

ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

DEAR PARENT/CARER

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR CHILDREN IN YEARS 2 AND 6 who have completed their SATs this half term. They have worked extremely hard.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MISS WOLANSKI'S CLASS 1Wo who have won our Magnificent Attendance Trophy for their excellent attendance last week. **Haven't they done well.** They will receive extra play this week and will receive points for our termly attendance competition, the winning class of which receives a special prize. It is tremendously important that every child comes to school as often as possible so please do all you can to ensure your child never misses even one school day unnecessarily.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE YEAR 3 FOOTBALLERS who played in a tournament at St. Bedes last Wednesday. All players were fantastic and tried really hard. The team work between the players was superb. A special mention to **Dominik Milewski** who played brilliantly, **Kenneth Mushaya** who was a great defender and **Natalia Lipowska** for her super goal keeping skills.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS REMINDER – Tomorrow Thursday 26th May, the school photographer will be in school to take photographs of your child/children which will be supplied to you on a proof card which will give you details of the packs you can purchase. **If you don't want any of the packs you don't have to buy them.** Please send your child to school as spic and span as possible and wearing school uniform.

THIS SUNDAY – 29th May at 11:15am – FIRST COMMUNIONS will take place at St Columba's Church. 38 children from the Parish of St Mary who have been prepared in St Columba's and St Peter's schools will be making their First Communion. Please can we keep all these children in our prayers.

LIFE CARAVAN SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN/PARENTS. During the first week back after half term a mobile classroom and a specialist team of presenters will be in school teaching the children about how to live healthy lives and deal with the problems of the modern world. As part of their work the team has put on special sessions **FOR PARENTS ON TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2.40PM – 3.00PM AND THURSDAY 16TH JUNE 8.50AM – 9.10AM.** If you are free please come along.

KITCHEN GARDEN – On Wednesday 15th June school will be holding an open afternoon to show you our new Kitchen Garden. A letter giving further details will be sent out this week.

THIS FRIDAY, 27TH MAY, WILL BE A NON UNIFORM DAY - On this day your child may, if you wish, come into school in his/her out of school clothes providing you pay a forfeit, we suggest 50p, and all proceeds will go to our Healthy Eating Gardening work.

SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR THE SPRING HOLIDAY THIS FRIDAY 27th MAY AND REMAINS CLOSED FOR TWO WEEKS UNTIL MONDAY 13th JUNE. On that day breakfast club will begin at 8.00am and main school doors open at 8.45am. After School Care will run as normal but there will be no After School Sports Clubs first week back. Our spring bank holiday is always 2 weeks long and the other half term holiday periods are a week. These periods are excellent times to take family holidays especially if you are unable to use the longer Summer and Easter holiday periods for family holidays.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHANGES TO OUR SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS starting 13th June where we are trialling a cold sandwich option. A letter has been sent out detailing this. If you need further information please contact the school office.

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