



ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 2: 13th SEPTEMBER 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a lovely week in school, there is so much learning taking place. I have had the pleasure of teaching in all the classes from Year 1 to Year 6 and have been really impressed with how well all of the children have settled and are working. I was especially pleased with how well everyone worked on Magic Monday. It was the first time that we have tried something like this and it was great to see how much everyone enjoyed the day. I also know that our external providers were really impressed with the children's behaviour and had a great day too. Long may it continue!

We have also had a beautiful mass that was led by Fr. Alphonsus as a start to our new school year.

There are lots of events happening this half term so please keep your eye on the website and Dojo to stay up to date with all that is going on.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding and keeping everyone in our community safe is our top priority at St. Boniface and we appreciate your support in helping us to fulfil this duty. We regularly review our systems and check our processes and always appreciate any feedback that you can give us. If there is something that you think we could improve regarding safeguarding then please come and speak to us as well. Our designated safeguarding team are Miss Campbell, Mrs Rose and myself.

If you have any concerns at all about any child, please contact one of our safeguarding team immediately.

Attendance

Attendance is our number one priority on our school improvement and development plan this year. This is because in order to learn, children need to be in school. As part of our attendance focus we will be implementing lots of initiatives to support better attendance for all children.

Magic Mondays is part of this and has already had an impact with 96% attendance across the whole school on Monday. We were delighted with this. Another of our initiatives is to have a little Foodie Friday where there will be a range of snacks on offer to pupils who are in school between 8.45am and 9 am.

We really appreciate your help improving our attendance. This week our whole school attendance is 97.9% and Year 6 achieved 100%. Fabulous work! Thank you all so much for your support with this. I would love for us to manage this all term!



Learning Behaviours

We have our six core values that link to our mission statement, but we are also focusing on developing learning behaviours. These are **Resilience, Empathy, Self-Awareness, Passion, Excellence, Communication and Teamwork**. Each week we will be looking at how our children are learning and awarding Dojos for these qualities.

Uniform

School uniform consists of a school jumper or cardigan, light blue shirt, grey/black trousers or skirt/pinafore, a school tie, grey or black socks/tights, and black shoes. For PE days children will need a PE kit. The PE kit is a plain white tee shirt, blue shorts and black pumps. Please make sure that all items of uniform including PE kit are labelled clearly with your child's name.

Swimming

Swimming for Year 4 takes place every Friday and will run until December. Year 3 will then start swimming lessons from January.

Magic Monday

This was a really successful way to begin the week. From this coming Monday, please could all pupils from years 1 to 6 come into school in their PE kits for the day. Joggers are allowed so that everyone is warm enough and so that they are comfortable throughout the day.

After School Clubs

Currently we have on offer: Basketball, Technola, Ukulele, Craft club, Football Club, and Recorder Club please check on Parent pay for more details. Clubs will change every half term so that we are able to ensure that we are meeting the needs of every child.

Robinwood

Next week our year 6 pupils are attending their annual residential to Robinwood near Wrexham with Miss Clayton, Mr Sixsmith and Miss Charlesworth. Please could all those children who are attending be at school with their kit on Monday morning at 8.45 prompt. Children should be back in school by 3.15 on Wednesday.

Into University

On the week beginning the 30th September Year 6 will be attending Intu University for every day. Please complete permission slips online as soon as possible.

Bikeability

On the week beginning 30th September Year 5 have the opportunity to participate in Bikeability. Please complete the forms provided and speak with Mrs Kynaston if you have any questions regarding this.



Booster Groups

From the week beginning the 23rd September we will be running after school booster groups or pupils in Year 6 who would benefit from an extra focused session working on Maths or English. If your child is invited to attend these sessions please support them in doing so.

Sacramental Programme

If your child is in Key Stage 2 and you would like them to make their Holy Communion this year, please contact me as soon as possible and register your interest. We will be running the Sacramental programme after school on a Tuesday this year for 45 minutes each week starting after the October half term.

Clothes Collection

If you have had a sort out during the school holidays, we are having a clothes collection on Friday 27th September, school can take all clothes (not school uniform or work branded wear) shoes, bags and belts. This helps us raise money for school funds. You can bring your bags to the school office any time before the 27th.

School lunches

Please make sure that you choose your child's lunch before school via School Grid so that they are able to have their meal of choice. If there is no pre order completed the default meal is a cheese sandwich. We have changed lunch times to make things quieter for everyone and to give the children more space to play on the playgrounds. This has been working well this week.

Well done to all our pupils who were chosen for the Golden Table this week.

Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to, Marcel, Razan and Briley, enjoy your celebrations

Congratulations to our star pupils this week who have been chosen by their teachers for a special mention.

Thank you to all the parents who have not allowed their children to play on the playground equipment before and after school, please can I remind parents to not allow their children on any of the play equipment for health and safety reasons.

Have a lovely weekend

God bless

Mrs Groarke