



# St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2019



**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

## **WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL**

Welcome back to school. We hope that everyone had a very restful Whitsun break and that one and all are looking forward to a successful final half-term in school.

## **SAINT RICHARD'S FEAST DAY**

Saint Richard of Chichester's Feast Day (usually celebrated on 16<sup>th</sup> June each year) will be celebrated in school on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Pupils will enjoy an ice lolly as a special treat on our patron saint's feast day.

## **PHONICS SCREENING CHECK**

Well done to all our Year One pupils and staff who worked so hard to prepare for and undertake the Year One Phonics Screening Check this week. A super effort all round.

## **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME MASS**

Our First Holy Communion Celebration Mass will take place on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June in St Richard's Church at 11am. There will be a group photograph afterwards and a Holy Communion Breakfast in school after that. All children who made their First Holy Communion before half-term should attend wearing First Communion clothes & their communion medal.

## **HEALTHY EATING WEEK**

We had healthy menus and healthy eating poster competitions in school this week to help promote Healthy eating. The three winning menus will be cooked by the catering team in school next week. Many thanks to everyone involved.

## **FUTURE COPIES OF THIS NEWSLETTER**

From now on, we will be writing a newsletter to parents and carers every Thursday of term time. The aim is to keep everyone as informed as possible about events in school. It is vitally important that parents receive and read the newsletter every week. However, in the interests of the environment (and costs to school) next week's version will be the last newsletter sent out with all pupils in paper form. We would like to send out the newsletter to your preferred email. Please provide this on the slip below.

If you do not provide an email address in order to receive the newsletter, then it can be accessed on the school's website every Thursday. A small number of paper copies will be available in the school office after school on Thursdays - but parents will have to come in to request a paper copy on a weekly basis.

### **Receiving the St Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter by Email**

I consent to school using my email address in order to send me a copy of the newsletter each week of term.

Name of parent: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) and class(es) of pupils in school:  
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Preferred email address:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature:  
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## **PARISH SUMMER FAIR CHANGE OF DATE**

The revised date for our parish Summer fair is Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June from noon. Please do all that you can to support the fair on the day and in advance (please see below).

## **NON-UNIFORM DAY TOMORROW**

As a letter to all parents earlier in the week explained, sensible non-uniform may be worn on Friday 14<sup>th</sup>, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June in return for donations (£1 this week) for the Summer Fair.

## **DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE ASTHMA?**

To ensure all our medical records are up to date, parents are asked to inform the school in writing of any changes to their child's health throughout the year. Also, we are currently updating our asthma care plans and emergency inhaler consent list. If your child has an inhaler in school and you have not returned the legally required parental consent form, please do so, as soon as possible, to your child's class teacher.

## **FAKE ST RICHARDS'S FACEBOOK PAGE**

It has come to our attention that a fake Facebook page purporting to belong to our school is accessible on the internet and that parents have even uploaded photos of their children onto this site. We do not have a Facebook page and parents should have nothing to do with this page in the (hopefully brief) time which it remains accessible.

## **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Your child had their class photograph taken this week. We no longer have individual pupil photos taken in school. Whilst we understand that this may disappoint some parents, low uptake for purchasing photos meant that this became no longer cost effective. Parents are still free to take their child (in school uniform, after school) to a professional photographer (eg - Max Spielman, etc.) to have an individual picture taken.

## **CHANGES TO HOW PUPILS AND PARENTS/CARERS GAIN ACCESS TO ST RICHARD'S EACH MORNING**

From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 onwards, pupils and parents/carers will no longer be able to enter the school site before 8.30am. Pupils attending Breakfast Club will be able to enter school between 8am and 8.15am but only via the main gate on Wilpshire Avenue.

## **RESPONDING TO THE NEWSLETTER**

We are always happy to receive comments, observations or suggestions about the newsletter or any aspect of school life in general. Any such comments will be read and considered. These can be emailed to:-  
[comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk)

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	11am First Holy Communion Mass and Breakfast
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Fathers' Day
w/c Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Test Week for Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5
w/c Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	New Nursery intake meetings for parents and carers (Monday – Wednesday at 2.45pm)
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	St Richard's Parish Summer Fair (from noon)

With many thanks for all your continuing support,

*Mr J Murray*

Headteacher  
St Richard's RC Primary School