

Newsletter

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Week ending 13th October 2017

As you are no doubt aware, the school has been running morning and after school clubs.

Unfortunately, the demand for these clubs has fallen off recently and they no longer provide enough income to pay for their upkeep. Sadly, these child care facilities will close at the end of this half-term and we asked that all children are collected at 3.15pm.

However, we will be replacing early morning club with a free breakfast club, sponsored by Greggs which will open from 7.30am until 8.45am and is free of charge. We are limited to 30 children per day so we do ask that if your child is allocated a place, she/he agrees to attend every day for the whole half term. Across the year we will ensure that every child has the opportunity to join the club for at least one half term.

If you would like to sign your child up for the Greggs Breakfast Club, then please complete a booking form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. You will be informed by letter if you have been successful in getting a place.

We are currently looking for volunteers to help run this club. If you think that this is something you would be interested in, then please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Please also be aware that we run a number of after school clubs which include: choir on Monday, netball on Thursday and basketball on Friday, with more clubs planned for next half-term.

Details of after school activities can always be found in our newsletter or the school website. All clubs run from 3.15pm until 4.15pm, children can sign up for them at the beginning of each half term and they are free.

Thank you for your continuing support





Year 5 & 6 Residential 2018

Next year's residential trip has been provisionally booked for Wednesday 27th - Friday 29th June to Hole Farm, Dartmouth, with an adventure educational specialist company called Young Spirit.

We would like to invite parents of year 5 & 6 children to attend a brief meeting on Thursday 9th November, at 3:20pm in the school hall to discuss this fantastic trip.

In the meantime, please have a look on their website for further information: http://www.youngspirit.co.uk/

Parent Feedback Your opinion counts, and we want to hear it.

Parent View is an online questionnaire that allows parents and carers to give their views about their child's school at any time.

The questionnaire can be accessed directly from the Parent View site.

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

Or you can complete a form whilst you are at parents evening. Computers will be set up in the hall and we have guest logins. So come along and share your opinions and give us valuable feedback.



Lost Property -

Has your child lost a few jumpers? Perhaps she/he has lost a coat or two? Once again we seem to have

developed a huge pile of children's coats and jumpers, all of which are unamed. The contents of the lost protery box will be put out in the hall during parents evening and we encourage all our parents to come and give a good home to these clothes. There will be premanent markers available so that reclaimed baggage can be named straight away.







Attendance! Our target for attendance this year is 96.62%



Class	Attendance
Class 1	96.97%
Class 2	99.49%
Class 3	95.87%
Class 4	99.21%
Class 5	97.13%

Classes with 100% attendance will get to choose a packet of biscuits from the biscuit basket



The Page a Day Challenge Creating a love of reading in children is potentially one of the most powerful ways of improving their learning and understanding. There can be few better ways to improve pupils' chances in school, or beyond in the wider world than to enable them to become truly independent readers.

Help us to support your child's learning by having them read daily. A small challenge that will pay big dividends.



FoS Events

FoS now have their own email account. If you have any questions or fundraising ideas, please send them an email:

fos@cathedral.plymouth.sch.uk

Friday 1st December School Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 19th December Christmas Raffle



Watch this space for further information about each of these events or follow us on Facebook for the latest updates.

We have published all FoS minutes onto our website:

https://cathedralschool.eschools.co.uk/website/friends_of_school

Parents Evening

Appointments are still available for next week's parents evening. If you unable to make any of the appointments on either Tuesday 17th or Wednesday 18th please contact the office and they will liaise with your child's class teacher to make other arrangements to see you.

SCHOOL DISCO

Thursday 2nd Nov 2017



KS1 3:30 - 4:30PM KS2 5:00 - 6PM

Can you help???

We really need parent support to help at the Disco. If you can help out then please contact FoS via the school office. We even throw in free cups of teas.







When your child is unwell, it can be hard deciding whether to keep them off school. These simple guidelines should help.

Not every illness needs to keep your child from school. If you keep your child away from school, be sure to inform the school on the first day of their absence.

Use common sense when deciding whether or not your child is too ill to attend school. Ask yourself the following questions.

- Is my child well enough to do the activities of the school day? If not, keep your child at home.
- Does my child have a condition that could be passed on to other children or school staff? If so, keep your child at home.
- Would I take a day off work if I had this condition? If so, keep your child at home.

Cough and cold. A child with a minor cough or cold may attend school. If the cold is accompanied by a raised temperature, shivers or drowsiness, the child should stay off school, visit the GP and return to school 24 hours after they start to feel better. If your child has a more severe and long-lasting cough, consult your GP. They can give guidance on whether your child should stay off school.

Raised temperature. If your child has a raised temperature, they shouldn't attend school. They can return 24 hours after they start to feel better.

Vomiting and diarrhoea. Children with diarrhoea and/or vomiting should definitely be kept off school until at least 48 hours after their symptoms have gone.

Sore throat. A sore throat alone doesn't have to keep a child from school. But if it's accompanied by a raised temperature, your child should stay at home.



Tell the school

It's important to inform the school if your child is going to be absent. On the first day of your child's illness, telephone the school to tell them that your child will be staying at home. The school may ask about the nature of the illness and how long you expect the absence to last.

If it becomes clear that your child will be away for longer than expected, phone the school as soon as possible to explain this.



Stars of the week

All of our children are amazing but these children have stood out from the crowd and been a little bit extra brilliant this week.

Class 1

Maya - Great maths and number work

Rusty - Fabulous settling in

Class 2

Chimuamanda - Fantastic phonics

Hollie - Hard working in literacy

Class 3

Brooke - Setting a good example to the rest of the class

Charlotte - Being a thoughtful member of class 3

Class 4

Maria - Independence - Innovating her work!

Jessica - Heart - Amazing RE work!

Class 5

Leni - For increased focus

Kieran - For increased learning









The Cathedral School of St Mary 2017-2018

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School Closed/ Holidays

Bank Holiday



Staff training day school closed









Whole School and Class Masses Autumn 2017

When	Who	Where	
Tuesday 12 th September @ 9.15am	Whole School	Cathedral	
Tuesday 19 th September @ 10am	Class 5	Classroom	
Sunday 8 th October @ 10am	Whole School	Cathedral	
Tuesday 17 th October @ 10am	Class 4	Classroom	
Wednesday 1 st November @ 9.15	Whole School	Cathedral	
Tuesday 14 th November @ 10 am	Class 3	Classroom	
Tuesday 12 th December @ 10am	Classes 1 & 2	Classroom	
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Please join us at any or all of our celebrations.

A joyful and faith-filled event for young and old,

where all are welcome. (Children & young people follow their own programme).

14th/15th October - This weekend!

Notre Dame School,

Looseleigh Lane,

Plymouth PL6 5HN

Main Speakers: Rev. Olly Ryder, Pippa Baker,

David Wells. Lively worship, drama,

a variety of workshops, family Mass.

Prior booking essential. For more details:

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A CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC WEEKEND CONFERENCE