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**Newsletter No 17**

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**Dear Parents and Carers,**

Our building project has been making really good progress this week and is nearing completion. The children are getting very excited about their new classrooms and are counting down the days until they move.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> January, our 'Friends' association will be holding a coffee morning in the Infant site hall after drop off, to allow an opportunity to say good bye to the school. They will also be holding a coffee afternoon on 1<sup>st</sup> February from

2.15 in the main hall, to welcome our nursery and reception parents/carers and ensure an opportunity to meet parents and carers from other classes.

**Notes for your diary**

- 15<sup>th</sup> January **Deadline for Reception September 2018 application**
- 23<sup>rd</sup> January Coffee morning at Effingham Road site
- 25<sup>th</sup> January **Last day of school at Effingham Road site**
- 29<sup>th</sup> January **All pupils attending school on Newstead Road site**
- 9<sup>th</sup> February **Session for parents and carers focusing on supporting children with anxiety**
- 6<sup>th</sup> March Parent/carer and teacher meetings 3.30 – 6
- 7<sup>th</sup> March Parent/carer and teacher meetings 4.30 - 7

**Please park with consideration for others and for your child's school.**

Please ensure that you do not park across driveways when dropping off or picking up your child. We are still receiving phone calls and visits to the office from residents who are concerned and very angry about double parking, speed of vehicles and being blocked in on their own drives. It feels very unfair that staff are being shouted at on a regular basis because some of our parents/carers are behaving so inconsiderately towards our neighbours. It is also really upsetting that we are working so hard to build a great school founded on gospel values but our reputation is being compromised by the way we treat our neighbours.



## **STARTING RECEPTION CLASS IN SEPTEMBER 2018**

**If your child is due to start in Reception Class in September 2018, you must ensure you apply by 15<sup>th</sup> January**

**You must apply online to the borough in which you live. You must also fill in a supplementary form if you are applying to this school or any other faith school (you will find this on our web site).**

**If you need any help with completing either form, please ask the office staff. They will be very happy to help you. If you need access to a computer we can also help you with this.**

**If your child is in the nursery you must still fill in both forms to apply for a place in Reception Class.**

## **School Meals 1<sup>st</sup> spring half term 3/1/18 – 9/2/18**

Please ensure that you are up to date with meal payments for the autumn term, if you are unsure please check with the school office.

Dinner money for the first half of the spring term, payable either in advance but not in arrears, will be £58.80 or £10.50 per week.

### **Food Bank**

As I am sure you are aware, a number of our families are really struggling to make ends meet in these difficult economic times. We want to make things a little easier for those in need so we would like to continue to run a small food bank which can be accessed by any of our families in need. This will obviously be managed with sensitivity and confidentiality. Please let us know if you need to access this or any other support.

We are asking for donations so we can meet needs. These foods will need to be non-perishable/easy to use food as cooking facilities can be very challenging.

We are suggesting anything from the list below but you may also have some other suggestions.

Milk (UHT or powdered), Sugar, Fruit juice (carton), Soup (tinned/packet/instant), Pasta sauces , Sponge pudding (tinned), Tomatoes (tinned), Cereals, Rice pudding (tinned), Tea Bags/instant coffee, Instant mash potato, Rice/pasta, Tinned meat/fish, Tinned fruit, Jam/Honey etc, Biscuits or snack bars.'

Please bring any items of food to the school office. Thank you for all your generosity.

## **Our Lady of Lourdes parish**

### **First Communion Programme 2017/18**

The next session will be tomorrow, Saturday 13th January. The children will be in the church and the parents in the hall, both at 10:00am . Please do arrive before 10:00am so that the sessions can start and finish on time; teas and coffees will be available in the hall from 9:45am.

We will be covering Chapter 7 "Peace".

## Events organised by Parents & Friends

Happy New Year from the Friends

The PTA would like to join the school in welcoming everyone back to school and there is lots planned for the next few months. This term money raised will particularly support provision of additional equipment for our new school buildings.

Firstly we'd like to invite you to coffee.

1. From 9.15 on Tuesday 23rd in the infants school hall as the children prepare to move up
2. From 2.15 on Thursday 1st February in new Hall as a chance to meet over coffee now all the children will be on one site.

The Family Bingo Night will be back 6.15-8pm on Friday 2nd March in the main hall. The Friends would gladly receive any donations of prizes for adults and children for the event - maybe any unused presents. Please drop to the office.

Finally dates for your diaries

Annual Easter Egg Hunt Tuesday 27th March

Cake Sale Friday 18th May

Family Fun Day Saturday 14th July

## Attendance & Punctuality for this week

Please ensure that your child arrives in the playground in time to line up with their class when the bell is rung. If your child is coming in after their class each day then it is really important that you and your child leave home a little earlier to rectify this problem.

Total 59 late children throughout the school. Congratulations to 3A with no late children.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Lates</u>
Reception C	95%	1	Year 2CL	95%	7	Year 4T	97%	10
Reception B	85%	4	Year 2FM	94%	2	Year 4L	95%	8
Year 1 A	96%	8	Year 3U	99%	6	Year 5K	99%	4
Year 1 D	99%	5	Year 3A	99%	0	Year 5/6F	98%	1
						Year 6M	97%	3

Have a lovely weekend

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