

# ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

A very warm welcome back to the new academic year at St. John's. It is lovely to have our school community back together and I would also like to thank you for your support and cooperation this week. It does take time to get into the new way of doing things and new routines so please continue to be patient. The children have made a great start to the year and they look so smart in their new school uniform. They have been amazing and they are a real credit to you.

I have a few points of information and reminders which you will find helpful:

## **Parents Evening**

Parents Evening will be held on **Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> September from 3.30-6.30pm**. A further letter will be sent out to you next week.

## **Drop off/ Pick ups**

Please aim to be on the playground to drop off your child for 8.45am so that the teachers can collect their classes and make a prompt start to the children's lessons.

## **Contact numbers/Emergency contacts/Address/Medical Needs**

Please complete the attached form and return by **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September**. It is extremely important that we have your current details and contact numbers. This form also gives permission for photographs.

## **School Uniform**

School uniforms can be expensive so please do ensure to label all items of clothing including P.E. kits and water bottles.

Please remember, trainers are not school uniform – **black shoes only**.

## **Nearly New Uniforms**

Please also be aware that we always keep a supply of nearly new uniforms throughout the year for anyone who may need them. Please feel free to enquire if/ when you may need any school jumpers, shirts, skirts etc. at various points throughout the year.

## **School PE Kits**

The school PE kit is black shorts, white T shirt and black pumps. Children should bring their PE Kit to school and leave it in school until the end of each half term, when they will bring home to clean, and return it to school after half term.

**Below is a table indicating the PE days for each year group.**

| <b>Year group</b> | <b>P.E Day</b> |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Year 1            | Tuesday        |
| Year 2            | Thursday       |
| Year 3            | Wednesday      |
| Year 4            | Friday         |
| Year 5            | Tuesday        |
| Year 6            | Thursday       |

## **Jewellery**

I am asking all of our parents here at St John's to work with us on the following point. For Health and Safety reasons and school policy, the wearing of Jewellery is **not** allowed at St John's. **Earrings**, including studs, are **not** allowed. Some horrendous accidents and injuries can take place with ear rings which get caught as young children play and take part in activities and we would not want any of the children to experience that.

## **Hot Dinners/Packed Lunch**

Can I remind you that your child will need to stay with their chosen option of hot dinners, or packed lunch until at least the half term when they will be able to swap if they wish.

Children in reception – year 2 are entitled to universal free school meals. For children in years 3-6 the price of a school dinner is £1.80 per day, £9 per week payable in advance on Mondays. Please put dinner money in an envelope with your child's name clearly marked with your child, who will pass it to their teacher.

## **Book Bags**

Book bags are priced at £3.50 and if your child requires a new book bag, the money is to be sent in a sealed labelled envelope with your child, who will pass it to their teacher.

## **HAST forms – Your child's curriculum**

Teachers will send out their HAST forms (Home and School Together) to let you know about the curriculum which your child will be covering this term.

Reading books need to be in school everyday and will be changed throughout the week. Please support your child by ensuring they read every night and complete their homework.

I have attached the holiday dates for this year. A reminder that holiday dates are also on the website.

### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

Extra-curricular clubs will start next week. Please wait for individual letters detailing each club.

We look forward to another successful year at St. John's and I thank you once again for your continued support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely

D Maudsley  
Headteacher

