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# Friday 1st July 2022

Term	Start	Half Term	Reopens	Term Ends
Summer Term 2022				Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July <u>2.00pm</u>
Autumn Term 2022	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Training Day- School Closed Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Children Return	Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2.00pm

## **Catholic Life**

### **Class Mass**

The next Class Masses are Thursday 7th July – Rec (14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time) and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July–Year 6 Leavers Mass (15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time). Please email the school office, if you would like to book a place

## **Wednesday Word**

Please find the link for this week's *Wednesday Word*, which shares Sundays Gospel with parents and families.

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/change?pid=MTA101634&v=4.4

## **Ten Parent Newsletter**

The following link takes you to the Parents newsletter for June <a href="https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/parents/">https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/parents/</a>

### Parish of SS John and Martin

Please click on the following to access the current SS John and Martin parish newsletter.

http://www.ssjohnandmartin.org.uk/newsletter.htm

## Feast of St Peter and St Paul

The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul is a liturgical feast in honour of the apostles Saint Peter and Saint Paul, which was observed on 29th June.

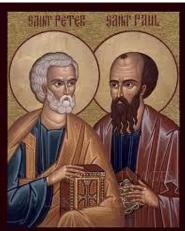
Peter, the first Pope, began the task of building God's Church here on earth. We pray for (Benedict) our Pope, and all Bishops and priests who are continuing this work today. May God be a light to them - and help them as they lead us.

We pray for missionaries, like Paul, who spread God's message of love in far-away countries.



To conclude Refugee week, the children made 'Gifts of Welcome' for Refugees. These handmade offerings were then given to Birch Network, which is an Asylum Seeker and Refugee support network. The children's gifts were distributed and we received letters of thanks and were informed that the children's offerings had made a lot of people seeking sanctuary happy.





## Commonwealth Games Week 20th - 24th June

A very successful Commonwealth Games week was held last week. Many photos featured on our school Twitter @SSJohnMonicas. All children were awarded with a certificate and a medal at our final closing assembly, for their participation. Well done to everyone!

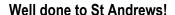
## Bling your Bike to school

Thank you to everyone who participated. There were some fantastic entries! The winners for the most original and creatively decorated bikes were: Reception - Arsema, Year 1 - Xavier, Year 2 - Kushagra, Year 3 – Ava, Year 4 - Mae, Year 5 – Caleb & Year 6 - Mark

### **Sports Day House Point Totals**

Thank you to all those who came along to Sports Day last Friday 24th June. We were delighted that the weather held and the children had a lovely active morning. The results for the Sports Day trophy were as follows:

St Andrew's 273 points St Patrick's 259 points St George's 254 points St David's 229 points



# **Birmingham Commonwealth Games**

With only 27 days to go! The Birmingham 2022 Queen's Baton Relay is arriving in Birmingham on 27th July for a two-day tour ahead of the opening ceremony at Alexander Stadium. For information about the Birmingham route, go to:

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/news/article/1120/birmingham\_2022\_queen\_s\_baton\_relay\_route\_through\_the\_proud host\_city\_is\_revealed



The following children from Year 5, Ranell, Caleb, Felicity, Aleks and Chitrani took part in a computing festival/competition at Bishop Challoner. The children had to complete tasks/challenges involving all aspects of computing including: Binary Code, Drone Racing, Drone Obstacle Course, Virtual Reality Teddy Hunt, Virtual Reality Drone Flying and many more. Altogether, there were 11 schools taking part and the children came second, which was amazing! The children were real ambassadors for our school and we are very proud of them! A big 'Thank you' to Miss Hill for supporting the children in the lead-up and throughout the event.

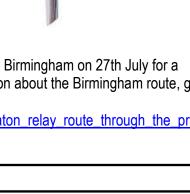


### **Little Princess Trust**

Johanna (Y6) has decided to cut and donate her hair to the Little Princess Trust, which provides free wigs to children that have lost their hair due to cancer and other conditions. Johanna decided to do this about 1.5 years ago and has been growing her hair ever since. She decided to donate her hair to the charity to make a difference to another child's life.

Johanna is also raising money for the Little Princess Trust alongside her hair donation. Her family have set up a JustGiving page for this and Johanna has written a little speech about her decision, which you can read on the page. https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/johanna-de-valliere

As a school, we are extremely proud of her thoughtfulness for others. If you would like to donate, please follow the link above.



#### Rewards

The following children have been chosen by their class teachers for regularly accessing the following educational programmes:

Name	MyOn	Reading Eggspress	
Year 1	Anna G	Yoel	
Year 2	Ayyana	Hafsa	
Year 3	Arlo	Laiq	
Year 4	Alayna	Sarah	
Year 5	Chitrani	Hibba	
Year 6	Jeremiah	Bavleen	



Well done to **St George's House** for having the highest house point total over the last two weeks! 1st **St George – 2102** 2nd **St David – 1405** 3rd **St Andrew - 1287** 4th **St Patrick - 771** 

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

Well done to Year 1 for achieving the highest Class Attendance for June – 97.9%

### Attendance Focus Week

Well done to the following children who were drawn for our 100% Attendance Focus Week last week: Rec – Samuel & Taiba, Y1 – Elime & Ubaid, Y2 – Baean & Machair, Y3 – Preet & Kyrese, Y4 – Maggie & Amin, Y5 – Amaad & Hawwa, Y6 – Bayleen & Shakeel.

## Attendance – Important!

If a child of compulsory school age fails to attend school regularly, their parent/carer may be guilty of an offence and can be prosecuted by the local authority. Please see attached School Attendance (Legal Action) - Information for Parents.

### **Punctuality**

We have noticed a recent decline in punctuality, with more children arriving at school at or after 8.55am. Please note lessons START at 8.55am and so it is important that children have taken their coats off and are in class ready to learn at 8.55am.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days' worth of teaching lost in a year
5 mins	3.4 days
10 mins	6.9 days
15 mins	10.3 days
20 mins	13.8 days
30 mins	20.7 days

Poor punctuality can lead to your child...

- Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- Missing the beginning of vital lessons
- Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day

Being punctual is a life habit that we need to model to our children.



Attendance for: Week 20th to 24th June – Well done to Year 1 – 99.3% Week 27th to 1st July - Well done to Year 5 – 99.3%

Class	Reception	Year 1	Yea	ar 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
%	97.3%	97.6%	95.5	%	95.8%	95.3%	98.7%	95.3%
Attendance								
Lates	9	13	12	)	10	12	5	17
Whole School Attendance so far this year				95.1%	School	Target	97%	

The following children have been chosen for exceptional work and behaviour. Well done to everyone!

Rec: Mrs. Riches, Mrs. Deacon & Miss Smith	Rhaqeel & Nicholas
Year 1: Miss Geoghegan & Mrs. Griffiths	Keyaan & Rumaisa
Year 2: Miss Millar & Mrs. Tutt	Deyana & Wisam
Year 3: Miss Treacy & Mrs. Ali	Safaa & Jayden
Year 4: Mrs. Litchfield, Mrs. Catling & Mrs. Ali	Milaan & Aisha
Year 5: Mrs Ramsey & Mrs Nicholls	Hibba & Aleks
Year 6: Mrs. Gray & Miss Hill	Jessica & Mark
Mr. Ullah: Deputy Head Teacher	Samuel – Rec & Year 5 Computing Festival Group
Mrs. Elliott: Head teacher	Sonia & Harry - Rec

## Summer Visits

This years remaining summer trips are as follows:

Class	Venue	Date
Reception	Moseley Pool and Park	14 <sup>th</sup> July
Y1	Nature Centre	15 <sup>th</sup> July
Y3	Creation Climbing	8th July
	Centre	-

Please go to 'School Money' at: <a href="https://login.eduspot.co.uk/">https://login.eduspot.co.uk/</a> for payment details and consent, Thank you.

## **Transition Days**

We have organised two transition days this term, where children will move up to their next class, meet their new teachers and do some transition work activities. These days will take place on **Wednesday 6**<sup>th</sup> and **Thursday 7**<sup>th</sup> **July**. Classes for next academic year will be as follows:

Rec - Mrs Riches, Y1 - Miss Geoghegan, Y2 - Miss Millar, Y3 - Miss Treacy, Y4 - Mrs Catling/Mrs Litchfield, Y5 - Mr Walsh, Y6 - Mrs Gray/Mr Ullah.

## **Summer Fair**

An end of year Summer Fair has been organised by the School Fundraising Committee on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 3.15pm - 5.15pm. Any donations will be gratefully received, including food and cakes on the day. Please see the attached flyer for further information. If you feel that you can volunteer on the day, contact Mrs Santra (mom of Sonia Rec and Serena Y4). Please support this event, which aims to raise money for school fund. Thank you.





## **Lost Property**

We have a large amount of school uniform, which has not been claimed. This will be put out on the 6<sup>th</sup> July, at the Summer Fair. Any unlabelled items may be taken if you feel they could be put to good use. There is good quality uniform and it would be a shame to see it thrown away and not put to good use. The school supports sustainable recycling.

### Wanted School Uniform

There will be a school uniform sale on 6<sup>th</sup> July at the Summer Fair. If you have any unwanted uniform, please wash, iron it and send it into school by Tues 5<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you

## Community

Please find the following community related information:

Please find the link to the **Raring2go!** Summer edition. This is packed full of ideas to keep the family busy for the Summer holidays and beyond.

https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/birmingham/summer/



# **Summer Holiday's Activity Programme**

Bring it on Brum! is running FREE activity clubs in Birmingham for those aged 4-16 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals. Activity clubs will run from Monday 25 July to Friday 2 September with sessions lasting around 4 hours. Each child is eligible to attend up to 16 sessions during the summer school holidays. Activities include sports and games, arts and crafts, cookery, dance and music. Programmes will vary depending on the type and location of each local club, but every day there will be a delicious nutritious meal served up for free!

## **Billesley Indoor Tennis Centre**

Billesley indoor tennis centre is currently running a new promotion for all school children in the area (Flyer attached), who may want to start learning tennis over the coming weeks. For more information / to book your trial lesson contact leisure.billesley@serco.com or call them on 0121 796 2221.

Parents' Guide to help keep children safe Online this summer (see attached)

### St Martin de Porres Summer Fair

This takes place tomorrow - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 11.00am - 3.00pm at SS Martin de Porres School, Oakland Road Moseley, B13 9DN.

## **Class Emails**

From September, we will be reverting back to the school 'enquiry' email account for class communication. Class e-mail accounts were first set up as a temporary point of access for teachers, parents during the Lock Down period when classes were accessing remote learning from home. The class e-mail accounts will only be re-instated "if" a class or year group have to isolate at home and access remote learning.

From September, if you wish to contact a member of staff using the office account, do so through <a href="mailto:enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk">enquiry@stjonmon.bham.sch.uk</a>. Thank you.

## **Annual Reports**

Your child will bring home their annual school report on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July. Teachers will make themselves available on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July (Y5 Wed 19<sup>th</sup> July) 3.15pm - 4.00pm should you need to talk to them about the report. These is a drop in session only so no appointments will be sent home.



## **Mission Statement**



At SS John & Monica's, we learn through the example of Jesus to love Respect, Understand and Value each other