



St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 9th July 2018

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A message for all Parents/Carers

Thank you to the many parents who gave such positive feedback regarding our recent Sports Day. Despite the heat of the day, the children enjoyed the experience and we much appreciated the generosity of our colleagues at Alfred Salter in loaning their grounds to us.

It was a disappointment therefore that some parents did not respect the arrangement and demanded late entry into the school using offensive language.

How can we possibly ask Alfred Salter staff for this privilege next year?



New school app – My Ed

The My Ed app will enable you to receive free messages for reminders about events. It will show you up-to-date information about aspects of your child's school life such as attendance as well as directly linking to the school website pages showing important dates etc.

Please download the 'My Ed' app now if you have not already done so.

During the busy last couple of weeks of term we will be able to send you reminders through the app of events and activities.



Water for every pupil

Please ensure that your child has a refillable bottle of water with them every day. In this heat it is so important!

Recently we have had children, due to go out on a trip, who have had no water with them. Going forward, if your child does not have a bottle of water in school and they are going on a trip we will give them a bottle to take and you will need to pay £1 for this. We ask your co-operation in ensuring your child is organised for school in the last 2 weeks.

Parents' Evening

Children's reports have been sent home this evening. You are invited in to see the children's work on Wednesday 11th July between 3.30 – 4.30pm. The last admittance is at 4.20pm. Please remember that no food should be consumed on the school premises.



Tuesday 10th July - Year 6 Leavers' Mass 2.15pm

Wednesday 11th July – Parent Open Evening from 3.30 -4.30pm to look at the children's work.

Please note that last admittance is at 4.20pm.

Wednesday 11th July – SPLASH at The Queen Elizabeth Hall.

Thursday 12th July – Year 4 trip to The British Film Institute.

Tuesday 17th July – 10.45am Violin Recital

All parents of violinists are welcome to join us for this special assembly.

Thursday 19th July – Nursery last day



Friday 20th July

School finishes at 2pm



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FOSJ 2nd Hand Uniform Sale

The last second hand uniform sale of the year will be on Friday 13th July at 8:30am and 3:30pm outside the school entrance. Come along and get bargain 'nearly new' uniform ready for September. Prices from 50p.

If you have any outgrown, good condition uniform to donate, please bring it into the office this week.

Message from the Chair of Governors: Planning Application next door to the School

As you may be aware, British Land have submitted a planning application for their Canada Water Masterplan, with detailed plans for three new buildings: a tall tower block and a replacement leisure centre at the current shopping centre car park, and a six storey block of 84 flats on the small patch of land surrounded by grey fence on Roberts Close next to the School and Church.

As a school, we feel that this proposed block is too big for the plot of land, the flats there will be cramped and overcrowded, it will take away daylight and sunlight from the Nursery playground in particular, as well as the Church and Father's Field. There is no provision for car parking for these flats and we feel that this development is not appropriate in a low-rise neighbourhood with two adjoining primary schools and a nature reserve. A local group representing local schools, the Church, the Woodlands and other stakeholders has been set up to oppose this development. We would like to invite you to submit your own comments on the Council's planning website

<https://planning.southwark.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application> search for application 18/AP/1604.

If you would like to come into school to use our ICT suite next week this will be available on Wednesday 11th and Tuesday 17th July from 8.45 am until 9.20am and then from 2.45 – 3.15pm to make your comments, with group members present to provide more information on the development. The deadline for comments is 20th July, so there is not much time to make your voice heard. Look out for the posters around the Roberts Close area for more information on this development.

Celebrating Success KS1



We were very proud of the children as they sang 'God Save the Queen' to open the Sports Day. They enjoyed their races and enjoyed the morning.

KS2 Sailing Triumphs



The children in Year 5 were victorious in the Inter Schools Sailing Championships last week. They took first place and were awarded with a trophy!



Year 6 enjoyed the most amazing experience at The Sailing Centre in the Isle of Wight on their Federation residential weekend! Their sailing skills they learnt in Year 5 were put to the test in the sea!



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