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## NEWSLETTER

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

**First Holy Communion** - This weekend will be our last cohort of children to make their Holy Communion. A huge thanks to everyone; parents, clergy and catechists for all of their support in preparation over the past few months. On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June our year 4 children will celebrate Mass with their peers from Holy Trinity at 10.00am. All are welcome to attend the St Peter and St Paul Mass. Parents/carers can choose to allow their children to come dressed in their communion clothes. However, school uniform must be brought to school to change into for the afternoon.

As part of their Sacramental celebrations, year 4 will visit the cinema that afternoon.

**Transition for Y6** – Change of date. Due to the NEU industrial action children will be attending their secondary school as rearranged by their individual schools. A link has been sent to all Y6 parents on the Parentapp to check which day their transition is taking place. Parents are asked to take their child directly to the secondary school on that specific day.

**NEU industrial action** - More information will follow regarding which classes will be open on 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July.

**Book Look 5<sup>th</sup> July** - This year reception to year 6 parents/carers we will be having an informal book look, following the receipt of your child's annual school report. Please enter school through the school office between the hours of 3.30pm and 5.30pm. This is to ensure that SLT know who is on site. Parents can celebrate their child's work. NEU industrial action will not affect this event.

**Everybody Read!** Follow this link for some ideas about how to encourage your child to read aloud at home [Everybody Read](#)

**Stay and Play** – Nursery parents/carers are invited to attend a stay and play session in the nursery classroom on the afternoon of Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July. Children attending morning only will be allowed to stay all day. Further information will follow.

**Well Being Week** – What a week this has been for our children, following the success of year 6 and year 2 SATS, year 4 multiplication times tables and year 1 phonics screening. As part of our opening ceremony children received a personal video message from Archbishop Malcom Malone. The activities have been delivered by our staff and outside agencies including; *Food for Thought*, *A Quiet Place*, *Early Mental Health Practitioner*, *School Health*, *Mini First Aid*, *Yoga Bugs* and the *interactive playground* which was set up in the school hall. See our Twitter page for all this week's activities.

**Polytunnel** - We have a bumper crop this year thanks to Ms York and Ms Campbell who, working with our gardening clubs, have worked tirelessly to produce some seasonal vegetables. There will be a stall at the Summer Fair to celebrate our "plot to plate" produce.

**New Reception intake** - We welcomed our new children to the St Austin's family this week. It was a wonderful experience and the children were happy to meet the staff and their new friends. We look forward to welcoming them back in September.

**Inclusion Quality Mark** - We are delighted to inform you that from September 2023 we will be starting our journey towards the Inclusion Quality Mark. More information will follow in September.

**Attendance and Punctuality** – for the rest of this term we have so much planned for our children including school trips, sports days and transition events. It is important that all children are in school, on time, so that they can fully participate in all of these activities. We thank you for your cooperation.



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**ASD coffee morning** - if your child has a diagnosis of ASD, is on the pathway or you have concerns around this area we'd like to invite you to a coffee morning with the ASD team this Monday at 9.15am. Please contact the office if you would like to attend.

**Year 6 Production** – Rehearsals are well under way for our year 6 production. Please see dates for the diary below.

**SAPTA Summer Fair** – The summer fair will take place next Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. All donations are still coming into school, thank you. We are still in need of bottles for the bottle tombola. On the day of the fair we ask for children to wear their own clothes. As this year we are having a “Carnival theme” we ask for children to dress in bright colours. On this occasion **no** football kits. Let's be creative!

Please come along and support our fair, it is always a fun event for our children!

**SAPTA Book Fair** – The SAPTA Book Fair will be in school from 28<sup>th</sup> June – 12<sup>th</sup> July.

**School Photographer** – Our school photographer has taken some beautiful photos of nursery, reception and Year 6 children this week. A link has been sent on Parentapp to those year groups. Early orders can be delivered to school before we finish. Later orders will be sent to individual addresses, at a charge.

**Reunion Class of '73** – Today we welcomed the St Austin's leavers class of 1973. The reunion commemorated 50 years since leaving St Austin's. The visitors were delighted to meet the children and take a tour of the school. The afternoon was finished off with a rendition from our school Choir!

**Breakfast club** - Please ensure that you bring your children to the entrance of breakfast club so staff can register them correctly. Children should never be left unattended to walk around on the school premises. This is a safeguarding issue if a child falls and needs attention on entering the school gates.

**Riverbank Road Parking** - A polite reminder that with open evenings, school fair and end of year six activities coming up in the next few weeks we would ask you to be considerate with any parking around school, particularly on Riverbank Road. Thank you for your cooperation.

**End of term** – School will close on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 2.15pm.

#### Dates for the diary

Jun 30 <sup>th</sup>	SAPTA Summer Fair
July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Parent/Carer book look
Jul 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Production
Jul 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Production
Jul 14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 inflatables
Jul 17 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Mass 10.00am
Jul 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Disco 6.00pm
Jul 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of term for pupils - school closes 2.15pm

And finally, during a busy half term, I hope all our school community can enjoy the last few weeks, with lots of fun activities for all.

Warmest wishes

Colette Hickey  
Headteacher



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