



ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY

Newsletter 4

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Through The Week

The children from our school choir spent Wednesday afternoon and evening rehearsing and performing as part of the “Young Voices” series of concerts. The venue was full to capacity and the children sang with sheer enjoyment and pride. They had prepared well and delivered an unforgettable performance. Thanks must be given to the staff who accompanied them on such a long day and to the children for being wonderful representatives for our school.

Having experienced the wettest January on record the bad weather is set to continue. Please ensure that your child comes to school in the appropriate footwear. It is very tempting to wear trainers or boots to school but they are NOT school uniform. Please continue to support the school with this important policy. Thank you.

If you wish to speak to a member of staff please ensure that you make an appointment through the school office to discuss any concerns that you may have. Teachers will be busy through the day and are available to talk briefly before and after school. If you require further time please use the appropriate procedures. Thank you.

TEACHER TRAINING DAY

PLEASE NOTE THAT SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR TEACHER TRAINING ON FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY.

Education Sunday

Sunday 12th February is Education Sunday. The theme for this year is “Going above and beyond...” Education Sunday is an opportunity for schools and parishes to come together to celebrate and give thanks for all the students, staff and parents who work so hard in and for Catholic schools. It is also a chance for us to reflect upon the contribution that Catholic education makes to our communities. The Catholic Education Service website offer some very useful information about the day itself and there will be a special Wednesday Word solely dedicated to this important day. Please spend some time with your child discussing this very important day. Thank you.

Punctuality and Lateness

Children continue to come to school after 8:55, the official time that signals the beginning of the school day. There are very stringent powers that schools can enforce which may result in a fine for those families that habitually arrive at school after the day has commenced. Please ensure that your child arrives punctually and in good time for school. All too often children who arrive late for the beginning of lessons struggle to focus through the day. Please support your child in giving them the best start to the day possible by making sure that they arrive at school on time. Thank you.

PEARL Assembly

This week’s PEARL assembly was on the theme of Achievement. Miss Duffy shared with the children the trials and tribulations about life of Saint Paul and the hardships that he endured. Despite all of the difficulties he faced he never stopped spreading the word of God through the known world bringing the message of love and peace to new believers. Miss Duffy explained to the children that when they are faced with achieving something that is challenging and difficult think of St Paul and the way he conquered his fears.

BIRTHDAYS

Unfortunately we can no longer accept cakes or sweets to share on children’s birthdays. Some children suffer from certain food allergies and could suffer from a serious medical condition if they ingest certain foods. Birthdays will be celebrated in the weekly newsletter from now on. Thank you for your support with this.

Achievement Winners

This week’s Achievement certificates go to the following pupils:

Year 1	Oliwier	Nicholas
Year 2	Favour	Joshua
Year 3	Jacque	Luz
Year 4	Ethan	Tracy
Year 5	Jayden and Ami	Javarn
Year 6	Joseph	Ruth

Well done to all the children - we are all very proud of you!

House Points

Congratulations to the children of Southwell, this week's house point winners. Keep up the good work children.

Place	Saint	Points
1 st	Southwell	426
2 nd	Briant	396
2 nd	Campion	351
4 th	Anne Line	293

Website

There were over 150 visitors to the website through the week. Please keep visiting the site, there is a lot of information about the school that will keep you informed of many different things that happen at St Ignatius. The famous football trophy was the FA Cup which was located on 6M's class page and the BIG question was hidden on the Who's Who page. Please spend some time reading through the Latest News section and read about the choir's appearance at the O2 centre and dig around on the site to find a picture of a very important saint whose feast day is coming up shortly and this week's big question. Let's see if we can have over 200 hits this week!!

Football Team News

The boys' football team had another outing on Monday night and their bad run of controversial decision seemed to plague them once again! They lost 2 – 0 to Holy Trinity. Their fortunes changed on Thursday night as they tried a new formation. It seemed to help them score their first win over the league leaders – The Willow School with a 1 – 0 victory and a scoreless draw against Risley Avenue school. The team are now second in the league, eight points off the leaders. Jayden Clifton – Hamilton was the man of the match. Keep on keeping on boys!

Read for my School

This important competition has returned once again to school and after a very good response last year we have decided to enter the children from Key Stage 2 to compete. All children have received their log in details and have made a very steady start to the competition. This week 70 books have been read. This is a very good start and some children have even completed an on line review of what they have read. Over 76,000 books have been read throughout the country this week. Let's see if we can read over 100 books over the coming week. You can do it children!

PE Kit

Children are still wearing incorrect uniform to PE lessons. Please read the list below and ensure that your child is appropriately dressed.

PE Kit at St Ignatius needs to be worn for all PE lesson. The correct kit children wear is:

White T shirt

Black / Navy blue shorts (warm weather)

Black/Navy blue shorts (cold weather)

School jumper (cold weather)

Black/Dark trainers/plimsolls

NO LABELLED CLOTHING SHOULD BE WORN

All clothing should be labelled with your child's name clearly displayed on it.

The BIG Question

"Your dog eats your homework; is it your fault that you can't bring it in?"

Please spend some time discussing the possible answers there are to this question with your child.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to all children and staff who celebrated their birthday this week. We hope that you had a lovely day!

Prayer to St John Bosco by the children of 5S

O glorious St John Bosco, thank you for leading so many young children like those of us here at St Ignatius to follow the way of Jesus.

Oh holy patron of the youth we come to you with confidence because of your devotion to Jesus. We ask for your intercession to help us with our learning. We want to achieve our goals and be the best that we can be.

You remind us to walk in faith and to follow our PEARL values and to steer away from the dangers in our world.

You heroically sacrificed yourself to the very end. We are grateful for your example and the teachings that you bestowed on so many. They remind us of the importance of living a life that is pure and holy. May we be led on the path that leads to God.

Amen.

HAVE A LOVELY WEEKEND!!