

St. Ignatius' Catholic School

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Dear Parents

The children have returned to school this week ready to work hard and learn all those key skills ready for the next year group. We hope it is going to be a wonderful term where we can all enjoy the improved weather and fingers crossed, an extended period in school with no interruptions.

Have a great weekend

Best wishes
Mr. Hough

Gospel Reflection - *Dom Henry Wansbrough*

*"Seek not to understand that you may believe,
but believe that you may understand." (St. Augustine)*

What were the disciples struggling to believe? After seeing the risen Jesus, the disciples believed that he was alive - he still is! Believing in the resurrection adds something very special to our lives and this cannot be found anywhere else. Jesus invited the disciples to believe and he makes the same invitation to you and me.

Coronavirus

Thank-you for following the systems that we have put in place to keep everyone safe. Please do not send your child to school if they or any of your family are displaying symptoms, and book a test. Current infection rates have come down significantly, which is great news but we know how quickly this can change and therefore still need to be very cautious. Please note that if your child has symptoms than we can only accept a result from a PCR Covid test.

Uniform

The children have all looked very smart on their return to school. If you do require any new uniform Top-One in the St. John's Shopping Centre are providing a click and collect service. You can contact them via email at toponeuniforms@gmail.com or by phone, on 01772 828616.

We appreciate many children will have grown out of shoes during lockdown and these make take time to replace. School shoes should be worn in school although trainers can be worn for playing on the yard. Shoes should be flat soled.

Earrings – Children are encouraged not to wear earrings for school. If ears have been recently pierced then studs should be worn (and covered with tape or a plaster on PE days).

Library Books

Please ensure that all library books are returned on Monday. These can then be quarantined before the children choose new books later in the week.

School Sport

Congratulations to the Key Stage 2 Octathlon team who finished 7th out of 25 schools in the recent tournament. Each school competed on their own school premises and then the scores were collated. The Key Stage 1 Mini Mix team has been chosen and the tournament will take place next week. Good luck team!

Morning and After-School Club

Bookings can now be taken for these clubs. Each club is charged a rate of two pounds per session. Children will be kept in class bubbles. Please book places a week in advance.

Parish News

Mass will be celebrated at English Martyrs Church at 5.30pm on Saturday St. Joseph's Church on Sunday at 11.15am. Mass during the week is at 9am at St. Joseph's. Please follow Covid protocols to keep everyone safe.

First Holy Communion update from Father Millar

Last year's programme was interrupted by the lockdown. The children had done about half of their catechism and were just about to make their first confessions before we stopped. Some children finished their catechism and made their first holy communion individually last summer. If your child had started their first communion preparation last year, and you want them to make it this year, please pick up a form from the back of church and hand it in to the presbytery (not school) before 12th April. Once we know numbers we can make a plan for what might be possible this year. More information will be provided once we know how many children we will have. For those children who have not begun their preparation, and wish to make their first communion this year, will be asked to register in the autumn.

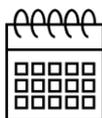
Free School meals:

Have your circumstances changed recently? Could you be eligible for Free School Meals? Get in touch with the Office if you feel you may [fulfil the criteria](#).

★★★★★★★★★ Stars of the Week ★★★★★★★★★

Well done to the following children who have been chosen by their teachers to be this week's Stars of the Week:

	Star Worker	Star Member
EYFS	Zayaan	Khadijah
Year 1	Adrita	Emile
Year 2	Sara	Abel
Year 3	Dylan	Niko
Year 4	Oliver	Sadika
		Fatimah
Year 5	Roman	Louis
	Zain	Rhulla
Year 6	Hriday	Imaani



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Holiday list 2020-2021

	First day open for pupils	Last day open for pupils
Autumn Term 1	Wednesday 2nd September	Thursday 22 nd October
Autumn Term 2	Monday 2 nd November	Thursday 17th December
Spring Term 1	Monday 4 th January	Friday 12 th February
Spring Term 2	Monday 22 nd February	Friday 26 th March
Summer 1	Monday 12 th April May day: Monday 3 rd May	Friday 28 th May
Summer 2	Monday 7th June	Friday 16 th July

Staff Training Days 2020-2021

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Friday 23rd October 2020

Friday 18th December 2020

Monday 19th July 2021

Tuesday 20th July 2021

