



# St. William of Perth Catholic Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER NO 36: FRIDAY 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

A very busy week with lots of Educational visits taking place. We have been very fortunate with the weather this week beautiful sunshine but cooler temperatures than last week. The school has seemed quite empty with Year 6 away on their residential and Year 4 and 5 out on class trips.

This week in our assemblies, we have spoken to the children about Windrush Day (22<sup>nd</sup> June), which marks the arrival of Caribbean immigrants to Britain in 1948 and the significant contribution that they made. It may be of interest to our school community that this week, a new statue has been unveiled and dedicated to those who came to our country at Waterloo station.

### Year 6 Residential

Year 6 have had an action-packed week on their residential in Croft Farm in the Cotswolds. They had a wonderful time and were commended on their excellent behaviour by their instructors. We look forward to hearing about their adventures next week.

### Year 5 – Dover Castle

Year 5 had a successful visit to Dover Castle today as part of their topic about the Anglo Saxons.

### Year 4 – Aylesford Priory

Year 4 took part in the diocesan One Heart, One Mind liturgy at Aylesford Priory, along with many Catholic schools from the diocese. The day began with the rosary walk. Following on from the liturgy, they then had a picnic in the grounds and went on a tour of the chapels completing their mission quests. It was a wonderful day and great to be able to share in the experience with all the other schools in the diocese. The children were really sensible and a credit to the school.

### Future Events

#### St. Peter and St. Paul Feast Day Mass

We shall be visiting St. John Fisher church for a whole school Mass celebrating the feast day of St. Peter and St. Paul on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 10 am. Parents are also welcome to attend seating is available at the back of the church. We have been having whole school Masses in our school hall but next Wednesday will mark the first time as the whole school that we have returned to the church since the beginning of the pandemic for a Mass.

#### Year 4 Swimming

Year 4 swimming lessons resume next Tuesday – 28<sup>th</sup> June. Please ensure the children have a weatherproof jacket as we will be attending even if the weather is inclement.

#### PTA Inflatable Afternoon – 1<sup>st</sup> July 3:30pm – 5pm

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July we will be having an inflatable afternoon. The children will be able to play on a variety of different themed bouncy castles. The cost per child is £13. In addition, to the bouncy castles the PTA will also be providing refreshments. Please use Parentpay to purchase tickets. Wristbands will be issued on Thursday and there will be a number of wristbands available to buy on the gate. We look forward to an exciting event. Parents are asked to collect their child at the usual time and then bring them around to the field entrance on Maidstone Road to enter. This is a family fun event so parents and family members are expected to watch the children participate and we encourage that they take the children round with them.

#### First Holy Communion Celebration- 5<sup>th</sup> July

We are looking forward to holding a special celebration for those children who received their First Holy Communion recently. Those children are invited to bring their special outfits to school where they can wear them with pride and celebrate with their classmates. More details to follow.





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## **Sports Day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

We are intending to hold our whole school sports day (weather permitting) on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Parents will be invited. Further details to follow next week.

## **Year 5 – Secondary Admissions**

For information with regards Secondary School Admissions 2023 please click on the link below.  
<https://www.medway.gov.uk/admissions>

**Registration for the Medway Test opens on 1<sup>st</sup> June and closes 30<sup>th</sup> June.**

## **Safeguarding**

Members of the public and professionals can use a referral and contact form to report any safeguarding concerns about a child or a young person to Medway's First Response service. Once the form has been submitted, it will be reviewed and assessed and action will be taken. Please use the following link: Report a child safeguarding concern | Concerned about a child | Medway Council You can also phone 01634 334466 or use the 24-hour emergency number 03000 419 191. You can also call NSPCC on 0808 800 5000, Child Line on 0800 1111 or Medway Police on 01622 690 690.

[https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200170/children\\_and\\_families/600/concerned\\_about\\_a\\_child/2](https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200170/children_and_families/600/concerned_about_a_child/2)

Please find below useful links to help keep children safe.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

<http://www.mscc.org.uk/>

To view or download a copy of a parent guide from NSPCC about 'PANTS' and how to keep your child safe from abuse click the link below: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/pants/pants-2018/pants-parents-guide-online.pdf>

**E-Safety** Think u Know is a UK organisation which protects children both online and offline. It provides lots of guidance on E- safety <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

## **Parish link**

For information about the parish of St. John Fisher including newsletters and Mass times click on the link below.

<https://stjohnfisher.me.uk/>

## **Hair Cuts**

We pride ourselves on the smart appearance of our children and believe this contributes to the high standards of behaviour we have at our school and also our school's positive reputation. I am becoming concerned by some hair styles that are creeping in. I emphasize that this is only a very small minority but it is not acceptable. No hair dye, hair extensions or patterns being shaved in are permitted. Please save this for the summer holidays. Below is a reminder to all parents of the expectations which are listed below.

*Hair should be smart and suitable for school. Hair should not cover the eyes and hinder learning. Gel should not be worn. No hair dye and no indentions. If hair is shoulder length or longer, it should be tied back in plain black hair elastics or plain elastics in school colours.*

## **End of Term 6**

The governors have agreed to an early finish on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. Therefore, school will finish for all year groups at **1:30pm Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.**

## **Praise Celebrations for the week!**

Merit Award - Well done to the following children who received a merit award certificate today. Hudson Y R, Emma Y 1, Dexter Y 2, Jacob Y 3, Stefania Y 4.

## **House Points**

Team house winner this week: Red team.

Walking Boot: Year 3

Yours sincerely,

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	Diary Dates – <i>Subject to Change</i>	
<b>June</b>		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	St. Peter and St. Paul – Whole School Mass – Parents are welcome	10 am – SJF Church
<b>July</b>		
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	PTA Inflatables Afternoon	
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	First Holy Communion Celebrations	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Kent Police Open Day – Class Visit	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Secondary School Transition Day New Year R Intake Teddy Bears Picnic (2:15pm – 2:45pm)	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr 6 Performance – 2pm	
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Performance – 6pm	
	Yr R Family and Fairy Tales will NOT take place today	
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Mote Park – Class Trip	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly	
	Year 6 Leavers Party	4-6 pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Moving Up Morning Open Afternoon – Parents invited to view work	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yr R Family and Fairy Tales will NOT take place today Yr 6 Leavers Mass – Y6 parents welcome to attend	10 am SJFC
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Final Day of term 6 - <b>Early finish 1:30 pm</b>	
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of academic year	
	<b>Inset day – No Children in school</b>	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Extra Day of Holiday in lieu of Queen's Jubilee Celebration	
	<b>Academic Year 2022 / 2023</b>	
<b>September 2022</b>		
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 1 INSET DAY – children not in school	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Children return to school	

