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Dear Parents

The end of another extremely busy half term has arrived and with it some beautiful weather which has allowed our children to enjoy our beautiful school grounds. The children have had a wonderful and hard working half term which has seen our Year 2 and Year 6 children complete their National Tests and although we are yet to receive their results we are extremely pleased with their individual efforts and the support that they have received from school and home. The children have actually quite enjoyed the experience which is the way it should be.

We have used some of the Friends of St John Bosco money which you kindly support to mark out the school car park and St James' car park which you are welcome to use. The junior play grounds have also been relined. I hope you agree that they have improved the existing visual aspect and of course the mini tennis courts now look like new. Can I respectfully remind you that the school staff car park is not to be used as deliveries occur throughout the day and staff from both schools need to be able to access and leave their place of work. You are welcome to use this car park when dropping off your children at Breakfast Club up until 8.00am after this time would you please park outside the school or in St James'. We have also totally refurbished our school polytunnel which now has an extra protective netting to reduce heat as well as strengthen it further.

Our school was selected to receive a moderation visit from the Local Authority focusing on our Reception children. Two officers from the LA spent yesterday morning in the reception setting and then looked at the children's work and the schools assessment systems and how this fed into future planning. We were all delighted with the outcome which stated that the reception facilities were as good as they had seen and that the children's needs were well met and that the provision was excellent. We already knew this but it is nice to receive this from a moderating team who have been looking at reception provision throughout the borough. A great big thank you to all our staff in reception and particularly Miss Wood who supported the moderators in their visit. In fact they were so impressed that they have taken some of our ideas to share as good practice with other schools.

We were delighted and proud that so many of our children again took part in the Maghull Bible Reading Competition which took place last Saturday. Many of our children received 1st, 2nd and 3rd places and the organisers commented on the participation and quality of the children's reading standards. Look out in the local papers for their photograph.

Final reminder from Fr Grant—You are all welcome to attend the Unity Celebration Mass on Sunday 27th May at 3.00pm in St Catherine's Chapel, Lydiate followed by a procession and garden party in Our Lady's Church, Lydiate.

ACTIVITIES PAGE

Our children continue to enjoy the wide variety of sports and after school clubs that we provide. I am delighted that we are able to add an after school club of dance on Thursday after school starting on 7th June. Two of our Year 5 girls have taken charge of this and have given out information flyers to children in the junior classes who have expressed an interest. They have a few left and it will be on a first come first served basis. They can be obtained from the Year 5 classroom.

Your generous donations in our fundraising events have been well used in providing plenty of lego for our lego club. The Year 2 class have loved their half term and it will now be enjoyed by Year 3 on a Tuesday evening throughout the summer term.

The children have taken part in many of the local competitions. The most recent being the Year 5 and 6 mixed tag rugby tournament in which our two teams came 3rd and 4th in a wonderful evening that was extremely close. Our tennis team who were the only participants from Maghull enjoyed a lovely afternoon of tennis at the Champion Tennis Club in Crosby. On Wednesday I took our Year 3 and 4 children to the Everton Academy where they took part in the Finals. This has been a fantastic achievement as they were part of the final 11 schools from over 150 participants. The team enjoyed a lovely sunny afternoon and I was extremely proud of their efforts and the way they supported each other. We came third in the competition with the overall winning team beating us by 1 goal to nil in a very close fought match. Things look very promising for next season. Here are some of our fantastic sports girls and boys.



**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS
SUMMER TERM 2018—2nd HALF TERM**

CLUBS START MONDAY 4th JUNE UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE

MONDAY	Lunchtime Beginners Guitar Club - Mr MacAreavy Year 4 & 5 Hi Five Club—School sport coach
TUESDAY	Lunchtime Advanced Guitar Club - Mr MacAreavy Year 3 Recorders—Lunchtime—Teachers Year 3 Lego Club
WEDNESDAY	Reception, Year 1 & 2 -8.30am-8.50am—Early Morning Reading Club with Parent and Family Year 3 & 4 Football Club—LFC Foundation Tennis Club—Junior Classes—School sports coach Teacher Training Night
THURSDAY	Year 1 & 2 Boys and Girls Rounders and Ball Skills - Teachers Year 5 & 6 Boys Cricket Junior Dance in school hall—fee applies
FRIDAY	Reception—Year 3—Football —David Campbell Soccer School—all children to get changed in outdoor classroom Year 3-6 Girls Football-Active Soccer - 4.15pm Girls get changed in newly refurb polytunnel

Early morning cricket for Year 4 5 and 6 will start the first day back 4th June at 8.20am weather permitting, children arriving at 8.45pm will not be able to participate.

Could Parents please leave the playground promptly when after school clubs are on and collect children at the end of the session.

Please note that all after school clubs finish at 4.00pm unless stated otherwise

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