



School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, We are nearly half way through the Autumn term and is in full swing. This newsletter gives you some important information with dates for the term ahead of us.

Here to help !

Nothing is more important than to ensure the happiness, well-being and academic progress of all children in our school. If you have a concern or worry, then please **DO NOT** let them build up. Please come and see us and we will work hard to sort them out for you. We are happy to help and will try to resolve any problems you may have. You can see myself Mrs Hinton Headteacher or Mr Wilkes our Deputy Head teacher. Otherwise, you can make an appointment to see your child's teacher after school. Please be assured that we will endeavour to help resolve any problems or concerns out for you.

Our Values for this half term

Our values this half term are **Compassionate and Loving**. **Compassionate** towards others in all that we do – showing sympathy, empathy, tolerance, understanding, kindness and forgiveness. **Loving** towards all that we encounter, with our families and those we know as well as those we don't know. Showing the love of Jesus in all that we do and say. These values are set by the Archdiocese and all Catholic Primary Schools in the Archdiocese focus on the same set of values, which are changed each half term. The values are drawn from the Catholic Schools Pupil Profile, which is on display throughout the school and in the main lobby area by the offices.

Attendance

Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence will seriously affect their learning. Please ensure that you endeavour to get your child to school and in on time. The playground opens at **8:40am** and the school day starts at **8:50am**. If your child arrives to school after the registers close they will receive a late mark. Please remember that taking holidays in term time will affect your child's schooling and we ask for **your co-operation** to not take your child away in school time, if you are planning on travelling in term time please complete a leave of absence form that can be obtained from the school office 10 days before the date of absence. If your child is ill you must supply medical evidence (appointment card/ prescriptions/ medication). If your child is absent due to illness but no medical evidence can be obtained a visit from the Education Welfare Officer may be arranged. Our Attendance Policy can be obtained for reference on our schools website.

End of the school day

Please be reminded, the gates on the playgrounds will be closed at 3:10 pm **PROMPT** and the children will be brought up to the school office. If someone else is collecting your child/ children from school, please remember to phone the office to let us know and you it is important to let the person know who is collecting your child the password.

If your child is late being picked up, you will be telephoned to come and collect your child. We ask you to sign the late register. If your child is picked up late regularly then you will be asked to join us for a meeting with myself and Sally Beasley the Attendance Officer to discuss late collection. If you are struggling and are looking for afterschool collection services, then please visit the school office who can give you all the details for local services.

School Mass

Every Thursday we celebrate mass, the children lead with the readings and hymns. Mass is at 9:15 am in either church or school. Please join us, it would be lovely to see you.



Edgmond Hall

Children from Year 3 and 4 went to visit Edgmond Hall with Miss Lewis and Mr Wilkes in September. The teachers and staff at Edgmond Hall have said the children were amazing and their behaviour was excellent. Well done children, you should be very proud of yourselves.

Cafod Fundraising

A huge thank you for your commitment to raising money for Cafod. The grand total raised was **£74.20** The money will go to countries that Cafod is supporting. Thank you.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We would like to ask you to donate some cakes on Friday 19th October and would like to invite you into school for a cuppa and cake on Friday morning between 9.00am and 10.00am in the school hall to make a donation to Macmillan.

Month of the Rosary

During October we are taking time to reflect on the rosary and praying as a family. Please look out for the Wednesday Word and the Prayers bags that will be going home.

Date	Event
Autumn 2018	
Wednesday 24 October	Pupils break up for Half Term
Thursday 25 October	Teacher Training Day
Friday 26 October	Teacher Training Day
Monday 5th November	Pupils return to school
Wednesday 19 December	Pupils break up for Christmas
Thursday 20 December	Teacher Training Day
Friday 21 December	Teacher Training Day
Spring Term 2019	
Monday 7 January	Pupils return to school
Friday 15 February	Break up for Half Term
Monday 25 February	Pupils return to school
Thursday 12 April	Break up for Easter
Summer Term 2019	
Monday 29 April	Pupils return to school
Monday 6 May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 24 May	Break up for Half Term
Monday 3 June	Pupils return to school
Friday 19 July	Pupils break up for Summer

Dates for the Diary

RML Parent workshops :

KS1—Wednesday 10th October 9:15am.

Reception class—Tuesday 16th October 9:15am

Year 6—RAF Cosford school trip.

Thursday 11th October

Mufti day for Harvest—bring in a item of food—Friday 12th October.

Year 1 Assembly—Friday 12th

October. 2:30 pm

Harvest Mass— Sunday 14th October

Parents Evening— Tuesday 13th November

Year 5 Assembly—Friday 16th November 2:30 pm

Year 2 Assembly—Friday 23rd November 2:30 pm

Year 3 Assembly—Friday 30th November 2:30 pm

Year 7 Applications

Closing date for Year 7 applications is the 31st October. If you have not applied for your child's Y7 place and you require help, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment with Mr Padotan who will be able to help with this.

Sacraments

If you want your child to make the Sacrament of the Eucharist in 2018 and they are baptised Catholics then please look out for a letter coming home before half term. Within this letter it will ask you to make a commitment to enrol your child for the sacraments and then this will follow on to a parent meeting and enrolment mass within the parish on Sunday 25th November 2018

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. Please keep it in a safe place for future reference.

Mrs Hinton