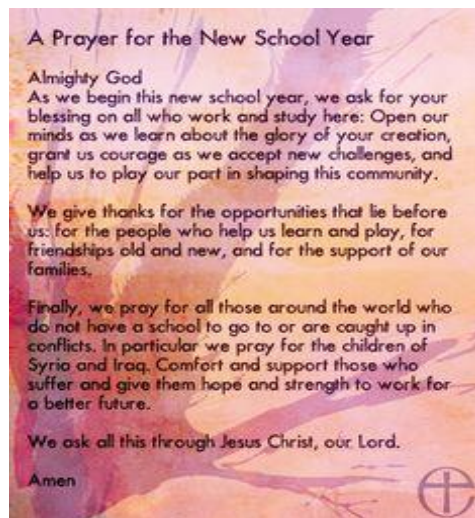




**St Charles' RC Primary School**

**09 September 2016**

***Together we follow Jesus' footsteps in our living and learning***



Dear Families

Welcome back. I hope you have all had a restful break and enjoyed the many days of sunshine we have had over the holidays.

All the staff would like to extend a big *thank you* to everyone for the lovely cards, gifts and messages we received at the end of the last academic year. Your kindness is much appreciated.

It is lovely to be back in school and the children have been wonderful and settled in very well to their new classes. I would like to thank you as they look fantastic in their new school uniform.

We are all really excited about the year ahead and I hope your children have a fantastic year. As always please let us know if you have any queries or questions. We will be sharing diary dates for the year as far as possible with you next week and there we will curriculum evenings coming soon.

I would like to welcome all of our new children and staff to our school. I hope they will be very happy at St Charles'.

## Communication

We are continuing to update our website and class blogs so remember to check them out!

## Playground

We want the children to enjoy their playtime and as you all know the monkey bars are very popular with the children. This year there is a height restriction and children have to be higher than the silver line marked on the poles (whilst standing on the ground) to use the equipment. This will mean that they will only be accessible to mainly KS2 children. We want our children to take risks and be physically active as well as keeping them safe.

## Sunbeams and Rainbows

We are planning on offering Sunbeams and Rainbows sessions this year. A letter will go home tonight with more information. You can also find out more on our school website.

### The staffing arrangement from September 2016 will be:

Head Teacher	Mrs L Nealings
Deputy Head Teacher	Mrs C Higgins
Senior Teacher	Mrs L Damti
EYs / KS1 leader	Mrs T Bickle
Nursery	Mrs Bickle Teaching support: Miss Smailes
Reception	Miss Maggiore Teaching support: Mrs Francis
Year 1	Miss Pattison
Year 2	Mr Smith
Year 3	Mrs Brady
Year 4	Mrs Walton
Year 5	Miss Rutherford
Year 6	Mrs Higgins / Mrs Damti
Teaching across the school in all classes	Mrs S Hill
Teaching assistants working across the school	Mrs George, Mrs Walsham, Mrs Jameson, Mrs Shuttle and Mrs McCabe

## Mrs Watts

Mrs Watts has a new addition to her family. Orla Rose Watts was born on the 12 August. We would like to congratulate her and her family and I hope she enjoys this time with her young family.

## Extreme reading competition

Thank you for all of the super entries but there is still time if you have not entered the competition.



We will accept any late entries up to next Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Get reading!

### Diary Dates

A list of diary dates for the academic year 2016-17 will be put on the website over the next week or so; please keep an eye on the parent section of the website.

### Clubs

Mr Smith (Year 2) will be posting details of the clubs available for children to attend during this half term, on the school website. Please keep an eye out for what is available.

### Father O'Connor

We are all missing Father O'Connor as he is still poorly. Please keep him in your prayers. I met Father Carroll today and he will be in school next week celebrating Mass with the children. The children he met in Year 3 gave him a very warm welcome.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Nealings

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