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NEWSLETTER - Autumn 1 Week 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

Welcome back everyone! Our first week has ended and it's like we've never been away. The children came back to school looking smart in their new uniforms and ready to learn and play with their friends again. A special well done to our new pupils in Reception class who began their 'big school' journey on Monday brilliantly with Mr. Memory – we didn't have one child who cried. Well done pupils, parents and staff – we did it!

The newsletter is in a different format this term and may not be sent out each week as the communication is so efficient with PING. Also the children's rewards and celebrations which are usually reported on the newsletter, are going to be changing this year, one example, we are trialing DOJOs, with a view to replace Team points. With this in mind, we will think about the best way to communicate this information to parents. You will still receive such information but in a different way.

A few things to note:

Homework – This week homework will be set via Bug Club and Spelling Shed only, so please look out for usernames and passwords in our children's planners. Seesaw will be set up next week.

First Holy Communion – Letters have been pinged to Year 5 & 6 parents this week, please check PING.

Year 6 pupils will be making their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 18th September 2021 at 11am**

Year 5 pupils will be making their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 23rd October 2021 at 10.30am**

Year 3 Brass Music Lessons – Children will be measured for their instruments and lessons will begin next Tuesday 14th September in school. Exciting!

PE Lessons – will commence next week so please remember to dress your child in their PE kit on their PE day. Years 1-6 need to dress in their PE this Monday 13th Sept as a one off, when TRI KIDZ are in school.

Twitter – Please follow Headteacher on Twitter **@StJosephsLeigh**

If you request to follow, please also send a quick email to school, to let us know then I can accept you. I have a few requests but if I don't recognise you, I will not accept. To safeguard our children it is a protected account and I only accept those who I know.

This half term is made up of 7 weeks – please take note of the dates planned this half term.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 15th September 1.30pm – Inspire sessions for 2nd half of Reception class.

Saturday 18th September 11am – Year 6 First Holy Communion in Church.

Monday 20th September 9am – School Photographer in for individual and siblings photographs.

Tues & Wed 21st /22nd September – Life Education caravan in school.

Thursday 23rd September -9am -12pm – Year 6 Taster morning at St Mary's.

Tuesday 28th September 3.30-4.30pm – Q&A session in the school hall for Year 5 & 6 pupils & parents with Mr Dawson the Headteacher and Mr Peachey the Deputy about attending St Mary's.

Thursday 30th September 2.30-3.30pm – MacMillan Coffee Afternoon in the school hall. All welcome.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Miss Daley
Headteacher