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*Following the example of Jesus, together we learn, love and respect one another
to be the best we can be.*

Dear Parents/Carers

Head teacher's note

This week we have celebrated Children's Mental Health Week and Online Safety Day, two very important and current issues which children and families need to be aware of and learn about. Attached to the newsletter is some information regarding mental health and on our school website you will find a range of websites to support you and your children with on line safety. Please talk to your children about these important issues and what they have learnt at school. If we can offer any further support with either of these issues, please let us know.

School News

Maths Calculation Workshop for Parents

We would like to invite parents of children in Y1 through to Y6 in to school next Wednesday (13th) from 3.45-4.15pm for a calculations workshop. These sessions will be held in classrooms and teachers will talk parents through the methods used for calculations in the relevant year groups. Please join us if you can.

Thank you for the donations over the Christmas period. Lymphoma Action, SVP and the school have had £860 split between them.

Sports & Clubs News

This week 5 children from Year 3 and 4 entered a Gymnastics Competition at St Augustine's. Each team member had to perform a Floor and Vault Sequence which was then scored by various judges. Out of 20 teams SSMJ came 6th! Well done to all! Thank you to Mr Smith, Mrs Clarkson & Mrs Layzell for accompanying the children and to parents/relatives for your support.

Drama- please sign up or Drama after half term. £20 for 5 weeks. Free Gullivers World child ticket for all who sign up!

Prior Notice-

Netball will NOT be on 5th & 19th March due to staff training





Diary Dates

8th Feb - Junior film night 3.30pm - 5.30pm

11th Feb- British Values Week
Netball Oakhill 4.30pm

12th Feb - Yr 6 SATs parents' meeting 5.30pm

13th - Tempest class photo deadline
Maths workshop for parents
3.40pm

14th Feb - Yr 6 cake sale £1 per cake

15th Feb- school closes 3.30pm -
Half term

25th Feb- school reopens

1st March - Mass of thanksgiving
for Fr Corcoran Golden Jubilee-
7pm.

6th March - Ash Wednesday Mass
whole school

12th March 6.30pm Reconciliation

Parents' evening- 26th & 27th March

16th April - Holy week -Whole
school Mass

Other news

Car parking

We have noticed that the staff carpark is being used by parents again. The cones are being put back in the middle to remind parents not to park in the middle and only if there is a free bay.

This is for health and safety reasons and also so that staff and visitors can leave when they need to without being blocked in. If this issue is not resolved, we will have no option but to lock the carpark during the day. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Thanks to the contributions from Crazy hair day we were able to purchase 15 new headphones for the IT suite. Your money really does make a difference.



Class news

Homework - We are seeing some really creative and wonderful homework being brought in to school which is fabulous. Thank you for your commitment to supporting the children's learning at home in such interesting ways.

EYFS - this week EYFS held a coffee morning for parents to come in and experience a phonics session alongside their children. This was well attended as always and feedback was positive thank you. Well done to the children (and staff) for sharing their phonics knowledge with you!

Year 6 - parents please try to attend the short parents' meeting on Tuesday evening about the SATS. This starts at 5.30pm (not 5pm as the newsletter stated last week - apologies for this). Even if you have older children who have taken SATs you will find this session informative and we will be sharing some useful resources with you so that you can help the children at home.

Thank you