St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2022

BELATED HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

With sincere apologies for omitting this from last week's newsletter, I would like to wish belated 'Happy Father's Day' to all the dads and other adults who take on the role of being a dad to any of the children who attend our school. I hope you all enjoyed last Sunday. Your involvement and support of your children is vital and is much appreciated by many people.

WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

The Wednesday Word team continue to support families with free online editions of the Wednesday Word. These are available every Wednesday by visiting <u>https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-</u> <u>word/choices?pid=MTA101634&v=63.4</u> This week, the Wednesday Word is back to its usual format and this week's Wednesday Word is **CHOICES**.

REMINDER ABOUT CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

There are some indications that COVID-19 rates may be on the rise again. Whilst we hope that this is not the case, parents should visit our current risk assessment at <u>https://st-richards.manchester.sch.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2022/04/April-2022-Whole-School-</u> <u>COVID-19-Risk-Assessment.pdf</u> for full details. In summary, parents should be aware that:

Children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can come back to school when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

Children who test positive for COVID-19 should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 3 days, which is when they are most infectious. They can come back to school when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD TO READ DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

This is just early notification that this year's theme for the Summer Reading Challenge is 'Gadgeteers'. The challenge will launch on 4th July and will run until 17th September. Children can join the challenge at a local library from this date. The Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to encourage reading for pleasure over the summer holidays, building reading skills and confidence, and helping to prevent the 'dip' in reading skills while children are out of school. Please take a look at <u>www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk</u> for further details. Thursday 23rd June 2022

SUN PROTECTION IN WARM WEATHER

Please ensure that your child is provided with effective protection from the sun in the event of hot weather between now and school breaking up for the summer holidays.

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

Manchester University are holding a free, familyfriendly community festival this coming Saturday 25th June from 11am – 4pm. There will be live experiments, interactive demonstrations, musical and dramatic performances and workshops – as well as free face-painting, sporting challenges and a climbing wall. Full details are available at www.manchester.ac.uk/communityfestival

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: <u>comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk</u>

NO DRIVE-BY PICK UPS OR DROP-OFFS PLEASE

No matter how insistent parents are, staff at St Richard's will not dismiss pupils towards cars of parents driving by school at the end of the day. This applies to Wilpshire Avenue, Sutcliffe Avenue and to Norton Avenue. Parents should park safely and considerately and in good time to receive their children in person and on foot or to wait for them in their parked up vehicle (if parents deem that their child is old enough). The Highway Code states that yellow zig-zag lines outside schools indicate the length of road where parking, stopping or waiting is <u>strictly prohibited</u>. In addition, please do NOT park across the barriers of the staff car park. Many thanks in advance.

RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER EVERY THURSDAY

The newsletter is only occasionally sent out as a paper copy. It is usually sent out as an email and posted on our school website every Thursday afternoon. If you don't already receive the weekly newsletter by email every Thursday afternoon then please just send your preferred email address to <u>comments@st-</u> <u>richards.manchester.sch.uk</u> and request that you be added to the mailing list.

With many thanks for your continuing support and best wishes,

Mr J Murray

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