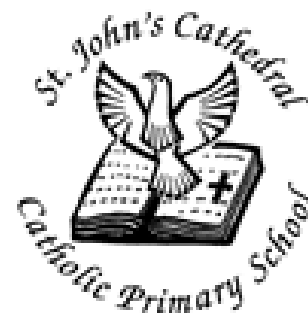


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20<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Dear Parents,

I can't believe how fast this term is flying by. Hopefully the following information will help you plan for what's cropping up over the next few weeks.

### **Congratulations**

To all our children who made their First Holy Communion last month. Although the programme has now ended I hope your children will continue to attend Mass on a regular basis. If you are at Mass most Sundays and would like your child to have the opportunity to become an altar server, please let me know and I will arrange for them to start.

### **Dogs**

Just a reminder that dogs are not allowed on to the school playground.

### **Packed Lunches**

As a school we promote healthy eating and would ask that sweets and bars of chocolate are not included in your child's packed lunch. Please also be mindful that as the weather hopefully gets warmer chocolate does have a tendency to melt in lunchboxes.

### **Coats**

Please make sure your child always brings a raincoat to school with them. The weather is very unpredictable at the moment.

### **Book Club**

Leaflets for the Scholastic Book Club have been circulated. Please return any orders to Mrs. Wilson in the office by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Cheques to be made payable to Scholastic.



## **Book Fair**

We are holding a Book Fair in school next week on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3.40 p.m. in the hall. We do hope you will be able to visit with your child and explore the new titles on offer. If we sell £300 worth of books we will receive the same amount in free books for the school.

## **Family Fun Afternoon**

This will be taking place on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 3.30 p.m. The Parents Forum will be sending out further details of donations required for the various stalls shortly.

## **Parent Governor**

Following the Parent Governor Election I am pleased to inform you that Mr. Malcolm Bray has been appointed Parent Governor.

## **School Uniform**

If you need to purchase any school uniform this can be done before we break up for the holidays or on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September. No uniform will be on sale on the 6<sup>th</sup> September.

## **Building Fund**

If you have not yet paid this term's building fund please can you ensure it is paid to the school office before the end of term.

## **Strike Action**

Many of you have heard that some of the teachers unions have voted to take strike action on the 30<sup>th</sup> June. I am not yet sure whether some of the staff will be on strike. We will however be open on the 30<sup>th</sup> June even if I am not able, on that day, to offer the children their full curriculum entitlement. If this situation changes I will let you know as soon as possible, but I am not envisaging it will.

## **John Chandler**

John is a past pupil of St. John's and uncle to Sophie, Jimmy, Lena and Bethany who are pupils at our school. He will be ordained as a priest at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 11.30 a.m. His first Mass will be at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 10.00 a.m. Everyone at the school is welcome to either of these celebrations. Please remember John in your prayers.

## **Families Leaving**

If you know you are moving and that your child will not be attending St. John's in September, please can you let the school office know in writing as soon as possible?

## **Mr. McCrorie**

We said goodbye to Mr. McCrorie at half term. He has started work with the security team at the civic Offices. We wish him well for the future.

## **Mr. Hellyer**

We welcome back Mr. Hellyer from retirement. He will be with us until September, by which time we will hopefully have a new caretaker in place.

Hopefully the following will help you in planning for the rest of term:

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	New Reception Parents Meeting in school 7 p.m.
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 5 at Charter School all day.
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	3.00 p.m. Year 4 and 5 viola concert.
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery trip to Blue Reef.  Scholastic Book Fair in hall 3.40 p.m.  New Reception Parents Meeting in the Cathedral 7 p.m.
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Mass in the Cathedral for St. Peter and St. Paul 9.30 a.m. All welcome.  Year 2 performing in Guildhall Concert p.m.  Scholastic Book Fair in hall 3.40 p.m.
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Scholastic Book Fair in hall 3.40 p.m.
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Oaklands Transition Day for Year 6
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	11.30 a.m. John Chandler's ordination at the Cathedral. All welcome.
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	1.30 – 6.00 p.m. Super Sixes Football Tournament at Rugby Camp.
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET DAY – School closed.  St. Edmund's transition day for Year 6.
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	New Reception children visiting.  3.30 p.m. Family Fun afternoon.
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Key Stage 2 pupils at New Theatre Royal p.m.

- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July                      Year 4 and 5 viola event at the Kings theatre  
9.30 – 11.15 a.m.
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July                            Athletics at Mountbatten Centre 1.00 – 5.00 p.m.
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July                         2.00 p.m. Year 6 Peter Pan performance  
  
7.00 p.m. Year 6 Peter Pan performance
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July                      Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 fitness day. Parents  
are welcome to come and picnic with their children  
at lunch time.
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July                    Year 6 Leavers Mass at the Cathedral followed by  
a picnic.  
  
3.00 p.m. Parents' e-safety session in your child's  
class
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July                         9.00 a.m. End of Term Assembly  
  
p.m. Year 6 end of year celebration event.
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July School closed for INSET DAYS
- School restarts at 8.45 a.m. on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher