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## NEWSLETTER

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019

### Mass in Church (9.30 a.m.) – Summer Term 2019

Class	Date
Whole School – End of Year Mass led by Year 6 – 9.30am	Wednesday 17th July

### Ss Peter and Paul Feast Day

Sincere thanks to Fr John for coming to say Mass on our Feast Day. The Mass on the field was very special (if a little hot). Thank you to the parents and grandparents that were able to join us for this special occasion and a special thanks to the musicians and servers from the parish. We are blessed to have such close school and parish links. The older children were also able to 'walk with Jesus' in a procession with the Blessed Sacrament ending the day with Benediction in the church. I do hope your child enjoyed flying their kite. I purchased a kite for every child in school so that everyone would have the experience of flying and making a kite. I think the children particularly enjoyed this aspect of our feast day.

### WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance currently stands at 97.2%, and although we have not met our target of 97.7%, we are delighted to tell you that **the number of holidays being taken in term time has almost halved** from the previous academic year! We would like to thank everyone for the part they have played in reducing this figure. As you know, we do not authorise holidays that are taken during school time, as we know the impact that these have on children missing important learning. We do hope that this will continue into the next academic year. For the 2 weeks we have left, let's have a big push and see if we can have **OUTSTANDING** attendance to finish our summer term!

### SCHOOL DINNERS SEPTEMBER 2019

Please ensure that any changes of lunchtime meal arrangements and jacket potato orders are received in the school office by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. After this date we will assume that your child will remain on their present choice.

### YEARS 5 & 6 ALADDIN PERFORMANCE – 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019

Rehearsals are well under way for Aladdin 2019! Tickets are on sale to Year 6 only from 4pm today until the 10<sup>th</sup> July. If tickets are still available after this date, they will be released to the whole school on the 11<sup>th</sup> July.

### MESSAGE FROM MRS MALONE – LM STAGE SCHOOL

Mrs Malone would like to congratulate all the children that have taken their recent drama exams. Everyone did really well and she is very proud of them all. She would like to send a special congratulations to Elsie in Year 3 who, out of all the local schools and over 100 children, gained the highest score with 93/100. What a fantastic achievement! Well done Elsie!

### Invitation to:

Year 1 Worship about Habits 1& 2 of the Leader in me.

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 9:00 am

Year 2 Worship about Habits 3&4 on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 9:00 am.

## **LIBRARY BOOKS**

Please can all library books be returned to school as soon as possible? No more will be issued this term.

## **BOOK BAGS**

If your child needs a new book bag for September, please contact the school office **before Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** so that an order can be placed. Please make payment via ParentPay.

## **SPONSOR MONEY**

Thanks to everyone that sponsored the children. We have collected in £618.60! This is Fantastic! Thank you so much to the parents and children that have contributed to this. I know there are so many calls on our funds and you have all been so generous this year with the various events. Funds provided allows us to give the children experiences and fun activities, for example baking, flying kites, painting on individual canvas etc. These are all quite expensive and in a school where the budget is 'tight', this type of fundraising is very much needed. If you have not managed to contribute, and would rather make an 'ad hoc' payment, via parent pay, this is also available to you and the money will go into our Voluntary Contribution Account. Thank you.

## **CHANGE OF BANK HOLIDAY MAY 2020**

You may already be aware, but the Government have made the decision to amend the bank holiday for May 2020. Rather than it being on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020, it will now be **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020**.

## **PAYMENT REMINDERS –AMPLEFORTH & KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIALS**

Please check Parent Pay to ensure you are up to date with your child's payments for these residential trips. The deposit for **Ampleforth** is due on the **12<sup>th</sup> July**. Payments for Kingswood should be complete. A residential is not a compulsory activity, so if for any reason you do not want your child to attend just let the school office know. Alternative provision will be made for them during the school day whilst others in the year group are on the visit. If the problem you have is financial, then please speak to Mrs Todd in confidence and she will arrange a bespoke payment.

## **YEAR 1 (GOING INTO YEAR 2) RECORDERS**

Please see the letter regarding this matter, sent out earlier this week. Please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to purchase a recorder and book from school. Our ambition is for every child in Ss Peter and Paul to learn a musical instrument. Due to logistics, we have chosen the recorder as it does not need tuning and it is very portable. We want all the children to read music as well as play the instrument – so please try to resist writing the notes above the lines (unless the recorder teacher tells the children to do this). Those children that practise at home usually enjoy the lessons in school much more, so please encourage your child to do this next year. **The facility to learn a musical instrument as a whole class is quite unusual, this does not happen in every school, especially with children in Years 2 and 3 – so do take advantage of it.**

*Mrs Todd*

## **CARD – WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Our Year 6 production rehearsals and preparation are well underway, however, we are short of card to make our props. If anyone has any spare pieces of card (large pieces if possible!) please could you bring them into school ASAP. Alternatively, if anyone knows of any local companies that may be willing to donate any to us, please contact the school office.

## **YEAR 5 – SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION SESSIONS**

The next parents' sessions will be on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July.

## **ROUNDHAY MUSIC CONCERT – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Please join us at 1.15pm for this concert which will involve the following musicians; flute, clarinet, cello, violin and guitar.

## **PIANO, RECORDER (YEARS 2 & 3) AND CHOIR CONCERT – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Please join us for this concert at 2.30 pm.

## **WEEKLY AWARDS**

### ***'John Paul II Foundation for Sport' Virtue of Curiosity***

Reception – Toby P

Year 1 – Daniel H

Year 2 – Louis M

Year 3 – Elsie I

Year 4 – Jacob S

Year 5 – Alice M

Year 6 – John Paul C

### **FRIENDS OF Ss. PETER & PAUL**

#### **Summer Disco**

This is taking place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and will be split into Reception/KS1 (5pm-6pm) and KS2 (6.30pm–7.30pm). Please ensure that your child attends at the correct time! Entrance is £2 per child – please pay on the door. Food and drinks will be available to purchase.

**NB. Children MUST be fully supervised by a Parent/Carer, or a responsible adult, for the full hour**

#### **Yeadon Carnival Painting Competition**

The winners for the carnival painting competition were:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Oliver C - Year 4

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: John Paul C - Year 6

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Eamonn L – Year 1

Well done to all the children that entered!

#### **Yeadon Carnival – It's Not Too Late!**

It's not too late for you to join us tomorrow, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, for the carnival! The parade will start at 10.30am from the town hall steps, and the winning school will get an engraved trophy to keep for the year! Please join us if you can, the more SSPP children we have in the parade, the more chance we have of winning! **Parents must stay with their child for the parade.** All family members are welcome to walk with us and join in. There are also individual fancy dress prizes to be won, a reminder that the theme is WW1 & WW2. The parade will finish on the cricket field, where there will be lots to do, including stalls and rides! Please come if you can!