Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 5th September

WELCOME BACK

On Wednesday morning, it put a huge smile on all our faces to see all our Year 1 and Year 2 children walking in through our school gates. The children looked so happy and relaxed to be back in school. Thank you to all our parents who made this happen.



This week, we also began welcoming our new reception and nursery children who visited school with their parents. We can't wait to get to know you all.

START AND FINISH TIME REMINDERS

Please try to arrive on the school grounds promptly but not early.

This is so we can ensure social distancing.

These times will be in place until guidance changes.

YEAR 2	Arrival	Departure
Class 4– Mrs Hedley	8.30-8.40	2.30-2.40
Class 3– Mr McManus	8.40-8.50	2.40-2.50
Class 2– Mrs K. Smith	8.50-9.00	2.50-3.00
Class 1– Mrs Jennings	9.00-9.10	3.00-3.10
YEAR 1	Arrival	Departure
Class 8– Mr Barr	8.30-8.40	2.30-2.40
Class 7– Miss Wright	8.40-8.50	2.40-2.50
Class 6– Mrs L. Smith	8.50-9.00	2.50-3.00
Class 5– Mr Nolan	9.00-9.10	3.00-3.10
RECEPTION	Arrival	Departure
Class 12– Mrs Kerr	8.30-8.40	2.30-2.40
Class 11– Mrs Curran	8.40-8.50	2.40-2.50
Class 10– Miss Elias	8.50-9.00	2.50-3.00
Class 9– Mrs Henderson and Mrs Nolan	9.00-9.10	3.00-3.10
	Arrival	Departure
Nursery 2– Miss Hart	8.40-8.50	2.40-2.50
Nursery 1— Mrs Codack/ Mrs Palmer	9.00-9.10	3.00-3.10

KNOWSLEY ATTENDANCE SERVICE HUB

Knowsley Council's School Attendance Service has launched a new Advice Hub to offer guidance to parents and carers. With the new academic year beginning in September parents and carers will be able to discuss any concerns around attendance with the dedicated Advice Hub team.

With many children not stepping into a classroom for over five months, parents and carers may worry about how daunting this may be for their child, but help and support is only a phone call away.

Cllr Margaret Harvey, Knowsley Council Cabinet Member for Children's Services, said: "We understand that parents and carers will possibly need advice and support in relation to their child returning to school over the coming weeks and months. The Advice Hub team are available to offer you friendly advice and support at a time when you need it the most. It is always advisable to try and get support or advice if you have any concerns at the earliest opportunity, rather than let them escalate."

You can contact the Knowsley School Attendance Service Advice Hub on 0151 443 5177. If you leave your name and contact details one of the team will get back to you within 24 hours to offer help and support.

Lord God, bless our school as we enter a new year - may ours be a community of welcome and hope.

Watch over our pupils - so that they grow in **understanding and love**.

Encourage our staff – so that their service reveals your generosity and mercy.
Inspire our leaders – so that their actions show forth your wisdom and justice.
Loving Father, through the Trinity you teach us the importance of relationships, help us work together to accomplish your mission: that all your children may have life to the full.

Amen.

(Mission Together)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS and MESSAGES

- Children should not bring a school bag unless it is absolutely necessary.
- Only one adult should come to school to collect and drop off.
- Please do not pass messages on at the door.
 Please contact the school office via telephone or email.
- Please queue to enter school across the front of the club and around church. Where possible, please stand on a path.
- Please only arrive at the correct time and leave the school grounds quickly.
- P.E will begin soon and will take place outside.
 You may like to place a jumper and a pair of trainers in your child's P.E. bag.
- Please ensure your child brings a labelled water bottle to school each day.

CHANGE TO THE HOLIDAY DATES FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR

PLEASE NOTE THAT MAY HALF TERM HAS BEEN MOVED FORWARD A WEEK.
WE WILL NOW BREAK UP ON **FRIDAY 21ST MAY** AND RETURN TO SCHOOL ON **MONDAY 7TH JUNE.**

SCHOOL SAFETY

Everyone can play their part to ensure our schools are safe environments by:



Arrive at school at the time you've been advised – don't come early as we need to avoid people gathering



Remember to maintain social distancing



If you can't maintain a 2m distance from others, adults should wear a face covering



As soon as your child has been dropped off / picked up safely, please leave the school grounds



Follow the procedures set out by the school as they are there to keep everyone safe



