

St Kentigern's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

June 2005

Dear Parents,

It's been a very busy term so far and the school diary is as full as ever. Last month we welcomed the Bishop to the parish for the Year 6 Confirmations. My thanks go to Fr John and all who helped prepare the children to receive this Sacrament. Bishop Patrick was very impressed with the candidates and the depth of their knowledge and understanding. After a hectic week of National Tests the

children went to Tabor House for a day of reflection to re-focus their minds and hearts on their spiritual journey. This proved to be a meaningful day for all who attended. Thanks to all who organised and took part.

We welcome Mrs Winston, our new Office Manager in school. She took over from Mrs Latimer on 6th June and we hope that she will soon settle in and enjoy working in this school and parish

community. I know you will all make her feel very welcome.

I urge you all to get involved in the PTFA Summer Fun Day, the main social event of the PTFA calendar. It will be on Sunday July 3rd at 11.30am. Please do consider running a stall with your family and join in the fun. Let's make it a real success!

Yours sincerely
Frances Wygladala

PTFA NEWS

THANKS

Thank you to all who supported the BBQ & Obstacle Course. It was a fantastic atmosphere enjoyed by all.

NEXT MEETING

8pm on Wednesday 22nd June in the Parish Centre

NEXT EVENT

FRIDAY 17TH JUNE
6.30PM
TREASURE HUNT
MEET IN THE HALL

ADVANCE NOTICE

SUMMER FUN DAY
SUNDAY JULY 3RD

Families are invited to run stalls and get fully involved in this event. Please see Mr or Mrs Lonsdale. £5 of Raffle tickets will be sent home for every family to sell. Please contact school if you need more.

Tickets should be returned to school no later than Thursday 30th June.



Mrs Latimer, the school secretary, retired at the end of last term after 24 years of loyal service to our school.

Many thanks to all the parents who contributed to her retirement present.

We purchased the above garden furniture set, which is being put to good use. The assembly to celebrate her work was a fitting tribute to a wonderful person and was enjoyed by all.

SPONSORED WALK

A big **THANK YOU** to all who supported this walk in aid of Paige and Gerard. We have raised a staggering £2,500 to date.

Please can parents send any sponsor money owing to school as soon as possible so that presentations can be organised.

KS1 FUN/SPORTS DAY

Monday 20th June
1.30pm in Stanley Park Arena.

KS2 SPORTS DAY

Monday 11th July
1.30pm in Stanley Park Arena.

Parents: please ensure that your child has a full PE kit on the day.

INDUCTION NIGHT

Thursday 16th June
7pm in the Hall

New parents are invited to meet the school team and purchase new uniform for September

There is also the opportunity to look around school.

TESCO VOUCHERS

Thank you to everyone who collected vouchers for the school.

We are in the process of counting them and ask for any you have still at home to be sent in to school as soon as possible.

THANK YOU!

YORK TRIP

46 children and 5 members of staff and a school governor spent 3 days and 2 nights in York last week. The children enjoyed visiting Jorvik and learning about the Vikings followed by a trip to York Minster. The first day concluded with a ghost walk around the city. On Tuesday we were trained to be Roman soldiers at Brigantium, Murton Park. We all passed the test and were awarded a certificate by the centurion along with a Roman coin. We all ate a traditional Roman lunch without the dormice! That evening was rounded off by a disco. On Wednesday we visited Magna Science Museum in Rotherham. Children had the opportunity to explore earth, water, air and fire with hands on experiences. My thanks go to the children for their behaviour and to the adults who gave up their valuable time to support this trip.

HELIO GYM NEWTON DRIVE

Year 6 have been given a wonderful opportunity to work with Helio's in our community to improve levels of fitness.

The programme runs every Thursday from Thursday 16th June to Thursday 14th July all starting at 3.30pm at Helio's.

Please see Miss Wallbank for further details.

TOWN SPORTS

Children from our school were entered in the following events:

- Swimming Gala
- Boy's Football
- Girls' Football
- Athletics
- Tag Rugby
- Mixed Cricket
- Road Race

Thanks to all the staff and parents for their support.

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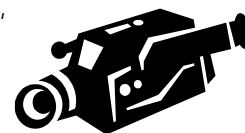
We will hold a short liturgical service at 2.45pm on Monday 4th July after the G8 summit in Edinburgh. We will say prayers and each class will light a candle as a symbol of hope. Time will be spent reflecting on how blessed we are and how we should do all we can to help others less fortunate than ourselves.

All welcome.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

Many congratulations to DANIELLA, ELIZABETH, KATIE, MATTHEW, KIERON, NAOMI, LAURA, VALERIE & LUCIA for winning Blackpool's Primary Digital Film Project 2005.

My thanks go to Mrs Heyes and Mr Dobbert who directed and produced the film. Well done! This is a fantastic achievement for our small primary school.



PRINTER CARTRIDGES

This recycling scheme allows us to claim money back for empty printer cartridges (HP, CANON & LEXMARK) Please keep sending in any used toner/cartridges.

PERSIL STARS

Please collect the token from the boxes. They help school to buy arts and craft resources. We have a fantastic amount of tokens to exchange for art equipment. Please continue to send them in.

NESTLE CEREAL

Many thanks for supporting this scheme. We have ordered DK books for the school library from the vouchers already collected. Please keep sending the tokens in for the next collection. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 16th June 3.30pm

Year 6 to Helio's Gym for Fitness Training

Thursday 16th June 7pm

Induction Evening for New Reception Parents in the Hall

Friday 17th June

10.10am Year 3 Class Assembly

1.30pm Year 5/6 Mixed Cricket Tournament at Blackpool Cricket Club

2.30pm Channel 5 filming in Key Stage 1 for a "Milk Shake Summer Special" Programme

6.30pm PTFA Treasure Hunt in the Hall

Saturday 18th June 9.30am

Road Racers in Stanley Park

Monday 20th June (All day)

Year 5 Taster Day at St Mary's Catholic

1.30pm Key Stage 1 Sports Day in Stanley Park Arena

Tuesday 21st June 11am

Year 2 Class Liturgy

Wednesday 22nd June 8pm

PTFA Meeting in the Parish Centre

Thursday 23rd June 1.30pm

Year 5 Cricket Tournament in Stanley Park

3.30pm Year 6 to Helio's for Fitness Programme

Friday 24th June 10.10am

Reception Class Assembly

Monday 27th June

Year 6 Taster Day at St Mary's Catholic College

Wednesday 29th June 10.15am

Feast of SS Peter & Paul Mass in Church

Thursday 30th June 3.30pm

Year 6 to Helio's for Fitness Programme

Sunday 3rd July 11.30am

PTFA Summer Fun Day