



St Walburga's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a lovely break with your families. It has been great to see the children coming back into school looking smart and ready for their learning. We certainly have a busy term ahead of us! Don't forget that the children can wear summer uniform now – dresses should have a small, NAVY check, and playsuits and open toed sandals must not be worn. We have noticed that some of the shoes are selling dresses which have a 'polo' style top and a check skirt – this is not suitable for our uniform policy. Yellow uniform polo tops can be worn on PE days, but white polo tops are not allowed at any time. Shorts must be a tailored, school uniform style. Children may continue to wear their navy skirts or long grey trousers if they prefer, but they must always wear a tie, even if it is with short-sleeved shirt. Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct uniform, and that it is CLEARLY marked with their name. As the weather gets warmer, the children are more likely to take their jumper or cardigan off, and it is impossible to reunite unnamed ones with the correct owner!

Spring treat day

The children had a super day on Wednesday, when we celebrated all things Spring. They spent time with their Prayer Buddies for an Easter craft activity, and the younger children had a bounce on the Bouncy Castle! Every class had a visit from the Easter Bunny, and the reception children decorated fantastic Spring hats with the help of their Year 6 Prayer Buddies. They showed them off to their parents in a parade at the end of the day.



CAFOD Fundraising

Thank you so much to all of you who donated to our Big Lent Walk fundraiser – I am pleased to tell you that the current total is £1966.00! Well done to all the children who worked so hard to raise this money to help others in our global community.

School Building Fund

You may remember that I sent out a plea for support with our invoice for the School Building Fund – you were very generous with your support and really helped us out. The Spring invoice is now due – if you are able to help at all, please do so via WisePay. Many, many thanks!

Year 6 Residential

Just a reminder that all payments for the Year 6 residential must be completed by 30th April. Please ensure you are fully paid up by then! Thanks.

Attendance

We are half way through the year now and I am pleased to tell you that our attendance at the end of the Spring Term was 96.02%. It is lower than the previous half term but we are really pleased that we are still above our target of 96% - but only just! Hopefully as the weather gets better there will be fewer bugs around and we can continue to stay above target throughout the Summer Term.

Here is the attendance breakdown for each year group;

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	95.38%
Year 1	95.44%
Year 2	95.76%
Year 3	96.69%
Year 4	96.22%
Year 5	96.51%
Year 6	96.06%

Well done to all of key stage 2 for being above target!

Summer fair and PSA meeting

We have put a date in the diary for our annual Summer fair – it will be taking place from 3.30 – 5.00pm on Wednesday, 22nd May. As well as being our big fundraiser for PSA funds, this event is always a lot of fun for the children, and we really need as much help as possible to make it a success! In the coming weeks, we will be asking you for donations, and we are hoping that as many of you as possible will be able to help us on the day. We are going to have a preliminary meeting to discuss the event on **Wednesday, 1st May at 8.50** (after drop off) – we would love to see as many of you as possible there to help with your ideas!

Mission Statement Hero and Stars of the Week

Our Mission Statement hero today was St George, whose feast day is 23rd April. We thought about his courage in facing the dragon, and how we can be brave as he was. Well done to our Stars of the week.

Super Role Model: RP:George; RJ:Romeo; 1JC:Ryan; 1WH:Cole; 2NW:Samantha, 2ML:Umut; 3BM:Harper; 3NL:Leo; 4CY:Olivia; 4CR:Zack; 5RH: Victoria; 5JC: Antoni K 6KB:Mia M; 6PM:Rianna.

Learning Champion: RP:Lily Florence; RJ:Oli; 1JC:Elsie; 1WH:Emmanuel; 2NW:Emily; 2ML:Demir; 3BM:Ling; 3NL:Gracie; 4CY:Isla; 4CR:Vanessa; 5RH: Alex; 5JC: Esther 6KB:Teo; 6PM:Esme.

Dates for your diary:

Wed 24 th April	All day	Year 2 Trip to Beaulieu
Mon 29 th April	Am	5RH Trip to Kingfisher Barnes
Fri 3 rd May	Am	5JC Trip to Kingfisher Barnes
Mon 13 th May	All day	Year 6 SATs week starts
Thurs 23 rd May	2.50pm	Term ends for children
Wed 1 st May	8.50am	Planning meeting for Summer fair
Wed 22 nd May	3.30-5.00pm	Summer Fair
Fri 24 th May	All day	Staff training day – school closed for children.

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your families.

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