

St Robert's R.C. First School Newsletter



15th September 2016

Head Teacher: Mr D Sutcliffe

We care, we serve, we learn together in the love and truth of Jesus

Statement to live by: We are all special

Upcoming Diary Dates	
Monday 19/9	
Tuesday 20/9	Whole school Mass @9:15am Cricket club @ 3:15pm No Handball club
Wednesday 21/9	Swimming Y3
Thursday 22/9	
Friday 23/9	Y3 Pilgrimage to St Mary's Cathedral and visit to the Baltic

'Be the reason someone smiles today' In our first liturgy as a school we looked at how this year we will try to be the reason someone smiles each and everyday, both at home and in school; through our words and actions.

COMMUNICATION: Emergency contact details - It is vital that we have up to date information so that we can contact you in case of emergency. If you change your mobile number you **MUST** inform the school office with the new number.

UNIFORM: A reminder, at the start of a new school year, about the high standards we have for school uniform. Please ensure that all children are coming to school with: appropriate footwear (black shoes); no jewellery; appropriate hairstyles (any hair at shoulder length must be tied back). All clothing should have child's name clearly marked. All children in years 1 to 4 should also have suitable outdoor PE kits every Thursday as PE will take place outside (weather permitting).

MEDICAL FORMS: Please complete and send back to school if your child's medical needs have changed. Please also ensure that all medication in school is up to date for the new school year. Please note, the medical forms are for serious and persistent medical conditions, for which we would need to store medicine in school, and administer in case of an emergency.

WELCOME BACK MASS: We would like to invite everyone from our school community to mass on **Tuesday 20th September, at 9:15am** in church.

REQUESTING A LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Any parent wishing to remove their child from school for whatever reason is now asked to complete a request for absence form and meet with Mr Sutcliffe. Please remember, Government guidelines are very clear that leave of absence may only be granted in very exceptional circumstances, and it is at the discretion of the Headteacher to consider each case on an individual basis. Request forms will be available from the School Office.

MCMILLIAN COFFEE MORNING: On **Friday 30 September at 3.10** we will be hosting a coffee afternoon for Macmillan Cancer Support. Any donations of cakes would be much appreciated.

NURSERY OPEN DAY: The Nursery are holding an Open Day on **Thursday 20th October** to invite new families to come in and experience what our excellent setting has to offer.

GREAT NORTH RUN: Well done to Mrs Johnson for completing the Great North Run. A huge well done has to go to Haydan Thompson in Year 4 for completing the Junior run.

THE PEARL OF AFRICA CHOIR: A reminder that tomorrow is a non school uniform - £1 and the children can bring £2 to spend on the choir's stall. The choir will perform at 2:15pm in the church and everyone in our school community is welcome to join us.

APPLICATION FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL 2017-18: The online admission portal is now open and all applications for a place at middle school should be completed by 31 October 2016.

Attendance challenge:

Rec - N/A

Year 1 - 99.5%

Year 2 - 100%

Year 3 - 96.7%

Year 4 - 99.2%

Current whole school—98.8%

National target: 96%

Attendance:

Well done everybody a great start

98.8% for the first week back. Year 2 managed an excellent 100%.



ClassDojo

A huge thank you to all the parents who successfully downloaded the APP. You now know what is making your child a successful learner.

Each week a child will be awarded a Dojo certificate during Celebration assembly in recognition of their efforts.

If you need any support with the APP please don't hesitate to speak with any of the teachers.

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Diary Events for the Autumn Term	
16/09/2016	The Pearl of Africa Choir
20/09/2016	9.15am Welcome Back Mass
30/09/2016	3.10pm Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
07/10/2016	Harvest Festival in School
07/10/2016	9am PTFA AGM
10/10/2016	1pm—3pm, Nursery and Reception Parents' Meetings
11/10/2016	Photographer in School to take individual and family photos
11/10/2016	1pm—3pm, Year 3 and Year 4 Parents' Meetings
12/10/2016	1pm—3pm, Year 1 and Year 2 Parents' Meetings
13/10/2016	Whole School Parents' Evening, 3.30pm—6pm
17/10—19/10/2016	Year 4—Robinwood
20/10/2016	Nursery Open Day
21/10/2016	Teacher Training Day
24/10—28/10/2016	Half Term
14/11/2016	Anti-bullying Week
17/11/2016	6pm November Night of Nutty Nonsense
21/11/2016	Road Safety Week
02/12/2016	PM—School Pantomime
07/12/2016	School Christmas Lunch
08/12/2016	2pm School Nativity and Christmas Market
09/12/2016	6pm School Nativity and Christmas Market
12/12/2016	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party
13/12/2016	Years 1 and 2 Christmas Party
13/12/2016	3.15pm Crib Blessing
14/12/2016	Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party
15/12/2016	9.15am School Mass
16/12/2016	School Closes for Christmas Holiday
19/12/2016—02/01/2017	Christmas Holidays
03/10/2017	School Re-opens for Spring Term