



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Fir Avenue, Halewood,
Merseyside, L26 0XR



End of Year Newsletter 21st July 2017

Year 6

Our Year 6 children performed their Leavers' Assembly yesterday to the whole school and a large number of parents and family members. They all performed extremely well and this was a fitting way for them to say goodbye, as many of them have been with us for 9 years. We wish them the very best as they move to their secondary schools in September: St Julie's, SFX, Bellerive, Halewood Academy, St. Margaret's, King David and St. Hilda's. We hope they will all be as happy there as they have been here.

Congratulations to all the children in Year 6 for working hard, achieving and progressing so well and thank you to all our staff for teaching and supporting our children so effectively.

Leavers' Mugs

We have redesigned the mugs we give to Year 6 children who are leaving us, incorporating two further designs by John Charles (our resident artist and Dad of Emmy in Year 2). His canvases are also on display in our school hall. Many thanks to John for his excellent work.

School Admissions

Reception - we have 30 children starting Reception in September, exceeding our standard intake number of 25 for the fourth year running. We also have 5 children currently on the waiting list.

Nursery - our morning Nursery is already full, with 28 children starting in September, so we are employing an additional Teaching Assistant, Mrs Perrin, to meet the needs of these children, as we normally admit a maximum of 26. We expect our afternoon Nursery which starts in January to be full during the year. If you have a child due to have their 3rd birthday this year please fill in an application form as soon as possible.

School term time dates 2017 - 18 - see school website

Attendance 100%

Congratulations to the 12 children with 100% attendance this year and 70 children with 100% attendance this term. They were rewarded with a variety of gifts at assembly this morning.

Dinner Money

From September 2017, the cost of a school dinner will increase to £1.90 per day, £9.50 per week. Children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 will receive a free school meal.

Nursery/Reception Classrooms

Liverpool Archdiocese, who oversee all Catholic schools have agreed that our Foundation Stage classrooms should be totally refurbished, with additional toilets and purpose built kitchen area. Plans have already been drawn up, but unfortunately work will not be undertaken this summer holiday. As soon as I know more details, I will let you know.

SATs Results 2017

KS1	School	National
Reading	73%	74%
Writing	63%	66%
Maths	77%	73%

KS2	School	National
Reading	69%	71%
Writing	69%	76%
Maths	85%	75%
SPAG	88%	77%
R/W/M	62%	61%

Staffing

	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>TA</u>
Nursery	Mr Beard	Mrs Costello/Mrs Perrin (AM)
Rec	Mrs Dunbar	Mrs Mason
Y1	Mrs Schofield	Miss Woods/Mrs Kaye KS1
Y2	Mrs Verghese	Mrs Rigby
Y3	Miss Wilson	Mr Cushion (AM)
Y4	Miss Connell	Miss Ashton (AM)
Y5	Miss Doyle	Mrs Taylor (AM)
Y6	Miss Ferguson	Mr Harvey
	Mrs Martin	
PPA	Mr Ledsam (4 days per week)	

Halewood Summer Camp

The Halewood Town Council Summer Camp is free to everyone and held at the three venues listed below. If you choose to attend you must accompany your child/children to these events. They will be run throughout the summer holidays, starting next week on Monday 24th July. Lunch will be provided for the children.

Mondays	Hollies Hall	11:00am - 1:00pm
Tuesdays	New Hutte	11:00am - 1:00pm
Fridays	Arncliffe	11:00am - 1:00pm

If you require further information please contact Lynne O'Keeffe 0151 487 7418

Finally the staff wish you all a very happy Summer and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 4th September for the start of another enjoyable and successful year.

In a caring Christian community together we love, learn, laugh and achieve.



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