### Head Teacher's Message

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Dear Parents,

We have come to the end of another school year that has been full of challenges brought by the pandemic.

However, it is now very rewarding to look back on the way children, parents and staff rose to this challenge with an incredibly positive 'can do attitude'. There was the difficulties of lockdown and home learning but everyone managed to find a way of helping each other through those difficult weeks.

Hopefully we will not have to repeat that experience but it has taught as that like all families we have our ups and downs but by looking to each other for help and reassurance we will always find a way through the 'bumps in the road'. Once again I want to thank you all for your understanding and support over the past months.

We wish our Year 6 pupils every success in their new

schools. They have impressed everyone with how they have dealt with a difficult year-keeping their sense of humor and good nature throughout it all. I'm sure they will go on to great things in their secondary school careers. They will always be part of the St Ignatius family and are always welcome to come back and tell us about their new experiences in Year 7.

I would like to wish you all an enjoyable and safe holiday.

### Dates for your Diary:

- Inset Day (no school)
  Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021
- Academic Year 2021-2022 Begins – *Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021*

### New classes for September 2021

Yesterday your child met their new teacher in their new classroom. A letter also went home with them informing you of the name of the teacher and the name of their new class.

While World Wildlife animals was our theme over the last year, the new academic year will see all our new classes named after **countries of the world**. Throughout the year, each class will learn many things about their class name country and share the information they learn with the rest of the school.

Maybe you can help your child do some research in the holidays to find out many interesting facts about their country class name.



### Farewell Year 6's

Well Wow! What a year! Year 6 have finally made it to the end of their primary years and have been able to celebrate with their peers in many ways. Although a very different way of presenting their end of year production this year, they rose to the challenge of being filmed and put on a great performance in front to the camera. We hope you all enjoyed watching them in action. We also got an opportunity to return to the hall with a bubble audience of Y5, for Y6 to be able to have the chance to perform in front of a real life audience.

They had an afternoon party in the playground on a hot and sunny Wednesday. Enjoying their time with each other really showed us all what good friendships they have made with each other whether they formed these since their 3 year old days in Nursery or just formed these bonds in the last year.

We wish our Leavers all the very best and lots of success in all your future endeavours.



Year 6 Leavers pupils in their new jumpers

#### New Communications & Payment System

We are saying Good bye to ParentMail!

From the new academic year there will be a new system in place, called ParentPay. Payments, SMS' & e-mails will all be via Parent Pay.

We ask for your patience and understanding with this matter and look forward to a smoother system for us all.



Leavers Class 6M

Leavers Class 6D

### Annual Sports Day - 14th July 2021

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This year, like for many schools, we had to make changes to how we ran our annual sports day event. Although it took place in school instead of the park, the pupils had fun rotating around several events, across all three playgrounds. Each class was divided into Teams - A, B, C and D and they battled it out to score the most points for their team in each of 12 events. The scoring was very close at one point but then the team who came out on top with 321 points was...... TEAM D!!! Congratulations also to all the children who showed great sporting respect and enjoyment. Big thanks to Coach Matt and all the staff for keeping the whole day moving.

Congratulations to Team

Pupils from vear 1 hula hoopina

Year 6 Sports Dav Winners



Pupils from year 3



Pupils from 5Q on the playground in Markfield Park

#### Haringey & Hackney Summer Programmes

We know holidays are a time for rest and play, and not as much work! However, there may be times when you really want to find activities to keep your children entertained.

Please see our school blog for further information on Haringey's & Hackney's either free or some small fee activities, over the summer.

#### Have fun in the sun!

https://stignatiuscatholicprima ry.co.uk/blog/2021-07-12-10-04-47-summer-2021-activities



2L smiling for a final photo together

### **Class Trips**

This year we all, from Y1 to Y6, really made use of our local park, Markfield - It is right on our doorstep and such a lovely place to enjoy nature and wide open spaces. Our reception pupils went to St Ignatius Church.

Different classes undertook different activities in many different weathers! - some did

leaf rubbings, others scientific soil testing experiments, while others found out about the local history of Markfield Park, including the Beam Engine Museum. What everyone had in common though, was their enjoyment in playing in the great

adventure playground with their friends.



Pupils from 1H in Markfield Park







*3F science in Markfield Park Reception pupils in St Ignatius Church* 

Pupils from 2L in Markfield Park

### **Class Parties**

Wrapping up the academic year 2020-21, all our classes had their class parties on Wednesday.

Thank you to all the parents that contributed toward the festivities. The staff were able to purchase lots of goodies to help celebrate a strange but wonderful school year. Many treats were consumed, lots of games were played, songs sung and dances danced.

Thank you to the staff for organising the festivities!

On behalf of all the staff,

thank you to both pupils and parents for your hard work during the lockdowns and cooperation during this unprecedented year.

Enjoy your summer break and we cannot wait to see your smiling faces back in September 2021!



Year 6 Leavers enjoying their afterschool party



Pupils in Reception enjoying their class party

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### Summer Reading Competition

This summer, like every year, you have the opportunity to get involved with the Summer Reading Challenge. This year the local libraries are teaming up with the WWF for a very special nature-themed Challenge that will inspire you to stand up for the planet!

Take a trip to Wilderville, where the Wild World Heroes are learning how to make their town a cleaner, greener place for all the

people and wildlife that live there. As you read books for the Challenge, you'll get to go exploring all over Wilderville, from the woods to the farm and even the beach! With your help, the heroes will transform Wilderville into an even cooler place to be, and will discover lots of brilliant books along way! the

To get involved you need to sign up with your local

library. It is completely free to sign up and your library will give you a special poster on which you can collect stickers.

The more books you read, the more stickers you can get, some of the stickers even have smells!. Collect all the stickers to complete the Challenge and transform Wilderville. You'll get a special Wild World Heroes certificate too!



# Prayer

Lord Jesus,

Thank you for the gifts of companionship and love you have shared with us.

Your gentle spirit has guided us over the last year.

Help us to go forward with joy and confidence knowing how much you love us and that you are always with us.

St Ignatius... Pray for us.

Amen

### **Punctuality/ Reporting Absences**

Please ensure that your child is in school and ready to learn by **9:00am**. It is very disruptive for the child and also for the class and teacher.

If your child is going to be absent please ring the office first thing. We have an answer machine so you can always leave a message as well!. We appreciate your support with this matter!

## Congratulations to <u>Year 2</u> for having the highest attendance percentage for both June & July of 96.8% & 94.5% respectively!

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