



Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School Newsletter

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Living, Loving and Learning in God's Way

2nd July 2021

Headteacher's News

We look forward to seeing all of our children back in school on Monday; we know that isolation is a difficult time and the school has been very quiet without you!

As we approach the final weeks of term, there are plenty of activities happening that both celebrate the year, give opportunities for some shared fun (in bubbles!) and begin to prepare our children for next year too. Although we are not able to have parents on site this year, we will be taking lots of photographs of the events and posting them into google classroom and some on the website for you to enjoy.

Next week we will be welcoming very small groups of new parents to the school to meet the staff and get ready for the exciting step of their children starting school or Nursery for the very first time.

We will also be holding our sports day across two days to enable us to clean the equipment between bubbles. There will be the usual competition between the four houses to see who the ultimate champions are whilst encouraging all the children to take part and have a go.

The week of 12th July is our fundraising week! On 13th (see below) we are encouraging the children (and staff) to 'dress to express' - all funds will go to the Friends who continue to support us so well. On Thursday 15th we will be formally opening our new running track along with St Nicholas. The two schools will be running from Lands End to John O'Groats - yes all 972KM - which equates to 6480 times around the two tracks!!! No mean feat! We would encourage you all to sponsor your child for their part of this event using the gofundme page (further details to follow). We will be splitting the total between our own Friends' Association and the Catholic Children's Society who do so much to support families within our Diocese.

Our final week of term is usually a transition week. We still plan to run this week but, even if the Government change the guidance on bubbles from Monday 19th, we will probably keep the children in class bubbles as they move up because we are very mindful of the potential disruption to the start of the summer holidays for families and staff if there should be a positive case.

As ever, it promises to be a very busy three weeks!

Important Information

School Chaplains

Well done to the new chaplains who delivered Tuesdays joint school liturgy for St Peter and St Paul alongside St Nics new chaplains. It really is a joy to see them take on the responsibility with confidence as they take the baton from the previous chaplains.

Cars Turning in the School Driveway

Unfortunately, due to complaints from local residents and some Parents/Carers, we have had to refer this matter to the police. We had a complaint about a driver being extremely rude to another road user. Please be mindful of the School's need to maintain a good relationship with our

neighbours. Our local PCSO will be doing some patrols from now on, looking out for both this problem and cars stopping on the road markings at the bottom of the drive.

Covid Test Information

One in three people who catch coronavirus (COVID-19) don't get any symptoms, so regular testing is vital to help prevent spreading it unknowingly.

Rapid lateral flow device (LFD) tests are only for people without symptoms and give a quick result in 30 minutes. All adults and secondary/college pupils should use these tests twice a week.

PCR tests are for people with symptoms. They are processed by a laboratory, with the results usually back the next day. 'Close contacts' of someone with COVID-19 can also get a PCR test, even if they don't have symptoms.

A Message from Change4Life

Change4Life have created recipes and shopping lists for families which can be used to create lunches for around £15 each week. Please see the link below

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/lunch/cheap-lockdown-lunch-ideas>

Music Summer School Opportunity

Torbay & South Devon Music Centre is running a music Summer School! They have asked us to let you know, please see details on the poster below.



SAVE THE DATES

Midsummer Music

Always wanted to play a musical instrument? Now's your chance.

Three days of new musical experiences.

Save the Dates: 23rd, 24th & 25th August 2021.

No prior experience needed, just bring along your enthusiasm.

We have the instruments - trumpets, flutes, clarinets, violins, double basses and percussion.

Already play one instrument, why not try another? Come along and join in.

Over the three days you will have the opportunity to try a number of different instruments.

Master classes, fun workshops and 'taster' sessions with TSDMC's qualified teachers.

Games and performances, and the opportunity to gain an Arts Award certificate. Arts Award Discover is administered by Trinity College London.

The TSDMC tuck shop will be open.

If you can only spare a day, that's fine, but for the best experience why not join us for all three days?

We have a restricted number of places for this new event, so book early to avoid disappointment and make the most of this exciting opportunity.

Torbay and South Devon Music Centre

Time and dates: 10.00-16.00 on 23rd, 24th and 25th August.

Place: Torquay Boys' Grammar School.

Cost: £19 per day or £49 for all three days.

Ages: 8-18 years.

Booking form and full details will be available soon, but let us know if you want to come by filling in the form below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeHuW6LmVxQuDxmUfEeDcFW80QaX1gux_ON2WyyAKIF1DSYBA/viewform

For more information please email: torbayandsouthdevonmusiccentre@gmail.com



Family First Magazine

Dear Parents/Guardians

Here is your free e-copy of the UK's best family magazine, packed full of information to help keep your children busy & entertained during the school summer holidays- Enjoy!

Please click on the link below:

https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff_issue_8_final010721



Disciples of the Week

W/B 21st June 2021

Courage

Year 1	Ava and Teddy
Year 2	Sophie G
Year 3	Thelma
Year 4	Kieran-Jay and Lily
Year 5	Noah
Year 6	Jack

W/B 28th June 2021

Year 1	Joey
Year 2	Sophie M
Year 3	Ava
Year 4	Ona
Year 5	Daisy
Year 6	Eddie

Well done to you all!

Friends' News

After many attempts to see how we can get this out to you, without unnecessary crowds at the school gate, we will be selling the second hand uniform online from the 9th to the 16th July. If anyone has anything else that they would like to donate before this goes live, please do drop it into the box in the office from Monday 5th July so that it can be added to the sale. Once we have the final details of the sale you will see the details on the Friends of OLSP Facebook page and it will explain how to order any items. This is a great way to reuse, recycle and raise a small amount of funds for the Friends to be able to give back to the school.

**Our Lady & St Patrick's
Dress to Express Day!**

Tuesday 13th July

**Choose as many
Items from the list
as you like**

Suggested Donations

- Non School Uniform -€1
- Coloured Hair - 50p
- Nail Varnish - 50p
- Temporary Tattoos - 50p
- Crazy Hair - 50p

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Prayer

Jesus, your dear friend and apostle Peter is a guiding light for our School. Let Peter's way of following you help us to love you more dearly. Jesus, you appointed Peter as leader to care for your flock. We ask you to bless us and show us, like Peter, how to lead others to you. We make this prayer in your name. Amen

Our Lady and St Patrick's Primary School and Nursery

Website: www.olsp-rc.com

Our Lady and St Patrick's School is committed to safeguarding children.

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Rachel O'Sullivan Deputy Child Protection Leads: Mrs A Folland, Mrs R Gordon, Mrs S Emmerton, Mrs J Osborne Named Governors for Child Protection: Mrs Lorraine Coulter