



# Summer Term Newsletter

Number 422 – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023



Dear Parents/Carers

We are now in the final half-term of this current academic year. It has been a very busy few weeks with lots of exciting things happening at school.

Our children have been very busy undertaking some assessments in the last few weeks. Year 1 had a phonic screen check; Year 2 completed their SATs and Year 4 undertook a multiplication check. We are very proud of how well all our children have performed in these tests. The results will be included in your child's end of year report.

On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June some of our children took part in a spoken word presentation at St Bernadette's School in Kenton. Our children, along with children in the other schools in The All Saint's Trust, focused on a wordless book about love called, Shine. This book explored how we can spread love in the world. Our children explored the book and then wrote a speech on the book. The winners from each class from Year 1 to Year 6 then represented the school at St Bernadette's. We were very proud of how well the children spoke and presented their speeches. They were amazing and a real credit to the school. A video of the speeches will be uploaded and shared with you in the coming week.

We celebrated a very special event on Thursday this week when our Year 6 children joined with the other schools in our Academy Trust to celebrate a Year 6 leavers mass. This took place at English Martyrs' Church.

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, we will celebrate the 50-year anniversary of St Margaret Clitherow School. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will celebrate a mass with pupils and staff in the morning and then in the afternoon, we have invited parents and carers to celebrate with us. You will have received an invitation from your child inviting you to this event. We have also asked parents to provide some food to enjoy with the celebration. All food should be in by Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June if possible.

Bags to school is taking place again this term on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**. Please bring in all your clothes by this date.

Over the next few weeks, we will have many events taking place. Please check your child's bookbag and make sure you check on the Jotter so you are aware of what is happening.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your ongoing support.  
Mrs Heath

Headteacher

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## Children who have been awarded certificates w/e 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023

1 See next newsletter

2 See next newsletter

3 Rebecca Marilyn

4 Alex K Preston Antonia

5 Zuzanna Aerah Ayanna

6 See next newsletter

### Message from our Site Manager

Our site manager is very concerned at the amount of litter he finds at the end of each day, especially under the parent's shelter. He is constantly picking up food wrappers, crisp packets, yoghurt pots and general litter. If you give your child a snack on school grounds, please ensure that the wrappers go in the bin. We want to keep our school grounds nice and tidy, please do your bit to help us in this matter.

## FORTHCOMING DATES

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| 19 <sup>th</sup> June | Parent Interviews with Fr Albert  |
| 19 June               | Nursery & Reception 2023/2024 NEW parents meeting                             |
| 20 June               | Deanery Mass – Year 5   |
| 23 June               | Own Clothes Day (dress up as a Sports' Person) – Bring a gift for the tombola |
| 28 June               | 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebratory Mass and Tea Party                   |
| 30 June               | Year 6 Prom   |
| 4 July                | Sports' Day (KS2 and KS1)   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> July  | Sports' Day (Nursery and Reception)   |
| 6 July                | Music Concert   |
| 7 July                | Summer Fair   |
| 10 July               | Open Evening (except Y6)  |
| 13 July               | Leavers' Production Evening (6pm)   |
| 17 July               | Year 6 OPEN EVENING   |
| 19 July               | LAST DAY OF TERM 1.30PM FINISH  |

Please check out the calendar on the jotter for dates and times of events.

## ATTENDANCE WEEK COMMENCING

5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

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| Year 6               | 97.4 % |
| Year 3               | 96.8%  |
| Year 1               | 95%    |
| Year 5               | 94.5 % |
| Year 2               | 93.6%  |
| Year 4               | 89%    |
| Whole school overall | 94.4%  |

## Tombola and dress down day

The Friends of SMC will be running a Tombola stall at the **Summer Fair on 7<sup>th</sup> July**. Please bring your donations on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June and children can dress up as their favourite Sports' Person. Suitable items include gift cards, toiletry gift sets, small toys and games, notebooks, hand creams, Bags of sweets, homemade jams, tinned biscuits, gardening gifts etc. Thank you for your continued support.

## Volunteers needed for the Summer Fair!

If you can help label tombola gifts on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, or help set up stalls for the Fair on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July please let the School Office know. If you would like to have a stall, please let the office know and they will pass the message on to the Friends'.



# News Items



## REMINDERS

### Uniform

Summer Uniform is to be worn by all children this term but I would like you to use your discretion on the days when our weather can be windy, especially the girls and the summer dresses. Boys should be wearing the yellow polo shirts and not PE T-shirts or white shirt with ties.

On the subject of uniform, can I please remind parents to ensure your child wears full PE uniform on PE days. PE is a compulsory part of the curriculum so I would also like to remind parents that all children are expected to take part in sessions. The only exception is with the express instructions of a doctor. Leggings should not be worn as they are not hygienic especially with the hot weather that we are currently experiencing.

### Footwear

Please ensure that your child has the correct footwear for school. We have noticed that the same children have been asked numerous times to wear school shoes instead of trainers. Please support us with this by ensuring that your child has the correct footwear.

### Jewellery

Please note that jewellery is not permitted apart from stud earrings and a watch. Please, no Smart watches. Jewellery can be very dangerous and pose a safety hazard if worn during PE lessons.

### Summer Fayre

The Friends are currently organising activities for our Summer Fayre on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Many volunteers will be needed to set up and run the various stalls on the day. If you can help in any way, please let the school office know and your names will be passed on to the Friends.

### Hot weather

We have all enjoyed the recent spell of hot weather. We ask you to make sure that your child has a water bottle to ensure that they stay hydrated during this hot spell. Please also ensure that your child has a sun hat at school and that you apply sunscreen before your child comes to school in the morning.

### Music Concert

We will have our end of year music concert Nursery to Y6 on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July. N-Y2 9.30am – 10.15am Y3 – Y6 2.00pm – 3.00pm

### Year 6

Our Year 6 children will soon be leaving us. We will have various events taking place to celebrate their time with us.

There will be a Year 6 Leavers' Production in the evening of Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

Parents are invited to attend this event to mark this important milestone in your child's life. The Year 6 Prom will also take place on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July.

### Sport's Day

We will have a Sport's Day for KS1 and KS2 on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July**. Parents are welcome to attend. Nursery and Reception will have their Sports' Day on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 9.30am** – Parents are also welcome to attend.

### Breakfast Club

We run a **paid** breakfast club from 7:30am to 8:15am. Bagel club, which is free, then runs from 8:15am. We have noticed that some parents are dropping children before 8:15am and sending the children in to school to breakfast club without payment. If you do this before 8:15am you will be charged for breakfast club.