

Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School



'We Learn, We Love, We Grow in Jesus' Name'

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Summer Dates



Date	Event	Time	Parents Invited
Monday 6 May	Bank Holiday		
Tuesday 7 May	Children return to school		
Tuesday 7 May	Y6 Booster Class	3.30pm – 4.30pm	No
Thursday 9 May	Class 1 Disney Festival Children will need to bring their PE Kits to school with them	Afternoon	No
Monday 13 May	Year 6 SATs Week all children to be in school by 8.45am	All week	No
Monday 13 May	Holy Communion Practise at Brooms Church – Holy Communion Children only	3.30pm	Yes (Y4)
Friday 17 May	Non-Uniform Day/Wear Green Mental Health Awareness (No fund raising)	All Day	No
Saturday 18 May	First Holy Communion Mass – Brooms Church	12.00	Yes
Tuesday 21 May	Ultimate Frisbee Day – Whole School Children will need to bring their PE Kits to school with them	All Day	No
Thursday 23 May	Year 3/4 Children – Quad Kids Children will need to bring their PE Kits to school with them	Afternoon	No
Friday 24 May	Half Term Starts	3.20pm	
Monday 3 June	Children return to school	8.45am	
Wednesday 12 June	Class 1 & Class 2 Visit to Beamish	All Day	No
Monday 17 June	Careers Week	All Week	No

Please note that all dates are also on the School Website

Statement to Live By
'I stand up for people who are being treated unfairly'

SAT Week Information for all Parents/Carers


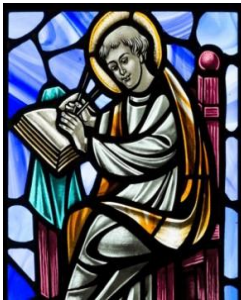


Just a reminder that our Year 6 SAT week starts on **Monday 13 May** this year. Letters have been sent out to all Year 6 parents/carers regarding this. Year 6 children are invited to come to school from 8.15am each day for breakfast.

It is essential that all children **arrive in school on time (8.45am)** to minimise any disruption to our Year 6 children.

Any messages or requests would need to be passed to staff via phone or email as staff will not have availability for any unscheduled meetings at the entrance on a morning.

If any matters are urgent please contact school via phone as there will be limited accessibility from the school gate/main entrance throughout the week.

HOUSE POINTS

Feast Days	St Aidan	St Bede	St Benedict	St Cuthbert
31 August				
25 May				
11 July				
20 March				
Weekly Total	180	183	187	217
Running Total	755	735	689	969

Congratulations to this week's winners – St Cuthbert's House

Attendance

In line with our Bishop Wilkinson Catholic Education Trust Policy, all children should be in their classrooms ready to start lessons by **8.55am**. Children will be marked late after **8.55am**. If your child is not going to be in school, you must contact school before **9.30am**. If not, this may result in a welfare call to your home.

Year 2 Swimming

Year 2 children will be swimming for a further two lessons – Monday 13 May and Monday 20 May. Please ensure they bring their swimming kits to school.

Reading

Class 1 – Reading Books will be changed every Friday
Books should be brought into school every day
Class 2 – Reading Books should be in school every day, books will be changed once the children have quizzed if they are on Accelerated Reader or on a Friday if the access Read Write Inc.
Class 3 – Reading Books should be brought into school every day and will be changed as and when the children have quizzed on Accelerated Reader.

Mrs Stanyer

After 29 years of working at Brooms School as Cleaner & Lunchtime Supervisor, Mrs Stanyer has decided to retire. Her last day will be Friday 10th May 2024.

Ms Ronsdale

We are very pleased to welcome Ms Ronsdale, our newly appointed lunchtime supervisor, who started with us this week. Welcome to our school family Ms Ronsdale!

Accelerated Reader

Children who use our Accelerated Reader programme, are now able to access Accelerated Reader Quizzes at home. Children have a QR code which is stuck in their Reading Records, which will take them to our school Accelerated Reading site, where they will be able to log on and quiz as they do in school. Children should ideally quiz within 24 hours of finishing their reading books.

PE Days & PE Kit

Class 1 – Monday afternoon (13.05.14 & 20.05.24 only) and will then return to Thursday afternoon after half term

Class 2 – Monday afternoon

Class 3 – Wednesday afternoon

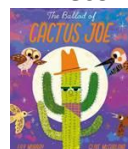
We have noticed that a number of children are not bringing their PE Kit to school with them. Reminder that all children should be wearing their PE Kits which consist of:

Plain dark shorts / leggings / tracksuit bottoms
White polo shirt/white shirt or white T shirt.
School cardigan or jumper - **No football tops please**

Please be mindful some PE lessons take place outside

No jewellery should be worn

Recommended Reads for April 2024



EYFS



KS1



Lower KS2



Upper KS2

THE WORD

SHARING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL WITH PARENTS & FAMILIES

Dear Parents and Carers,

God is love and all love comes from God, when we invite Jesus, as a loving friend, into our family life then love grows and life becomes more joyful.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus entrusts his friends, the disciples, with his message of unconditional love, and asks them to carry it to the whole world - not just in their words but also in their actions.

A Word from Pope Francis

"The family's strength lies in its capacity to love and to teach how to love. Let us ask the Lord for the grace to love everyone."

Wednesday 1st May 2024

Love is life's greatest blessing and Jesus' message is for us too. By loving as Jesus loves, we too become his friends and we experience the harmony and peace which comes from following his command - to love.

Enjoy a very special time this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is **LOVE**.

Dom Henry Walsbrough

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 5th May 2024

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love, if you keep my commandments: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants anymore, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another."

Adapted from John 15:9-17
The 6th Sunday of Easter, Year B

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful. Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

2024 The Year of Prayer: Family Time Prayer & Share

Good News for Everyone

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus gives his friends, the disciples, a new commandment - they must love one another as Jesus loves them, with whole-hearted and unlimited generosity. Everyone likes to be loved and family and school life become more joyful when we follow Jesus' command to love one another.

Breakfast Club & After School Clubs

Our breakfast club now starts at **8am**. Children can be admitted up to **8.15am**.

Please remember children for breakfast club should be in school no later than **8.15am**.

Monday – Drawing with Rob

Tuesday – Mini Vinnies Club

Wednesday – Sports Club

Thursday – Board Games

Please remember to book your child's place and pay on Arbor or cash in to school, 50p per session.

Multiplication Tables – Class 2

This week's Times Table is the 12 Times Table and the test will be Friday 10 May.