



# St. Patrick's Primary School

## Newsletter

Learn from Jesus, Love like Jesus, Live like Jesus

21st July 2017

Summer 5

### From the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

In the Christian calendar the year has several forty day periods; all of them, in some way, connected to the idea of renewal. During the summer comes the "quarantine" (a word meaning forty days) between the feast of the Transfiguration on 6th August and the Holy Cross on 14th September. The dating of these two feasts reflects on ancient legend, founded on the biblical imagery of the number forty, that the transfiguration of the Lord took place forty days before the crucifixion. It is in the context of these forty days that we rest, relax and renew our energy before the beginning of the new school year.

To celebrate the end of their time at St Patrick's year 6 wrote, produced and performed a world war 2 extravaganza "We'll meet again." They must all be congratulated on the outstanding quality of every performance.

This year, twenty two of our Year 6 families will be leaving us, either permanently after a long association with the school or temporarily until siblings apply to join us. We wish all of our leavers, in year six and in other year groups, every blessing for a happy and satisfying future—it has been a privilege to be part of the children's lives for so long.

Finally I would like to thank you all for working in close partnership with the school during the past year. We are always grateful for your support, encouragement and understanding in all areas of school life.

I hope you enjoy a relaxing summer with your family and I look forward to welcoming you back to school on Wednesday 6th September 2017 along with our new children and staff members.

With every blessing  
Mrs P Dix

### School Diary

24/07/17	10am	Leavers' Mass at OLHC
25/07/17	3.30pm	Children break up
26/07/17		Holiday Club
27/07/17		Holiday Club
28/07/17		Holiday Club
<b>Summer Holiday</b>		
04/09/17		INSET Day
05/09/17		INSET Day
06/09/17	8.50am	School Starts Back for all except YR
11/09/17		YR Start
11/09/17	7.30pm	PTA Meeting
12/09/17	10am	Start of Term Mass

### Family Support



As you may know St Patrick's works closely with Linda Parry, a parent support advisor for local schools.

Linda is available to liaise with parents individually and at group sessions regarding behaviour, parenting, children's anxieties, routines and a host of other subjects.

Linda will be working over the summer so if you need to speak to her or are in need of some support she can be contacted on 07793 308974.

### Collection

As those who came to see the Year 5/6 production will know, the children decided to have a retiring collection in aid of Help for Heroes. The collection raised £166.52!

Thank you to everyone who donated!

### A note from St Patrick's PTA



As we get ready to break up for Summer the PTA are already in full swing planning some exciting new events for the next school year! We have our first meeting of the year on Monday 11th September where we will be confirming our calendar of events for the year.

As all parents are members of the PTA it is important that the events we decide to run are agreed by as many parents as possible, if you cannot normal attend a meeting it would be great to see you at this one. Tea and biscuits provided!

### PTA Diary

11/09/17	7.30pm	PTA Meeting
14/10/17		Harvest Festival
03/11/17	5pm	Children's Disco

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

## Shooting Stars

ASH FRIENDS OF SHOOTING STAR CHASE  
**SUMMER FAIR**  
**SUNDAY 13th AUGUST 2017**  
**12-4PM**

TONGHAM RECREATION GROUND  
 POYLE ROAD, SURREY, GU10 1DU

LIVE MUSIC  
 RIDES & ATTRACTIONS  
 TASTY BBQ  
 CRAFT STALLS  
 CLASSIC CARS  
 & MORE...

£1 PER ADULT  
 50P PER CHILD  
 VISIT  
[WWW.ASHFOC.ORG](http://WWW.ASHFOC.ORG)  
 FOR MORE INFO

## Shamrock's Holiday Club

It is not too late to book a space in the Shamrock's Holiday club.

This club will run on 26th, 27th and 28th July, from 10am - 4pm at school. There are breakfast, 8am - 10am, and tea time, 4pm - 6pm, optional add-ons to extend the day if needed.

The costs are as follows:

**Breakfast add-on** - 8am - 10am - £3

**Main session** - 10am - 4pm - £14

**Tea Time add-on** - 4pm - 6pm - £3

If you wish to book a place for your child please contact the school office.



## Rushmoor Holiday activities

Rushmoor Borough Council has a website with information about what is available in the area for children and young people over the Hampshire summer holidays (26th July – 3rd September). This link will take you to the website, which includes playschemes, youth activities, sports, special needs activities, etc.

[http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/summer activities](http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/summer%20activities)

## Runway's End Holiday activities



### School Holiday Adventure Days

27th July, 3rd August, 10th August, 16th August, 17th August, 22nd August, 24th August. Our incredibly popular multi-activity adventure days offer a taste of Runway's End best activities. These fun, action packed courses fill up quickly, so we recommend booking early. Each day presents a different programme of sessions, which may include climbing, archery, canoeing, caving and much more!

A full day (9.00am – 5.00pm, drop off from 8.30 – 9.00am) for 8-14 year olds to experience a range of the activities on offer at Runway's End. Please note lunch is not included so you will need to bring your own, as well as any drinks and snacks. Children will also need a complete change of clothes, including footwear and a towel. £45.00, additional siblings half price.

### Summer Family Drop In Sessions

28th July, 4th August, 11th August, 18th August, 29th August. This summer the centre is opening up its programme of outdoor and indoor activities to families. You will have the option to join in the fun with your children; alternatively they can take part on their own. If children are taking part without an adult, lunchtime supervision will be included, please advise in advance. You are welcome to stay and have a picnic. Fun activities can be enjoyed by all ages from 6 and upwards, 8 and upwards for watersports. Cost: £12.00 per person per 1.5 hour activity. Lunch is not provided. A packed lunch or picnic will be required.