



Newsletter

September 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer holiday. It is great to see the children back to school as we look forward to what will be a very busy Autumn Term. We welcome to Saint Francis Xavier two new members of the teaching staff Miss Charlotte Viggers (FS1) and Mr Matthew Janvier (Year 2). We wish them every joy and happiness in their careers here at Saint Francis Xavier and we are delighted to have secured their talents. In addition, we have a new teaching assistant, Miss Kirsty Smith (Year 3) I am also delighted to announce that the school has secured Christian Fitzgerald from the In Reality Team who will work with the children to develop their musical and spiritual talents. It is our hope to create a school choir this year and Christian will be leading this. There will be a maximum of 25 places and further information will go out to you as soon as possible. This will involve a new after school club.

May I ask that when the children come to school they come with the full and correct uniform. If there are issues with any parents obtaining the uniform would you be kind enough to contact the office and we will seek to help you as quickly as possible. The school cannot accept variations on the correct uniform and parents will be contacted if this is the case so please be aware of the correct policy to adhere to.

I am only too well aware of the important and vital role which parents play within the school community and we value your support. This year I should like to start building that support and relationship further. I would like to create a Parents' Forum which will comprise of six parents and myself who will meet every fortnight to discuss events, trips and concerts, and other general school ideas; and especially in the area of fundraising.

Above all, I want to see parents actively involved in the life of the school. I would be grateful if there are parents who would like to take part in the forum to please contact Mrs Smith in the office and she will take a list of names. I am only too well aware that parents work during the day so we are prepared to schedule meetings in the evening should the need arise.

Once again, I look forward each day to meeting you and do not be afraid to contact me or Mrs Smith in the office if there is anything which you feel we can help with or if you have a concern.

Kind regards
Mr O'Connor

After School Clubs

Letters will be sent out next week regarding after school clubs. Ready for them to start W/C 17/09/18.

Monday- Competitive football (Years 4, 5 and 6)

Tuesday- Hockey (all years)

Thursday- Gymnastics (all years)

Please note that all clubs must be paid for before the commencement date otherwise your child will not be able to attend. Please book early to avoid disappointment!



We hope the children have had a lovely first week back and have settled into their new classes. We cannot wait to watch them all grow and flourish over the next year.



A reminder that Year 5 swimming lessons start Tuesday 11th September and will run until Tuesday 6th February. Children will need to wear a dark swimming costume or dark swimming trunks. Children with long hair will need to wear a swimming cap. No jewellery will be allowed.

Meet the Teacher!

Over the month there will be meetings for each class which will give parents the chance to meet the teachers. It is an opportunity for teachers to share information with you regarding class topics, homework etc. Each meeting will start at 3:30pm and will be held in the classrooms.

Year 5- Wednesday 12th September

Year 4- Thursday 13th September

Year 3- Friday 14th September

Year 1- Monday 17th September

Reception- Wednesday 19th September

Year 6- Thursday 20th September

Year 2- Friday 21st September

Please remember that your child will need to bring their PE kit on a Monday and leave until a Friday.

This will ensure they participate in every PE lesson.

They should also bring their reading book to school every day for staff to change them or listen to your child read.

Thank you!

Please ensure children wear the correct uniform at all times. The uniform policy is on our website if needed.

Please write your child's name in ALL clothing as it can be very easy for them to misplace something at break times or getting changed for PE. This will make it much easier for children and teachers to find items of clothing once lost.

