St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter - June 2023



Dear parents/carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you are safe and well. There is a great deal of information in respect to key dates for the month of July so please ensure you take the time to read carefully. Can I please take this opportunity to formally welcome Miss Kerrie Leigh Hughes (nursery) and Mrs Kate Tuff (Year 1) who will be joining the staff at St Mary's from September 2023. We are delighted to welcome them to the team. Further details will be enclosed in the July newsletter including up to date details of all the school staff. School reports will be sent out during the final week of the summer term.

From September, the school day will be changing. Gates will close in the morning at **8:55.** Children who arrive after this time will go to the main entrance to sign in. The school day will end at **3:20 for Key Stage 1 and 2.** It will end at **3:10 for Nursery and Reception** to allow parents time to collect their child from the main playground where required.



Our parish prayer:

Almighty Father, Lord of all creation, by the power of the Holy Spirit You have revealed yourself through your Son Jesus Christ and called us into friendship with you. You have made us in your image, And you teach us to love you And love our neighbor as ourselves. Open our hearts and our minds to see you in everyone By following Jesus' example and by making his words our own. May we respect and steward the whole creation as living witnesses to truth and freedom to peace and justice so that all may be raised up to a new hope and flourish in harmony. Through Christ our Lord Amen



Monday 3rd July

Extra swim session for Year 6 normal time after lunch.

Monday 3rd and 4th July

Year 5 Bikeability.

Wednesday 5th July

Extra swim session for Year 5 please be at school for 8.30am as coach leaving at 8.45am

Thursday 6th July

Quad Kids Athletic Festival please confirm via ParentPay

Thursday 6th July

Year 5 at the Grimsby Auditorium confirm via ParentPay

Friday 7th July

Extra swim session for Year 5 please be at school for 8.30am as coach is leaving at 8.45am

Tuesday 11th July

Sports Day

Wednesday 12th July

End of Year Mass

Monday 17th July

Tuesday 18th July

Wednesday 19th July

Year 4 taster/induction sessions for swimming. Please go on ParentPay to confirm.

Thursday 20th July

Break up for Summer Holiday

Sunday 20th August

Final date for ordering meals on Meal selector

Wednesday 6th September

Back to school

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Staff Car Park

Due to health and safety concerns, please can parents/carers and children stop walking through the staff car park. It is a busy area with staff going in and out all day and deliveries.

Thank you

School Website and Class Dojo

Please visit the **school website** for updates on your children's work, polices and up to date guidelines and information.

https://www.saintmarysprimarygrimsby.co.uk/



Attendance - Absences

If you are planning to take your child out of school for any reason other than a medical appointment that cannot be arranged out of school time, please contact the school office to fill in a request for leave form.

Upon completion, the decision is then made whether the absence is authorised or unauthorised. If you fail to fill a form in with enough notice, then the absence will be unauthorised. Unauthorised absences are reported to the Education Welfare Officer and a fine could be issued. No holidays during term time are permitted.

It is your responsibility to inform school on each day of absence. Please do this by calling the school office on **01472 357982** before 9am. You can also email the school office at

office@smp.nelcmail.co.uk or send a message on the Scholarpack app.





Reminder to all parents/carers to please, preorder lunches. Meal selector run 2 weeks ahead and deadlines are every Sunday.

Please order by 20th August for meals commencing 6th September.

Please follow link - https://nel.mealselector.co.uk/

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Breakfast Club

What a fantastic month the children have had who attend breakfast club. Our sports provider, Be Great Fitness, offers fun, entertaining and diverse range of activities to help your pupils stay active. Breakfast clubs caters to all fitness levels and interests.

It starts every morning from 7.45am and is £1 per session. Please book via ParentPay.

Afterschool clubs September

New and exciting clubs will be available for September. Please keep an eye out for updates on Dojo and please use ParentPay to book your child on. We have sent an Afterschool Club questionnaire home for parents and careers to fill out.

We thank you for your support.

Sports Day

We are very excited to reveal Sports Day will be on Tuesday 11th July. Early Years in the morning and Key Stage 1 and 2 in the afternoon. We are hoping for sunshine so please remember to provide plenty of water, a hat and to apply sun cream before school. Parents and careers are very welcome to join on the sports field. Ice-cream will be available to buy on site from 13.15pm. Thank you

Panathlon Ten Pin

A group of children attended Panathlon ten pin bowling event. They had a great time and learnt new skills and even came away with medals. Well done!



Nursery and Reception Transition <u>Days</u>

We are really looking forward to welcoming our new starters to Reception and Nursery. Transition into Nursery and Reception is key to making a strong start in school. Miss Souter will be in touch to confirm which days your child will be attending and to discuss September.

What is Pupil Premium?

Pupil Premium give schools extra funding per year from the government for each child from families on low income. The school uses it to plan and support learning opportunities for those children. Children from Reception to Year 6 can benefit from this. In order to receive this additional funding, we are required to provide information to the Department for Education confirming which children meet the government criteria. What are the benefits of Pupil Premium?

- Free school meals
- Free milk
- Holiday food vouchers. (If local council offers these)
- Holiday activates vouchers. (if local council offers these)
- Provides additional funding for the school to cover costs of school trips and other educativates. If you think your child is entitled to Pupil Premium, please pop to the office for a form.

