# SCHOOL NEWS



### Year 4 Holy Communion

Our Year 4 children and their families enjoyed a wonderful First Holy Communion Mass on Saturday morning. I would like to thank you all for the way you participated and created a most reverend atmosphere within the Church. I for one thoroughly enjoyed the respectful but happy family environment that Fr Grant helped to create in his own unique way. The dry fine weather with no wind was simply perfect and I hope you all enjoyed your own private family celebrations. The staff all commented on how smart the boys looked and how beautiful the girls were in their dresses.

## **Important Events**

Monday 29th April - RE Pentecost Topic begins

Prayer and Liturgy - Reception Class Tuesday 30th April - Sefton CEO Mr Porter and Councillor Roscoe to visit school

Thursday 2nd May - Dad and Mum's Garden Tidy Up - meet from 5.00pm - skip already delivered, please spread the word if you can give any support at all

Wednesday 8th May - Visit from Assistant Director of Education for Liverpool Archdiocese, Mr McCullen

Sports Day - Tuesday 2nd July - 9.30 Infants - 1.15pm Juniors - Thursday 4th July if wet

Summer School Uniform - It is vital that your child has their clothing clearly named, particularly in coats, cardigan, jumpers and PE Hoodies as many are being left on the school field which is becoming a problem for teachers - Thank you

#### **Stjbkidzone**

Please ensure that you cancel your place at Stjbkidzone if it is not needed. If you have not cancelled and your child does not turn up you will be charged the full daily rate. Please book places 24 hours in advance and phone for emergencies after 12.00pm.

Please note ad hoc/extra places are not always available.

## **Nut Allergies**

We have a number of member of our school community, both children and adults who have nut allergies. Please ensure that no snack or packed lunch have items that may contain nuts. Thank you for your understanding.





St John Bosco Kindness and Politeness Award

> This week's winners are Luna Year 4 Josh Year 6

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#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Has the weather finally broken for us? I certainly hope so and it was most encouraging to return from Kingswood to see the children playing on the school field and not a puddle in sight. The weather continued to be kind to us as well celebrated our Year 4 children's First Holy Communion celebration on Saturday and the school week began and continued with some glorious blue skies. The children have certainly enjoyed being able to play on our wonderful school field and it certainly seems to raise everyone's spirits. I remain hopeful that this will continue and we will finally be able to play our girls and boys football matches with more regularity.

As I have mentioned the First Holy Communion was simply magnificent, perfect weather, wonderfully behaved children, a congregation of families that created a most appropriate environment for their children and of course an amazing Parish Priest in Fr Grant who made this such a memorable and special occasion for all of us. Many thanks for your kind comments particularly to Ms Batchelor and Mrs Conlan for organising the extra opportunity for the children to dress up on Wednesday. Their parade in front of the whole school on the Junior Playground was another lovely memory for them. A special thanks to Mrs Thomas for helping to make the children's First Holy Communion such a success.

Can I remind you all that Thursday 2nd May is Polling Day and that St James' Church Hall will be used as a Polling Station. Extra care may be required when dropping off and picking up children.

On Monday afternoon our Year 1 children presented their Prayer and Liturgy to the whole school. Their focus was appropriately about New Life and the children presented scripture readings as well as finishing off with a song to share - See Gallery.

Our Year 6 children returned last Friday from Colomendy where they had enjoyed a weeks residential at the Kingswood Centre. Many thanks to Miss Rogers, Mr Kane and Mr Davies who helped to ensure that the children had a fantastic time. Although the weather was mixed it certainly did not dampen their spirits and I was amazed and proud of the children's resilience as well as how they encouraged and supported one another. I am sure that many parents have already seen a change in their children as so often happens when they are given an opportunity like this. The children were simply a joy to be with and I thoroughly enjoyed being with them.

Next Thursday after the boys football match at 5.00pm we shall attempt to complete the children's garden refurbishment. I have all the raw materials ready to be delivered and already have a skip in place with a whacker plate being picked up on Thursday lunchtime. All I need is some muscle to help get the job done. Many thanks to the parent's who have already committed to help. I know the children will love to be able to use this facility throughout the summer term.

Can I remind everyone that classes commence at 8.45am during which time the children are engaged in important recall activities in maths and english that help to set them up for the day. I hope you have a pleasant weekend and that the weather continues to be kind.

Yours sincerely Mr D MacAreavy - Headteacher

# St John Bosco School Attendance

## Weekly Attendance w.e. 19.04.24

Whole School	Present R/C: Marks	Auth. Absent R/C: Marks	Unauth. Absent R/C: Marks
All Students	95.29%	2.36%	2.36%
Year Group	Present R/C: Marks	Auth. Absent R/C: Marks	Unauth. Absent R/C: Marks
Year 1	88.28%	3.79%	7.93%
Year 2	93.57%	3.57%	2.86%
Year 3	94%	2.67%	3.33%
Year 4	98.67%	0%	1.33%
Year 5	93.75%	6.25%	0%
Year 6 - winners	100%	0%	0%
Year R	98.67%	0%	1.33%

#### **NOTICE TO PARENTS**

Sefton Education Attendance Department is making monthly visits to all schools to monitor attendance. If you keep your child off school unnecessarily or you inform school your child is unwell whilst going on holiday you could be liable for a fine.

## Sports Page

#### **Competitive Sporting Events**

As the summer term has finally arrived the children will be enjoying a range of sporting activities both within their PE lessons, after school clubs and participation in competitions with other schools. The girls played a match just before we broke up for Easter against Green Park. It was a joy to referee the game and witness just how much the girls enjoyed playing and supporting each other ending the game as 3:0 winners. Our school supported the say no to Knife Crime initiative by running a mini marathon on Tuesday morning. All classes took part with our Year 6 children helping their chummies. As you can see from the pictures below the sun even came out to help them along the way.

## **Sport Events**

Friday 26th April - School Girls
Football Tournament - LCFA Sefton Drummond Road,
Thornton
Thursday 2nd May - Boys football
-v- St George's at home.

Friday 3rd April - Girls football -v-St George's Away.

Wednesday 8th May - Year 6 Boys Football Finals - Finch Farm Thursday 9th May - Boys football -v- Green Park









PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILDREN'S CLOTHING AND PE KIT ARE CLEARLY LABELLED. IT REALLY HELPS US.

## Gallery













#### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

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MONDAY Year 4 – Hi Five Netball/Lego Club if wet – Mr Kane

Infant Dance Club – School Hall – Mrs Boynton – awaiting letters from

**Mrs Boynton** 

Junior Choir - Mrs Thomas

Year 6 SATS - Teachers - starting 22nd April

TUESDAY Year 3, 4 & 5 - Hi Five Netball – Mr Kane & Mr Beenham

Year 2 - Gardening Club - Mrs Johnson - if more than 12 pupils apply,

there will be a waiting list

Year 6 SATS - Teachers - starting 23rd April

WEDNESDAY Year 1 & 2 – Rounders and Ball Games//Lego Club if wet – Active Soccer

Year 3 & 4 Boys Football - Mr Kane

THURSDAY Year 5 & 6 Boys Football – Mr Kane

Junior Dance Club – School Hall – Mrs Boynton – awaiting letters

from Mrs Boynton

FRIDAY Year 3-6 – Junior Girls Football - Mr Kane

Rec, Year 1, Year 2 – Multi-Sports & Football – Active Soccer

#### **PE Davs**

Monday Reception

Tuesday Year 5 & 6

Wednesday Year 2 swimming/PE Year 3 PE

Thursday Year 1

Friday Year 4

Please be aware if Staff and Governors of St John Bosco Catholic Primary School are subjected to any forms of verbal or physical abuse the relevant authorities will be contacted.