

St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 16th July 2021



What a year it has been! There have been highs and lows, but parents, children and staff have all worked together as *team St Ann's* and we couldn't be prouder! We wish all of our Y6s well for the adventures that lie ahead, and look forward to welcoming our new Reception Class to St Ann's in September. Wishing you all an enjoyable and restful summer break. Parents, carers and grandparents... tig you're it!

Upcoming Events...

Thursday 2nd September
Friday 10th September – 8:50am

Return to school – Autumn Term Begins
Proud to be Me Assembly – Family warmly invited

Plugs for Parents...

September: It has felt like a long time coming, but we have had excellent news that we can expect everything to return to normal in September. This means that we can reintroduce family dining, *Proud to be Me* assemblies and invite family and friends to events and gatherings.

Morning Registration: Attached with this newsletter is our attendance policy. From September we will be monitoring attendance and punctuality closely. For reference, here is the School's Attendance Expectations:

Appendix 1 – School's Attendance Expectations

8:30am	Classroom doors open
8:40am	Classroom doors close and children need to enter school via the main entrance after this time
8:50am	Morning registration begins. Children arriving after this time will be marked as 'L' (Late before registration closes)
9:00am	Morning registration closes. Children arriving after this time will be marked as 'U' (Late after registration closes). Parents/carers should go straight to the school office where the pupil will make their way to class and parent will be expected to provide a reason for their lateness.

Change to the Menu: On the first week back in September there will be a change to the menu. Thursday 2nd September will be hot dog sausages and wedges or a wrap with a choice of fillings. Friday 3rd September will be everything on the menu, but there will be no jacket potato option.

Yellow Zig Zags: Thank you to all parents who adhere to the yellow road markings outside the main school entrance. Please could we remind the few parents who regularly pull up on these markings to drop their children off, not to. This is not a drop off point, thank you.

Head Lice are back in School! Reception/Y1 have had a number of cases of headlice. Please keep checking your child's hair regularly over the summer holidays and treat where necessary.

Autumn Term 1 - PE Days:

Reception/ Y1	Thursdays
Year 2	Tuesdays and Fridays
Year 3/4	Mondays and Wednesdays
Year 5/6	Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Wednesday Word: Please follow [this link](#) for this week's Wednesday Word.

Plugs for Parents Continued...

National Online Safety (NOS): Valorant is one of the hottest first-person shooters on the market. Developed by Riot Games (makers of the hugely popular League of Legends) its gameplay is similar to titles like Overwatch and Counter-Strike: Global Offensive. Players choose a character and face off in teams of five against five opponents. Currently available only on PC through the Riot Games site, Valorant requires quick reflexes and dedication to progress. However, between dealing with other players, navigating the online store and avoiding possible addiction, there's plenty for parents and carers to consider before allowing children to play. In the attached guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as addiction, violence and in-game purchases.

News...

Sponsored Walk: Well done to everyone who participated in the sponsored walk. Your efforts have raised a fantastic £1350. This is an amazing achievement and we would like to thank all of our children's family and friends for their support. The top 7 fundraisers have all been awarded vouchers for Smyths Toys and all the children have been given a little bag of Haribo to enjoy. Now we can get the school calendar back on track, our next sponsored walk will be on our usual date of 1st October.

Thank you: A big thank you to Andrew Fletcher for sourcing the gardening equipment we were so desperately in need of. The tools are already coming in handy and will get plenty of use!

Beat the Street: Keep beating those boxes over the holidays!

Attached with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety guide to Online Valorant
- Stocksbridge Library Holiday Activities
- Passport Activity Newsletter
- Dolce Autumn Term Menu
- Attendance Policy