



St. Patrick's Primary School

Newsletter

Learn from Jesus, Love like Jesus, Live like Jesus

2nd May 2018

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From the Executive Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school! I hope you enjoyed a wonderful Easter break with your family. The weather left much to be desired but, hopefully, the sunshine since then is making up for it!

The bible stories especially grab our attention during the Easter season, and remind us to take time to go outside for picnics, parades and play - the story of the two disciples on the

road to Emmaus at the beginning of Luke's Gospel and the beginning of the Acts of the Apostles when the Holy Spirit drives Jesus' disciples out of hiding. Take a moment to read them with your child - and enjoy some time outdoors together.

With every blessing for a productive summer term.

Yours sincerely
Mrs P Dix

A note from the Head of School



Dear Parents,

We have started the term so positively with a wonderful Mass with Fr Pat (from Salesian). Sara Oliver kindly joined us for Mass and accompanied the singing on the guitar.

Yesterday we have completed our St Patrick's tradition of Crowning Mary. We had a special service dedicated to Mary, with hymns and readings, at which the oldest child in our school and the youngest child had the honour of placing the floral crowns onto our Mary statues. Our service ended with the whole school in the prayer garden for the final statue to be crowned.



Our year 5 class have been working with Salesian College to write and produce a hymn dedicated to Mother Teresa (now St Teresa). They have been practising and are going to Salesian to record the hymn on Thursday. As a school we are very excited about this opportunity and are looking forward to hearing what they have produced.

We enjoyed a fun-filled quiz night on Friday organised by the PTA and Mrs Day. It was nice to see so many staff and parents who were able to attend the event. It ended up with a tie breaker question to decide the winner!

On Thursday we will be having Mass in school for the Ascension, which has been reinstated as a Holy Day of Obligation in the Catholic Church. It will be a wonderful opportunity for those 1st Holy Communion children who have already made their communions to receive communion.

Enjoy your Bank Holiday with your family this up-coming weekend.

Yours sincerely
Mrs A Mulholland

School Diary

03/05/18	9am	Year 5 Collective Worship
04/05/18		Year 2 Trip
07/05/18		BANK HOLIDAY
11/05/18	3.30pm	PTA Teatime
14/05 - 17/05		Year 6 SATS week
17/05/18	2.45pm	Year 2 Celebration of the word
18/05/18	3.30pm	Fitness Club 1K run
22/05/18		Class Photos
24/05/18	2.45pm	Year 1 Celebration of the word
24/05 - 25/05		Year 4 Residential
25/05/18	3.30pm	School finishes for Half Term
04/06/18	8.50am	Children return to school
04/06/18		Year 2 swimming begins Mon, Wed, Fri
05/06/18		Year 5 TCI Day

Full calendar

<http://stpatrick.schoolblogger.co.uk/calendar/>



A note from St Patrick's PTA

We have now begun to plan our Summer Garden Party! We would love to hear your thoughts and ideas! If you are unable to attend meetings but would still like to be involved with ideas and planning please email us on pta.stpatricks@outlook.com.

Please join us at the school Thursday 7th June at 7.30pm for our next meeting.

Contact us—01252 542 511 / enquiries@st-patricks.hants.sch.uk

Crossing Patrol

Mr Ian Raine has now begun his duties of Crossing Patrol Officer at the front of the school. Please make sure that you cross the road with Mr Raine and do not attempt to cross between cars as this can be dangerous. Thank you

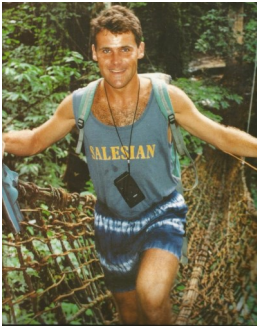
Fitness Club

As always, the children have really been enjoying fitness club this year. We are getting them ready for the 1K run final event on Friday 18th May at 3.30pm. It would be great to have as many parents of the children in the club there to watch and support the children during this event.

Head Lice

Please continue to check your children for head lice and treat if necessary. We have quite a large number affected at the moment, particularly in the infant classes. The most effective treatment and prevention is wet combing every other day. Please see the below link for further advice: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Walk for Sean



There will once again be a Walk for Sean charity walk taking place this year in memory of Sean Devereux, a former Salesian who was killed whilst providing aid and education in Somalia. If you would like to take part in this lovely event please sign up at: <https://www.seandevereux.org.uk/> This year it is on the 8th of July and it would be lovely to see as many St Patrick's children and parents supporting the event as possible.

Growth Mindset

Do's and Don'ts of Praise

Below are some statements you might use when speaking to your child. Choose 'yes' for the ones that convey a growth mindset.

<u>Statement</u>	Yes	No
1. <i>"It looks like that was too easy. Let's give you something a bit more challenging."</i> Yes is Correct! This indicates that learning and being challenged is more important than getting the right answer quickly.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. <i>"That isn't the right answer. You don't understand it yet."</i> Yes is Correct! "Yet" indicates your child will succeed if they keep working.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. <i>"You are so smart."</i> No is Correct! This sends the message that innate "smartness" is what leads to success, rather than effort and growth.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
4. <i>"I know it was hard, but look how your effort paid off."</i> Yes is Correct! This specifies that your child's efforts led to success.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. <i>"You're really talented at maths – this is a subject you will never have to worry about."</i> No is Correct! This emphasizes the importance of talent rather than learning and growth.	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
6. <i>"She'll get it. She's working on it and making progress."</i> Yes is Correct! This acknowledges that the child is able to succeed, and just needs more time to do so.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. <i>"You did so well! Keep working hard and you will do great again next year."</i> Yes is Correct! This says that continued effort will lead to continued success.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>