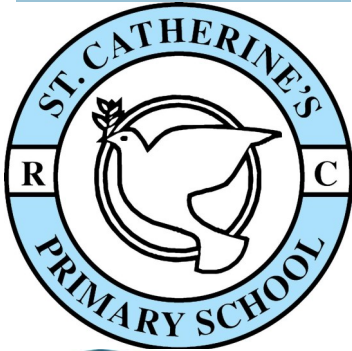


Newsletter 2
13th September



St Catherine's School

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Thank you for making me so welcome at St Catherine's. I have already spoken to several of you when I'm out at the gate before school and I look forward to getting to know even more of you in the coming weeks.

We have now finished our first full week and what a busy time we've had! Our new Reception children started with us on Wednesday and they are already finding out about the school and the people in it. It was so lovely to see them with their Teddies.

Hopefully, your children will have come home talking about their maths lessons and the different way we have set the class up. The teachers had two intensive days of training (and this also continued after school on both Monday and Tuesday!) led by the creator of the Effective Maths scheme. I look forward to sharing more about this with you over the weeks to come.

We had a lovely Mass on Tuesday with Father Paul to celebrate the start of the new school year. Our theme was 'Beginnings' and we asked God to be with us all in our learning, our play and our making friends. It was lovely to see the parents who joined us. It was a truly prayerful experience where the children were respectful of the occasion and their singing brought tears to my eyes. What an excellent way to start the term!

Mrs Sharon Betts

This weeks' reflection

'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. '

Philippians 4:13

St Catherine's:

**A family united in God's love,
learning in faith together for a
compassionate tomorrow.**

New Reception Class

Our new Reception children and the pre-school children had a lovely time eating and drinking at their Teddy Bear's picnic. We were very polite and we shared the food. We sang a teddy bear song too! The cuddly toys were very well behaved!



Music Lessons

We currently offer instrumental lessons in flute, clarinet and saxophone for pupils in years 4, 5 and 6 and guitar and ukulele for years 3, 4, 5 & 6. There is a charge for these lessons. If you are interested please ask at the school office for further details.

St Peters School Open Evenings

You are invited to attend one or both of our Open Evenings for parents and children applying for Year 7 in 2020. They both start at 6pm on 19th and 24th September 2019. Please note the closing date for getting applications to the Council and for getting Baptism Certificates and Supplementary Information Forms to the school is 31st October 2019. If you miss that date your child may not be considered within the Catholic category for a place at the school.

Home Work

This term we are trialling a different approach to homework. Each week, spellings and tables or number bonds will be set by the class teacher and we expect all children to read frequently throughout the week too.

Each class are being set a project related to their class topic. The children can choose how to present their research eg. A model, powerpoint presentation, drawing etc. There will be an afternoon when we will invite parents into school to view the work the children have completed at the end of this half term.

Saturday Football Club

Hi All ,

It was great to see old and some new players last Saturday at our first session of the season. I hope you enjoyed the session as much as we did and now look forward to continuing the new season of Saturday Football at St. Catherine's. We continue tomorrow at School at 9.15am with our Club Registration and Kit day on the pitch.

We try to get everybody registered with us and give out the Club kit. For those not familiar we are a self funded club and are regulated by the English Schools Football Association and The Poole and East Dorset Schools Sports Association and the School.

We play at every level from preschool to year 6 and invite all pupils from the School regardless of age, gender and ability and welcome you all to our club with a committed committee and coaches.

We play in the Wimborne Schools league for all ages and have matches and training at home on the School Pitch with a Tournament at the end of the season.

This Saturday please arrive at 9.15am in Club Shirt black shorts and black socks if registered or your own football kit with boots and shinpads with warm outer clothing and a drink.

Registration will then take place together with an annual fee of £25 and sorting kit for each year group.

We hope to have toilet access and Lee Hadaway will be there as Welfare Officer to assist.

Please come and join us and get involved.

We will be providing tea and coffees so come and see us .

If you require any further info please see Lee at School or call me on 07857 614316.

See you all on Saturday.,

Kind regards,

Alan Christopher -Head Coach

St Catherine's Church Playgroup



Pre-loved School Uniform Sale

The Friends of St Catherine's will be holding a pre-loved school uniform sale during parents evening on the 24th and 25th September.

All funds raised go back towards helping the school and helping families with any additional uniform needed.

Dates for your diary

Please be aware that these dates will be added to as the term progresses, and there may be some changes. If there are any changes, we will endeavour to let you know in as much advance as possible.

24.9.19 & 25.9.19	Parents' Evening (Rec – Y6) - more information to follow
25.9.19	Photographer
26.9.19	Y5 & Y6 Class Liturgy 2:30pm - parents and carers welcome
04.10.19	CAFOD Harvest Day Mass 9am in school – all parents and Carers welcome
09.10.19 –11.10.19	Y5 and Y6 Residential trip to Hooke Court
17.10.19	Y2 Class Liturgy 2:30pm - parents and carers welcome
24.10.19	Y3 Class Liturgy 2:30pm - parents and carers welcome
25.10.19	Children break up for Half Term holiday on at 3pm
04.11.19	INSET day Monday 4th November – school closed to children
05.11.19	November – children return to school
11.11.19	Remembrance Liturgy 2:30pm – all parents and carers welcome

After School Clubs Autumn Term 2019

Activity	Day	Time	Year Group
Basketball	Monday	3:15 - 4:05	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Football Club	Monday	3:00 - 4.10	Years 1 - 5
Arting About	Tuesday	3:00 - 4:25	Years 1-6
Cloud School	Wednesday	3:00—4:15	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
Multi-skills	Wednesday	3.10—4.10	All
Tennis	Thursday	3:15 - 3:45	All
French Club	Thursday	3:00 - 4.10	Years 1 - 3
Dance	Friday	3:15 - 4:15	All
Football	Saturday	9:15 - 10:30	All