Saint Edmunds' and Saint Thomas' Catholic Primary **Newsletter 7th May 2024**



Summer Term 2024

We are well and truly into the swing of the summer term and we only need a bit of consistent sunshine to feel it is, indeed the summer term!

First of all, many thanks for everything you do to support our school's uniform policy. It does not escape our attention when we see the care and effort parents dedicate to ensuring our children are smart and this is observed by the public on school trips etc. Special thanks to all those parent volunteers who helped on Reception and Year 3 4 trips last week. They were a great success by all accounts.

Thank you for your attendance at our recent parents' evenings .We have sent reminders last week to anybody who could not make the dates to rearrange. In the interest of all our children, we aim for 100% parent evening attendance so please contact your child's teacher if you have not had an appointment

PTA Events

Last Wednesday, we had a PTA meeting and set dates for the summer term.

School Discos 22nd May 2024 Reception KS1 3.30 –4.45

KS2 5.00 -6.15

Summer Fair Friday 5th July 2024 3.30pm This will be a MUFTI day for donations. Details to follow

Family Night Friday 19th July School Field Picnic

Year 6 Leavers Day Out Thursday 18th July 2024

NB There will be a Year 6 Leavers' Mass and we hope to confirm this date shortly.

Keep all our year 6 children in your thoughts and prayers s they take their SATs tests next week!

School Attendance Figures

 Reception 91.9%

Year 1 95.3%

 Year 1 2 98.3%

Year 2









99.3% Year 3

94.4%

Year 3 4

97.7%

Year 4

93.3%

Year 5

93%

Year 5 6

90.3%

WELL DONE KEY STAGE 1

School Sport Netball

Congratulations to the netball team who hosted a league game against St Mary's last week and won 8-0! At the end of last term, our school entered meetings of Liverpool and **District Primary Schools Cross Coun**try League and was highly successful with the girls' team and boys' team finishing first in the league in their school's classification. In the Sefton league, Year 5 girls and boys finished first. Y6 girls finished second and Y6 boys finished third place. Special Congratulations to Roman Dalton, Jess Moss and Alicia Baranowska for outstanding personal achievements

Other dates for your diary

Half Term Holiday 24/05 return 04/06

Y6 Transition Days
27th and 28th June
2024— two consecutive transition days
for all Y6 children
for all Crosby
schools.

Y6 Leavers Day Trip

Thursday 18th July 2024.

End of Summer-Term

Tuesday 23rd July 1.30pm

Lost Property

Every year we seem to have dozens of unclaimed items of lost property, (usually without named labels). If you could check that your child has all their items of clothing ,it may help us to reduce the 'mountains' at the end of term. Thank you.

A few reminders from Mrs Hoban

Administration Officer

Appointment cards must be shown for medical or dental appointments

Appointments should only incur half day absence; not a full day.

Punctuality Late Arrivals are increasing but result in unauthorized sessions if a child arrives after the register closes

There will be a change to clubs after half term and we will notify you in due course

Year 5 Parents planning for next years Residential to Robinwood 2025. We are still awaiting a few confirmations. Thank you.

Pope Francis Catholic Multi Academy Trust

Further to the letters and consultation meeting with the executive officers of Pope Francis Catholic Multi Academy Trust, the school has met with trust leaders to carry out exercises in due diligence.

The school's employers ,The Governing Body will meet this week to consider the school becoming part of the Multi Academy Trust next academic year.

As you may recall ,Liverpool Archdiocese' strategic vision is that every Catholic school in Sefton will become part of this trust. The Governing Body is considering how early entry into the trust would be beneficial to the school community.

Many of our local schools in the community have already become part of other community multi – academy trusts.

Curriculum Events

Active Sefton early years Key Stage 1 presentation on healthy eating 21st May

Science day at Sacred Heart Y5 on 22/05/24

Groups of Y5 Play Leader training 07/06/24

Mrs Tyrrell's Dance Club Show 10th July 600pm (Further details to follow)

Lucky Literacy Lotto

Children who are committed to their home reading and make good progress, receive certificates each half term and are entered into a lottery to receive a book of their choice. This complements the reading millionaire achievers.

External works to the building

Please note that there will be external works starting on the masonry on the corner of the building where the carpark meets the main road We have planned internal works to the plaster on the stairwells over the half term holiday. The persistent rainy weather has left its mark and the conditions work should really improve things for the rest of the term.

The school hall has updated projection, sound and IT facilities to improve the children's experience at assembly times etc

Attendance Matters

Whilst we are delighted with the attendance figures for last week for Years 1 and 2, we are very mindful that the emphasis on good school attendance will be increased next academic year.

Perhaps we should be reporting attendance in lost hours of learning rather than in percentages as this does not really tell the story. So for every day missed this represents about 5 hours lost learning

Is my child too ill for school?

There are government guidelines for schools and nurseries about specific infectious diseases

<u>Is my child too ill for school? - NHS</u> (www.nhs.uk)

Snacks at Breaktime Fruit or Cereal Bar Only

Please ensure that your child only brings either fruit or cereal bar for breaktime snack.
Crisps, sweets are not permitted at breaktimes. Thank you.