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Dear Parents,

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the Year 3 children on making their First Holy communion at Holy Trinity Church on 16th and 23rd June and also for your reverence and maturity during our Thanksgiving Mass in school this morning. A huge thank you to all of the staff involved in preparing the children so well and for making their days very special. A special thank you to the children who came and joined the choir with the singing- it was lovely and thank you to the children who supported their classmates during the Masses. Year 3 you are now apostles of Jesus.

Y6 Residential

Well done to year six who enjoyed a fabulous time on their residential last week. From listening to the staff, the activities you took part in sounded exhilarating, very exciting and your behaviour and team work was excellent. Thank you in particular to Miss Harris, Mrs Podraza and Mrs Halliday for supervising and supporting the children throughout the trip and surviving on very little sleep!

Y2 Trip to Kingsbury Water Park

This was a really enjoyable (and warm) day for the children and they had a fantastic learning experience. Thank you to the staff for organising the visit and for the parent volunteers who were able to attend the event.

FYR Assembly

Well done FYR for your fantastic assembly last week all about life cycles and the journey of the ducks. We are so proud of how brilliantly you completed your very first class assembly!

Catholic Athletics Competition

Well done to all of the children involved in the athletics competition last week and a special mention to Luella for achieving a certificate and medal for first place in the sprint. Thank you to Miss Gavin, Mr Lynch and Mr O'Hara for giving up their time to organise and attend the event.

Summer Weather

Now that we have entered into the summer term, and had a brief glimpse of summer weather, we will be allowing the children to use the fields more at lunch and playtimes.

Sun Cream / Protection

For the benefit of our FY and new parents to the school, under no circumstances should Sun Protection Cream be sent into school. If the weather requires sun protection this should be applied **at home before** coming to school. P20 and other similar products offer ALL DAY cover. Similarly, any hay fever and summer allergy over the counter medication should be taken prior to coming to school. Obviously hats, sunglasses (not toy ones) maybe worn as required. Staff, as always, will ensure that children have access to their water bottles throughout the day.

Dogs are not allowed on School Sites – please can all dogs remain off the school site please.

Bikes and Scooters

Could I also remind parents to ensure that children are not to be riding on bikes or scooters on school premises, Thank you for your cooperation.

Staffing and Transition

On Monday, we welcome back Miss Miller. Miss Miller will be working with intervention groups of children throughout the rest of the academic year while Mrs Hopwood continues to teach Y2M for the remainder of the academic year.

On Wednesday 3rd July, Year Six children will visit their new secondary schools for a transition day and children in FY up to Y5 will take part in their 'Moving Up Morning' where they will be taught by their new teacher in their new classroom.

The staff and class groups for September will be as follows:



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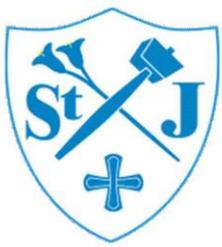
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Current Class and teacher	Moving to	New Class from September 2019-2020
		New FYR – Miss Rudd
		New FYP – Mrs Prentice and Mrs Terry
FYP - Mrs Prentice/Mrs Chambers	→	Y1A – Miss Andrews (new)
FYR – Miss Rudd	→	Y1W – Miss Wood
Y1G – Miss Gavin	→	Y2E – Miss Evans
Y1W – Miss Wood	→	Y2G – Miss Gavin
Y2E – Miss Evans	→	Y3B – Miss Birch and Y3I – Mrs Ives
Y2M – Mrs Hopwood / Miss Miller		Please see separate letter about Y2 transition to Y3
Y3B – Miss Birch	→	Y4L – Mrs Leahy
Y3T – Mrs Terry	→	Y4K – Mr Kay (new)
Y4I - Mrs Ives	→	Y5L – Mr Lynch
Y4L – Mrs Leahy	→	Y5G – Miss Gamlen (new)
Y5L – Mr Lynch	→	Y6H – Miss Harris

We welcome some new teaching staff in September – Miss Andrews, Miss Gamlen and Mr Kay.

We also welcome a new KS2 Teaching Assistant, Mrs Pritchard, who will be working across Y4 from September.

Guidance to Parents and Visitors Relating to Conduct on School Premises

There is a document on our school website called 'Guidance to Parents and Visitors Relating to Conduct on School Premises.' This is a document that has been adopted by the multi-academy and sets out information about how parents and visitors will be treated with respect, in line with our safeguarding policy, and how visitors and parents are expected to behave calmly, politely and respectfully. The guidance contains step by step information about how incidents will be dealt with if there are any cases of unacceptable behaviour. We thank the majority of our parents who are a pleasure to interact with; however, unfortunately, there have been a couple of incidents recently in which parents have spoken inappropriately to staff. Please familiarise yourself with this policy as school have been asked to use it to address incidents that arise.

Illness/ absence from school- If your child is absent through illness, please do not send them back to school until they have fully recovered. The majority of children who return when they are not 100% usually get sent back home again as they cannot cope with the school day. We also do not wish to pass on problems to others; children and staff. Thank you for your cooperation.

Lunchtime Supervisor

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. The summer term is an ideal way to earn a little money, help support the children at the school and enjoy the wonderful fresh air and sunshine. Please enquire at the office if you or someone you know is interested in applying.

Fun Run

Well done members of the PTA and children from St Joseph's who ran in the Sutton Fun Run on Sunday June 2nd. They are raising funds for the Laura Brook's and Simon Richard's charities. Please donate to the 'Just Giving Crowdfunding' page and help contribute: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jo-knight-gmfr?utm_id=2&utm_term=MMxWWdNqq
Many thanks for your support with this.

Allergies

Please note that we have a number of children in school, across each year group with severe allergies. Many of these are allergies to nuts. As a result, any products containing nuts are banned from school, including days when the children may be going on a school trip. Such products include: cereal bars containing nuts and Nutella etc... Please do not send your child into school with any products containing nuts as a matter of safeguarding all children.





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E-Safety Workshop for Parents

Unfortunately, the staff at the NSPCC had to cancel our planned Online Safety Workshop that was due to take place in May. This has been re-arranged for Monday 21st October at 2-3pm and a letter confirming the details will be sent out in September.

FY Outdoor Area

We have recently celebrated Outdoor Classroom Day and are trying to utilise our outdoor space for as much learning as possible. Foundation Year have been busy working on improving their outdoor area and we would like to thank EH Smiths who have donated some gravel for the area they have recently cleared.

Parent Feedback

We have noted that parents would like more information regarding their child's progress and how they can support at home. Our maths and RE workshops have proved popular and worthwhile in the past. Thank you to the parents who responded with further ideas of how we could involve you even more in your child's learning. A majority of parents have requested further information about supporting children's reading at home and reading is something we are working on making more high profile in school. As a result, we have planned a reading inspire workshop for parents on Tuesday 2nd July. Please see the separate invitation letter sent out.

PTA Donation

We are extremely grateful to the PTA who have donated £4000 for us to spend on reading books this year. It has been of huge benefit to the children and has enabled the KS2 classes in particular to really focus on a novel in depth as children have access to their own copy or share a copy with a friend. Here are some of the titles the money has been spent on:

FY – Being Safe, Going Out, Festivals, Our Families and Here to Help book packs

Y1 – Toys and Seaside topic books and a range of new storybooks

Y2 – Class sets of Traction Man, The Day the Crayons Quit and a selection of story books

Y3 – Class sets of The Twits, How to Train Your Dragon and The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

Y4 – Class sets of Diary of a Wimpy Kid, James and the Giant Peach and Roman topic books

Y5 – Class sets of The London Eye Mystery, The Girl of Ink and Stars and Letters from the Lighthouse

Y6 – Copies of The Explorer, Holes, Carrie's War, Goodnight Mr Tom, Room 13 and The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas

We also managed to purchase some new books to top up our selection of Oxford Reading Tree titles as well as over one hundred new books for the school library!

PTA Non-Uniform Days

This year's summer fete will take place on Friday 5th July from 5pm-7pm.

In order to generate items for stalls, we will be having out usual non-uniform days. Thank you to all for the donations received so far!

Next week, we have a non-uniform day for the following donations:

Friday 5th July – filled decorated paper bags (bags will be sent home in advance)

Thank you also to the PTA for organising the summer discos which took place on Wednesday. Thank you to everyone who supported the event and helped to raise money through the PTA for the children!

Cars on site

May I politely remind parents dropping and collecting from the Sunshine Club, NO parents' cars should be onsite after 8am or before 4.45pm. Any parents who are found repeatedly abusing this rule this role will have their membership of the Club rebuked. If parents' cars are on site during the permitted times, these must be parked in the allocated bays. Cars being parked outside of the bays are causing a danger and a hazard.





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Bishop Walsh

Mr Koryl has asked me to contact you in order to inform you of the following two events that will be taking place at Bishop Walsh Catholic school in July:

1. An Induction Evening for parents of children joining Bishop Walsh School THIS SEPTEMBER 2019 will be held on Wednesday 3rd July in their School hall at 6:30pm
2. An Information Evening for parents of children, at present in Year 5, who would like to apply for a place at Bishop Walsh Catholic School for September 2020 will take place at Bishop Walsh on Monday 8th July at 6:30pm

Bella Hall

Please remember Bella in your prayers, she was rushed into hospital for an emergency operation and is recovering well but slowly. Unfortunately, we won't see her now until September when hopefully she will be fully recovered.

This weekend we celebrate the feast of St Peter and Paul. We will hear how the disciple Simon recognises Jesus as the Messiah and how Jesus gives Simon a new name (Peter, meaning Rock).

Jesus tells Peter that he will build his church on him.



God of all, just as Simon Peter built the Church, may we be rocks of faith and stand firm in your name. Amen.

Yours sincerely,

G M O'Hara
Executive Principal

Mrs N Hill
Head of School

Previous newsletters and other information can be found on our School website: www.stjosutton.net

Dates for your Diary – July		
Monday 1st July	All day	FY visit Sutton Park
Monday 1st July	Morning	MAC Maths Competition
Tuesday 2nd July	9:00am	Reading Inspire Workshop
Wednesday 3rd July	Morning	FY-Y5 Moving Up Morning with their new class teachers Y6 Transition to new secondary school for the day
Friday 5th July	All Day	Non uniform – filled paper bag donations please
Friday 5th July	9:00am	FYP Class Assembly – All Welcome
Friday 5th July	5-7pm	PTA Summer Fayre
Sunday 7th July	9:00am	Children's Mass at Holy Trinity Church
Tuesday 9th July	9:30-11:30am 1:00-3:00pm	KS1 Sports Day KS2 Sports Day





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Wednesday 10th July	10:00am	Y3B and Y4L walk to Holy Trinity Church for Mass
Thursday 11th July	All day	MAC FEST Event at Bishop Walsh for Y5 and Y6
Friday 12th July	9:00am	Congratulations Assembly – all welcome

Other diary dates to note:

End of year reports will be sent out on Friday 12th July

Year 6 End of Year production - Wednesday 17th July 6:30pm

Year 6 Leavers Mass and Memories Assembly - Friday 19th July 9.00am

Year ends – Friday 19th July

2019-20 Inset Days

Please note, our inset days for next academic year are as follows:

- Monday 2nd September 2019
- Monday 30th September 2019
- Friday 29th November 2019
- Monday 24th February 2020
- Monday 1st June 2020



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