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Dear Parents and Children,

Friday 23rd June 2017



Centenary Mass

Yesterday I had a lovely morning with five of our Year 6 pupils at Brentwood Cathedral for the Diocesan School's Centenary Mass, celebrated by Bishop Alan Williams.

After the Mass, there were refreshments served in the hall next door, and I was approached by another Headteacher to compliment me on the manners of our pupils, which made me feel very proud indeed.

Uniform

This week has been extremely hot for everyone, and in school we have encouraged children to take off their ties and unbutton their top button. **However we would ask that children do come to school in their tie every day** and we will ask the children to remove it if it is too hot.

At our last parent working party meeting we discussed a review of our school uniform to include our school badge on the red jumpers/cardigans. I plan to consult with parents formally about this in September with a view to gradually introducing the new school uniform over the next 12 months, making it compulsory from September 2018. As part of the review I will be suggesting an option of a white polo t-shirt in the summer months with the school badge. This will be more comfortable for the children in hot temperatures. The only change for September 2017, is that the school book bag is now a compulsory part of our school uniform.

ParentPay Arrears

Today we have 25 families who are in arrears with ParentPay, some owing as much as £50. We will no longer allow ParentPay accounts to go into arrears. If parents do not keep their accounts in credit, the school is charged. From Monday 26th June, children will only be given a school meal if there is credit on their account. The school office staff are not responsible for informing you by telephone or by text that your account is in arrears. It is your responsibility to check your account. If your account is not in credit your child will be given an emergency meal, which consists of a plain roll and a piece of fruit. There is still a charge for this meal. If you have more than one child, each child's account must be in credit as we cannot transfer funds between accounts. Children can become very upset when they receive an emergency meal, so please help us to avoid this scenario.

School Fete

The fete will now take place on Tuesday 11th July. Thank you to everyone who brought in bowls and £1 to buy a bowl this week. This is a non-uniform day. Wrist bands will be on sale nearer the time.

Well Done to our Core Value Ambassadors

Perseverance	Cooperation	Respect	Inspiration	Compassion
Year 5	Iyesogie – Year 3	Ziora – Year 3	Year 6	Calum – Year 5

Well Done to the Workers of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Jenesis	Esoa	Vanessa	Annabel	Feranmi	Karl	Odera
Aydan	Jason	Jyden	Max	Jameel	Jaylan	Mason

 <i>Dates for your diary</i> 	
Monday 26th June	3.30 – 5pm Futsal club
Tuesday 27th June	Y2 Gymnastics Club 3.30pm – 4.30pm Year 5 & 6 Football club – 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday 28th June	9am New Nursery parent meeting in the hall Year 3 & 4 Athletics club – 3.30pm – 4.30pm Year 4, 5 & 6 Karate club – 3.30pm – 4.30pm Nursery children to attend school in the afternoon 12.30-3.30pm
Thursday 29th June	9.30am – Mass for the school to celebrate the feast of St Peter and St Paul Year 4 Swimming Year 5/6 Athletics club – 3.30pm – 4.30pm Year 3 Swimming Year 2 Dance club – 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Friday 30th June	3.00pm WOW celebration assembly – parents welcome
Lunchtime Clubs for the week Monday - Reception Multi-skills, Tuesday - Y1 & Y2 Football Club, Wednesday - Y1 & Y2 Multi-skills, Thursday - Y5 & Y6 3v3 League, Friday - Y3 & Y4 Football Club.	

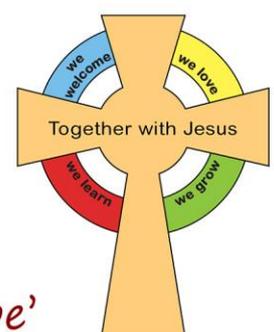
First Holy Communion in 2018

If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion next year, the application form must be returned to Father George by 30th June 2017.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs C. Scott
Headteacher



'The best we can be'