St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School

Thursday 7th July 2016

Collective Worship

Theme for the week is Teamwork.

Life Bus

The Life Bus will be visiting us on Monday 18th July and Tuesday 19th July. We are asking £2 off each child please to cover part of the cost and the PTFA will subsidize the rest. Please send in an envelope with your child's name and class clearly marked on the front. Thank you.

Penwortham Foodbank

There will be one last collection before the holiday. The foodbank have asked you to be generous with your donations as they are less well supported over the summer break. Thank you.

School Holiday Authorisation

Parents are reminded to not book holidays before asking. All information and forms can be found in the Parent Information section of the school website. Leave will only be authorised for truly exceptional circumstances.

School Meals

We will be on Week 3 of the menu rota next week.

Hats and suncreams

On sunny days can you please make sure that all children have been applied with sun cream, they have a suitable hat and a water bottle in school in warm weather? Thank you

Summer Diaries

As we are coming towards the end of term it is time to remind you about Summer Diaries. Summer Diaries are optional but every entry gets a small prize. Diaries are a great way to make a keepsake of the summer and of the children keeping up their writing over the six week break. (You probably can remember returning to school yourself and being shocked how much your handwriting had deteriorated.) The diaries are all displayed and the other children love reading them.

Assembly talk

Just a reminder that Assembly will start at the slightly earlier time of 2.30pm tomorrow as Kingsfold Library will be joining us to give us a talk about the reading challenge. You are all welcome.

Parentmail

We will be going live on the new platform of Parentmail on Monday 11th July 2016. It is really important that all of you have registered as the old version will be removed and you will no longer receive messages or important documents. If you haven't already done so can you please follow link provided to register? If you have downloaded the mobile phone app you will be able to record absences rather than telephoning the office. We do reserve the right however to telephone if we feel we have any queries over the absence. Thank you.



Changes in Staff for September 2016

There are no new faces for September 2016 but some teachers have decided (with governor approval) to reduce their hours. Mrs Costello will reduce to one day a week and will still be our Special Needs Co-ordinator. Mr Gaughan will be reducing his contract to three days a week. We have many teachers now with part time contracts. They are all committed to doing their very best for our children but are keen to retain some work life balance. If that means they come to school happy, well and totally committed then that works very well for our children. All our job shares work extremely well. Mrs Purvor will be retiring at the end of term. She has weaned herself away gradually reducing her hours. We will miss her greatly as she has been such an integral part of St Mary Magdalen's school family for such a long time. She is adamant that she wishes to go quietly, without a fuss and we will respect her wishes. I am sure you will wish her well when you see her.

Class structure for next year

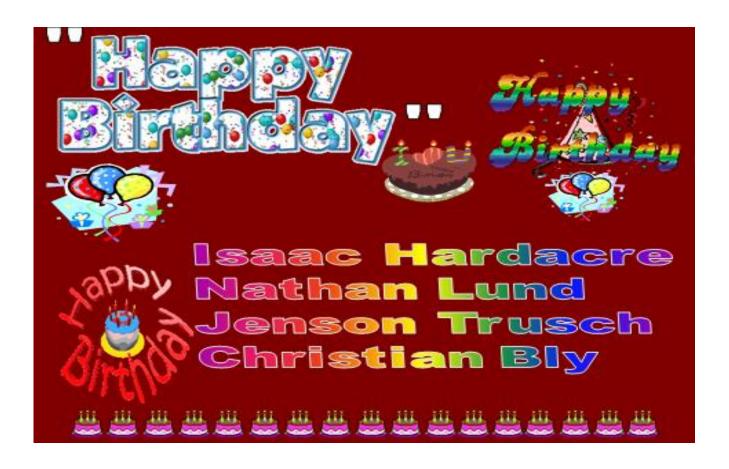
Reception	Mrs Bradley	Mrs Hibbert
		Mrs Wells Earp
		Mrs Di Franco
Year 1	Mrs Woosey and Mrs Day	Miss Holt
Year 2	Mrs Briscoe and Miss	Mr Mrs Elsdon
	McNulty	Mrs Henry
Year 3	Miss McNulty and Mrs	Mrs Swanson
	Ainscough	Mrs Henry
Year 4	Mrs Wallace	Mrs Pickup
Year 5	Miss Brooker	Mrs Lowe
Year 6	Mr Gaughan and Mrs	Mrs Jolley
	Atkinson	Mrs Leung

Mrs Clemo will provide PPA cover or Year 4 and 5 one afternoon a week. PPA is covered by the other teacher in job shares.

Yours sincerely,

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Diary Dates

Friday 8th July 2.30pm Assembly – Talk on reading challenge

Monday 11th July Year R – Trip to Farmer Ted's

Monday 11th July 5pm Full Governing Body Meeting

Monday 11th July KS2 Rehearsal Tuesday 12th July KS2 Production Thursday 14th July KS2 Production Friday 15th July School Reports

Monday 18th July Life Bus Tuesday 19th July Life Bus

Thursday 21st July 10am Leavers Mass Friday 22nd July 9am Leavers Assembly

Friday 22nd July Leavers Party Lunch (All School)

Friday 22nd July 2pm Finish for Summer

Other letters going home this week

Peace Child Production Letter – Hard copy all choir – 6.7.2016 Peace Child Production Letter for tickets – Hard copy – Year 6 and choir- 5.7.2016 Year 6 Leavers Hoodie letter – Year 6 – Hard copy - 29.6.2016