

St Kentigern's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Autumn 1st Half-Term 2005

Dear Parents,

We are now well into the first half term of another school year. Congratulations to two beautiful brides on the staff who were married during the summer holidays. Mrs. McGrath and Mrs. Campbell have now settled in to married life and we wish them both every happiness for the future.

Mrs. Roddy has taken over from Mrs. Wilde as Inclusion Manager and works with small groups of children every morning. We are

blessed in our school with

wonderful support teachers, Mrs. Heyes supporting literacy in the mornings and delivering ICT in the afternoons, Mrs. Lumby supporting numeracy in the mornings, Mrs. Lapsins supporting literacy and Mrs. Campbell in the afternoons as Dance Teacher. All this is extra support for the children in their learning environment.

The children will also be preparing for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and I ask for your prayers for

them and their families over the coming months.

Welcome also to the new Reception children who are wonderful and who have settled in to the school routine with ease.

Miss. Neish had a baby girl, Rosie last week, weighing 7lbs 10oz. Mother and daughter are doing well...

Congratulations to Karen and Richard on your beautiful new addition who we look forward to meeting.

PTFA

The PTFA works for the benefit of all the children in school. It is made up of parents, staff and friends who form a small committee. The group meets once a month and organises events including discos, fun days and BBQ's. Everyone is welcome to these meetings, as more hands make light work. It is hard work, but lots of fun and is an excellent way of being involved in the school and parish community sharing your gifts and talents with others.

AGM

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 5th October at 7pm in School.

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Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. McGrath and Mr. & Mrs. Campbell!!!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The new stock has arrived. Please leave orders and money in the School Office. New book bags have been ordered and we are expecting them before half-term. This is an excellent way to support school funds as we make a profit on every single item sold.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Letters have been sent out to the Year 3 children for them to register on the Programme this year. If your child is in Year 4,5 or 6 and has not received their First Holy Communion and would like to join, please speak to Mrs O'Donnell or Mrs Wygladala.

Data Collection Sheets

Please can parents return the up-dated sheets to Mrs Winston in the School Office as soon as possible. Health and Safety Rules require us to have at least 3 emergency contact numbers for children in school. Many people change their mobile telephones, please keep the office informed.

NEW ADMISSIONS

RECEPTION CLASS

SEPTEMBER 2006

Forms are available from the School Office for the intake next year. This new form is an addition to the one already completed. You must fill in this new form before 2nd December 2005 and return it to the School Office.

BOOK FAIR

The book fair arrives in school on Wednesday 7th October and books will be available to buy every evening in the gallery between 3.30pm and 4.15pm. Any parents able to help, please see Mrs. Winston in the School Office. A fantastic opportunity to shop early for stocking fillers for Christmas! Last opportunity Tuesday 11th October.

Please support this fair as school receives 60% of the takings in books for school.

NEW GOVERNORS

Welcome to Mrs Janice Cobby our new parent Governor. She will serve a 4 year term of office. Mark, her son is in Y4.

Mr Lindsay Oram is a new foundation governor for the school, he too will serve a four year term of office. He has two sons in school, Oliver in Y2 and Harry in Reception.

I welcome them both to the Governing Body and look forward to working with them to continue to improve our school in all areas.

HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

All forms have been given out to request a place at high school for 2006 to Y6 parents. Please complete this form and return to school before Thursday 20th October.

High Schools in Blackpool are having their open evenings on various dates, St. Mary's Catholic College are holding their open evening for Y6 parents and children on Monday 3rd October from 7pm

If forms are not returned a high school with vacancies will be allocated—NOT St. Mary's, which is always over subscribed.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This year at the request of parents the service will be held at 2.30pm on Thursday 6th October in Church

Please send your child in with a tin, dried pasta, rice or fresh produce on the day.

The contributions will be split between the SVP who will distribute the food to the needy of the Parish, Vincent House who work with the homeless in the community and CAFOD who work overseas.

Parents and friends are very welcome to attend and give thanks for the harvest from the earth and sea.



Please collect the token from the boxes. They help school to buy arts and craft resources. We have a fantastic amount of tokens to exchange for art equipment. Please continue to send them in.

NESTLE CEREAL

We have started the new collection from Nestle Cereals. These cereals contain wholegrain which are a healthy addition to your daily diet. Please send the tokens in to school. They help buy new books for the library.

Please collect the vouchers from Tesco and bring them in to school. One given for every £10 spent. They will help the children benefit from sports equipment and training sessions.

10.15am Y5 Class Assembly

6.30pm PTFA Spooky Disco in the Hall

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 5th October

3.35pm Book Fair in School to Tuesday 11th October

7pm Y3 Sacramental Preparation in School for children and parents

8pm PTFA Annual General Meeting in Y2 All Welcome

Thursday 6th October

9.15am Y6 to Central Library for a poetry workshop

2.30pm Harvest Festival in Church

Monday 10th October

Last chance to order school photographs from the proofs sent out to all children

Friday 14th October

LITERACY WEEK

Monday 17th October

Author Bob Wilson in school all day working with groups of children

Tuesday 18th October

Spellbinder Theatre in school

KS2am, KS1 pm

Wednesday 19th October

Storyteller—Pete Keal in school all day

Thursday 20th October

Dress as a book character day

Whole School cinema visit to see Shark Tale

3.30pm Break up for half-term

Monday 31st October

8.45am School reopens after the half-term holidays

Tuesday 1st November

10.15am Whole School to Mass All Saints feast day

Friday 4th November

10.15am Y1 Class Assembly

Tuesday 8th November

4-7pm Consultations Evening for all parents in school

Tuesday 8th November

10.15am Y2 Class Mass