Early Years to Class 1. You are most welcome to join us for this.

Diary Dates

I will send out a full set of dates with next week's Newsletter.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Dent
Headteacher

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