

**ST COLUMBA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENTS HOLIDAY DATES 2015/16**

**OPEN THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER
CLOSE THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER**

**OPEN TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER
CLOSE FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER**

2016

**OPEN MONDAY 4TH JANUARY
CLOSE THURSDAY 11TH FEBRUARY**

**OPEN MONDAY 22ND FEBRUARY
CLOSE WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH**

OPEN TUESDAY 5TH APRIL

CLOSED ON MONDAY 2ND MAY (MAY DAY) FOR THIS DAY ONLY

YEAR 6 SATS WEEK MON 9TH -13TH WHEN ALL YEAR 6 CHILDREN MUST BE IN SCHOOL TO DO SATS

CLOSE FRIDAY 27TH MAY

**OPEN MONDAY 13TH JUNE
CLOSE FRIDAY 22ND JULY**

WHEN ARRANGING HOLIDAYS PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THEM IN TERM TIME AS IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR PARENTS TO DO THIS OR FOR SCHOOL TO AUTHORISE. To avoid the Local Authority taking legal action against you please contact the school office as early as possible if you find that because of mitigating circumstances you need to take your child out of school for a holiday/visit during term time. **SADLY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF A CHEAP HOLIDAY DEAL DURING TERM TIME IS NOT A MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCE.**

SCHOOL OPENING AND CLOSING TIMES. School doors open at 8.45am and all pupils must be changed and in class by 8.55 am when lessons start. **CHILDREN MUST NOT BE IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS BEFORE 8.45 AM** unless an adult stays with them to supervise and care for them as there is no supervision by staff before 8.45am **except FROM 8am in Breakfast Club. CHILDREN IN MAIN SCHOOL MAY COME TO THIS CLUB BUT PARENTS MUST ENSURE THAT THEIR CHILDREN DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 8AM UNLESS THEY THE PARENTS OR ANOTHER ADULT STAYS TO SUPERVISE THEM UNTIL 8AM WHEN THE CLUB OPENS.** Entry to the Breakfast Club is free but pupils who attend do need to pay for the low cost food items they purchase (60p should suffice). **LESSONS IN MAIN SCHOOL FINISH AT 3PM WHEN THE BELL GOES.** The children then get changed and so will leave via their cloakroom door a little after this. If your child takes his/her time to get changed please encourage him/her to change more quickly.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE CLUB RUNS IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM UNTIL 4.30PM. Main school pupils may attend and will be cared for until 4.30pm **providing they are booked in with the Office** by 12noon beforehand and a fee of £2.50 per night or £10 per week is paid. Charges must be paid beforehand or when collected and **NO CHILD WHOSE FEES REMAIN UNPAID AT THE END OF THE SESSION MAY ATTEND AGAIN UNTIL THE OUTSTANDING FEES HAVE BEEN PAID.**
Reception children may only attend when they are well settled in at school.

SUNDAY MASS PLAYS AN IMPORTANT PART IN THE LIFE OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY. For this reason we ask the parents of our Catholic children to ensure they take their children to **Mass each Sunday. Mass times are:**

St Columba's	Saturday evening	5.30 pm
	Sunday morning	11.15 am
St Peter's	Sunday morning	9.30 am