



St Walburga's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,
Phew! We made it to the end of term! I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your help and support during the year. It really is a privilege to work with such a fantastic staff team and such hardworking, lovely children. On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank you for your generous gifts and kind words.

Goodbye and Good luck

Today we said goodbye to our super Year 6 Leavers – they have been such a lovely year group, and we will really miss them. They have worked so hard, both academically and in their contribution to school life, and we know that we are sending them off with a fantastic set of SATs results, and a clear understanding of our mission to serve God and others. We wish them all the very best in their new schools, and look forward to hearing how they are getting on in the future! We had a lovely Leavers' Mass for the children and their parents at the Annunciation last Monday, and on Wednesday night the children enjoyed a disco (many thanks to our fab crew of helpers). This morning we had a Leavers' assembly in school, where the children had the chance to say goodbye to one another.

We have also said a very fond farewell to some members of staff today; Miss Ryland and Miss Lyons are both going to teach overseas, Mr Allen, who has been covering Mrs Lee's class while she is on maternity leave is moving on, and Mrs Emerton, who has worked with us for over fifteen years, is going to take up a new role, using her knowledge of British Sign Language to help others. We will really miss them, but as with all members of the St Walburga's family, they will always have a special place in our hearts. I am sure you will join me in thanking them all for everything that they have contributed to the school in their time with us.

Lovely news

I am sure you will join me in sending many congratulations to Mr Browne who is getting married in August. We wish him and his fiancée a happy wedding day and a very happy ever after!

New Cross

One of the activities on our Feast Day was for every child to draw a picture of themselves – Mrs Short worked her magic and transformed them all into a beautiful new cross which will go up in our hall as a reminder that we are all part of a school family, united in Christ.



Fundraising

Well done to the Year 6 children, who raised £127.50 for Diverse Abilities through their collections at their play performances.

Thanks to you all for your donations to the RNLI on Water Safe Day – we raised £151.00. Thank you to Mrs Crutchley for organising this event to help our children know how to stay safe. You may be interested in finding out more about the Royal Lifesaving Society's 'Rookie Lifeguard' course which is available for children aged 8- 12. You can get more information via this link. www.rlss.org.uk/rookie-lifeguard

WisePay – and hot meals

Thank you for your patience during the problem with WisePay this week – and especial thanks to the Office Staff for stepping up and working to resolve as many problems as possible. The extended deadline for ordering hot meal for the first week back in September

has now passed, so if you have not ordered already, please ensure your child brings in a packed lunch for the first week back.

Gates

It may be that when your child returns to school in September they are coming onto a different playground or in through a different gate – so this is just a reminder! Reception children will go in and out of their own gates, on Malvern Rd.

Year 1 and Year 2 children will come in through the KS1 playground gates, and should be collected from the KS1 playground – Year 1 come out from their classrooms through their outdoor area (the brightly coloured fence) and Year 2 come out of the white door with their class teacher.

Year 3 and 4 should wait by the big double gates on the KS2 playground, and Year 5 and 6 should wait by the walkers' gate, until the gates are opened at 8.25am. Children arriving at school after 8.25am (once the queue has gone!) can use either of the KS2 gates to come into the playground. Please can I remind you that your child should not be arriving at school before 8.25, as this is the time the gates are open, and queues cause congestion, particularly where the pavements are narrow on Malvern Rd.

At the end of the day, children with Walkers' passes come out of the smaller gate, and if you are collecting your child from KS2, you should come on to the playground through the big gate.

Meet the Team

On Wednesday 4th September we would like to invite you to pop into school to meet your child's teacher and TA – it's not a formal meeting, just a chance to put a face to the name!

Medication

We are sending home any medication that we hold in school, including epipens and asthma inhalers, so that you can check the use by date. Please ensure that you send any medication back into school with your child in September – unless there is a change to dosage you will not need to complete a medication form again, as we will pass those up to the next class.

Uniform

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform when they return to school in September – they can wear either summer or winter uniform. Trainers should only be worn on PE days, and children should wear navy or black shoes. Many thanks.

DON'T FORGET – SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR CHILDREN ON MONDAY 22ND JULY, TUESDAY 23RD JULY, AND MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER AS WE HAVE TRAINING FOR STAFF.

Well done to our Stars of the Week

Super Role Model: RP:Elisia;RJ:Alisha;1JC:Marcel; 1WH: Edie; 2ML:Klara; 2NW: Luna; 3BM: Ella; 3NL: Elma; 4CY: Jared; 4CR: Hilina; 5JC: Sofia; 5RH:Kathleen; 6KB: All of 6KB; 6PM: All of 6PM.

Learning Champion: RP; Jenson; RJ: Oswin; 1JC:Jamie; 1WH:Jamie; 2ML: Albie; 2NW: Lucas; 3BM: Kade; 3NL: Matthew; 4CY:Evanna; 4CR: Alexsia; 5JC: Imogen; 5RH; Phoebe; 6KB: All of 6KB; 6PM: All of 6PM.

Wishing you a lovely break with your families.

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