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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024, WEEK 3

### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I am not sure if you have seen the very cute film on X/Instagram showing our children getting ready for the Bounce-athon next week - do check it out. Across the school the children have been rehearsing their bouncing ahead of the inflatables arriving on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>. On the day, we will send home a note to confirm how many bounces your child has managed in one minute; please look out for it.

#### Parent course

We have access to some very good training for staff and parents on a variety of important Child Protection matters. This one is online safety and is vital for parents to understand the risks, which of course change year on year; if you have ever attended our courses on online safety, there will have been many developments since then and it is worth watching the most up to date advice. Rather than delivering it in person, you can now access it at your leisure - please take the time.

Online Safety Parent:

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1711754220964931415>

#### Weekly attendance: w/c 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Well done to Year 2 for reaching 'The Golden Goal' for the highest attendance and to Years 4 & 5 for the least lates this week.

| Year group   | Lates | Attendance |
|--------------|-------|------------|
| Reception    | 1     | 95.44%     |
| Year 1       | 10    | 95.91%     |
| Year 2       | 2     | 97.29%     |
| Year 3       | 4     | 96.06%     |
| Year 4       | 1     | 96.56%     |
| Year 5       | 2     | 94.23%     |
| Year 6       | 1     | 94.536%    |
| Whole School | 20    | 95.70%     |

### OTHER NEWS

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, please look out for an email containing details about your child's class and their teacher for next year. This allows enough time for lots of positive talk about the new term before Move Up day on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July. Details about the organisation for Move Up day were sent to parents on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Please read the details very carefully to avoid calls to the office; staff are incredibly busy at this stage of the year, thank you.

#### Art Exhibition

We have been so pleased to hear the feedback about our first ever art exhibition. Parents on the infant site, this treat is yet to come but you will love it. The children are so proud of their work and it really showcases the excellent art provision at St Mary's under the leadership of Mrs McKinlay. The school made the decision not to make huge amounts of money from the exhibition, instead we wanted the children to have the experience of displaying their work authentically and to see the pieces so valued. Thank you for coming to the viewings!

#### Driving at the junior site

We are very disappointed to report that a number of parents are still driving on to the junior site to collect or drop-off their children. Worse still, some are verbally abusing staff members. Any sort of abuse will not be tolerated and this incident will be followed up.

We ask that parents consider the wellbeing of the wider school community and that no vehicles are driven on site during drop-off and pick-up. As we have said before, this severely compromises the safety of our families so, if you need to drive to school, please find somewhere safe elsewhere to park your vehicle. We welcome the support we have been offered from Orleans Park School who will make sure their gates are locked to further limit access.

Our request applies to all families so thank you to the majority of you that adhere to it already.

## FINALLY

### Diary dates: reminders

**w/c 24<sup>th</sup> June** Last week of school run clubs

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**, 1510 – 1610, Whole School Art Exhibition, IS

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June**, Whole School Sponsored Bounce

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**, KS2 (Yrs 3 – 6), Sports morning, 0930 – 1200, Orleans Park field

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July**, Moving up day, whole school

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July**, Reception Sports morning, 0930 – 1120, Middle site

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July**, St Margaret's Fair

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July**, Open afternoon all three sites (after schools finishes for one hour)

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July**, Leavers' service, 1000 – 1100, St Mary's Church

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July**, reports home to parents

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July**, FoSM Fair, MS

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July**, Last day of summer term, school finishes one hour earlier

### Prayer

Dear God, we appreciate how much effort you put into our lovely and safe school. A place where children can get education. We are also thankful for our lovely, kind friends and staff. Please help me to always respect and be thankful to other people. *Eddie S 5K*

Yours sincerely



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