

St. Ignatius' Catholic School

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Dear Parents

I hope you had a restful half term and managed to enjoy the improving weather. We were delighted to hear the Prime Minister's announcement that all pupils will return to school on Monday 8th March. We are busy ensuring that the return will be a smooth and safe one. I will be sending out a detailed letter outlining arrangements early next week.

Thank you to all of our parents who engaged with our on line parents meetings. The vast majority of feedback was very positive about this new way of working. If you did not make your appointment, your child's teacher will be in touch this week or next.

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes
Mr. Hough

Gospel Reflection - Dom Henry Wansbrough

In Sunday's Gospel we hear how God appeared to Peter, James and John as Jesus met with the great prophets. In this second week of Lent we should ask ourselves when do we really listen to what God is telling us? Take time to pray and strengthen your relationship with God.

Our Work This Week

EYFS – This week we have started our topic on Superheroes. We have been reading the book Superworm and learning about real worms and spiders.

Year 1 – In Year 1 we have been looking at a diary entry in English, different animals in science and adding & subtracting in maths.

Year 2 - In Year 2 we have started our "farm shop" topic. We have been looking at how plants grow and why wildflowers are important. We are looking forward to growing some plants of our own!

Year 3 – This week we have started our new geography topic of Volcanoes and have been looking at different shapes in maths.

Year 4 – We have really enjoyed getting immersed in our new text 'The Firework Maker's daughter' by Philip Pullman. It is an exciting quest narrative!

Year 5 – In English we have been focusing on the novel "The invention of Hugo Cabret" and the children wrote some excellent diary entries. Equally impressive has been the work in maths, which had 2D and 3D

shape as its focus. We had a grammar competition which involved spotting missing capital letters and everyone is very keen to know who won the 1st place- top secret until we return to school!

Year 6- have been learning about being healthy and eating a balanced diet.

Parish News

Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Church on Sunday at 11.15am. Please follow Covid protocols to keep everyone safe.

First Communions update from Fr. Millar:

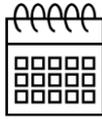
Given the new lockdown we will not be beginning the First Holy Communion classes as planned. When the restrictions begin to be lifted we will announce the dates for First Communions and the plan as to how we might teach the children this year.

Free School meals:

Have your circumstances changed recently? Could you be eligible for Free School Meals? Get in touch with the School Office if you think that you may qualify for help.

★★★★★★★★★ Stars of the Week ★★★★★★★★★★

EYFS	Christopher	Lili
Year 1	Olivia	Natalia
Year 2	Bobby	Ayaan
Year 3	Abdulla	Samy
Year 4	Jessica	Sithuki
Year 5	Daisy	Muhammad
Year 6	Dylan	Marayam



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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 17 th 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 7 th 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