Note from the Head

Well, I don't think the first two weeks of school could have gone any better! I am so proud of the way the children have settled back into the structure and routine of school life and in particular how they have behaved this week during our safety drills.

Friday 13th September

St. John's Catholic Primary School
Burscough

Notes for next week

In my new role, I am keen to drive our school forward in: making changes, consistently improving, and upholding the highest standards.

As parents, your views and opinions are of upmost importance to me and I value your feedback on what you feel we do well and where we could improve. I have created a Parent Questionnaire and your responses will help to shape the actions I take when planning school development. All responses are confidential and results will be shared with you once collated.

Please scan the QR code to access the questionnaire via Google, there is also a link below. If you would like a paper copy, please pop into the office.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfha5dRWPHFfz9vgxMJ-XdmHZL7jihE0ByTTGCUC4zCC7idDA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Emergency Drill

This week we have carried out two safety drills. The first, on Wednesday was the Fire Drill, in which the children amazed us with their speed as we managed to exit the building completely in 2 minutes 19 seconds!

We then practised our school 'lockdown' procedures. The children were sensible and calm during the practise where children and staff had to go inside their classrooms, sit under desks and away from windows and doors. Blinds were shut and doors and windows were locked. We then went back to our lessons and activities. Teachers spoke to their pupils before we started so the children were prepared for it. The children were extremely sensible and calm throughout.

Congratulations

A huge Well Done to Penny in Class 2 and Amelie from last Year's 6 who have been shortlisted by DS Smith in their 100th birthday box design competition

Mass times

Sunday 09.00 am
Mon - Fri 09.00 am
Saturday 06.30 pm

24th Sunday in Ordinary time

15th September

Gospel Reading - Mark 8:27-35

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Peter declares that Jesus is the Christ, and Jesus teaches that those who would follow him must take up his or her cross.

God has a wonderful plan for us. Sometimes we go through tough things in life, which are never pleasant. We don't always understand what God is doing. But He has a plan.

We know Jesus keeps His promises and has good plans for us. We can trust in Him and follow His word, even when it's hard, because He is with us.

We have spoken in school about the start of the new academic year and how this is the opportunity for us all to make New beginnings. We have thought about promises we can make to ourselves and the importance of making our own plans to make this year a brilliant one!

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Following the success of last years coffee mornings, we will be holding two events to raise money for this special charity. KS1 and Nursery will hold their coffee morning on Friday 20th September. KS2 will hold their coffee morning Friday 29th September.

For the event to run successfully we will need donations of cake to be taken into class on the morning of each event. There will be prizes for the best home-made cake from each class! Children may join their parents and enjoy a drink and cake. If you have children across both key stages then they may come together to sit with their family, otherwise, due to space, it will be strictly Nursery and KS1 on 20th and KS2 on 27th.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 18th September - School photographer in (individual and siblings photos)

Thursday 19th September - Whole school Mass at 9am

Friday 20th September - Nursery and KS1 Macmillan coffee morning at 09:15 in school hall

Wednesday 25th September - Class 2 at Forest School

Friday 27th September KS2 Macmillan coffee morning at 09:15 in school hall

Monday 30th September, Thursday 4th October, Friday 4th October Year 5 Bikeability

Thursday 3rd October - Whole school Mass at 9am

Wednesday 9th October - Harvest assembly, all invited at 14:30 in the school hall

Thursday 10th October - Class 2 to attend Mass at 9am

Wednesday 16th October Parents evening 14:30 - 18:00 in the school hall

Thursday 17th October - Class 1 to attend Mass at 9am

Thursday 17th October - Half term achievement assembly - all are invited at 14:30 in the school hall

Friday 18th October - Close for Half Term

The following children were awarded certificates by their class teacher for showing Compassion to others this week.

Well Done!!

EYFS: Everyone!

Class 2: Michael, Penny

Class 3: Luke, Neive, Eva-Dee

Class 4: Isla, Archie, Lily, Georgia

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