



# St. Richard's RC Primary Summer Term Newsletter



Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024

The mission of St Richard's is that we know, love and follow Christ by looking after each other and trying our best every day.

## TODAY IS THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Today, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May, Christians around the world mark The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. For 40 days after His resurrection on Easter Sunday, the Gospels tell us that Jesus travelled and preached with his apostles, preparing them for his departure from Earth. The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord marks the moment Jesus literally ascended into heaven in front of his disciples at the village of Bethany, near Jerusalem.



## YEAR 6 SATS DATES 2024

Year 6 KS2 SATs will take place next week, between Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024. During KS2 SATs week, pupils will sit 6 different tests and it is vitally important that they are in school for all of these tests and are ready to do their very best. The children and all the Year 6 staff have worked incredibly hard in preparation for the SATS and we wish all of Year 6 the very best for next week.

## PROTECTING YOUR CHILD FROM THE SUN

This is a reminder for when the weather is hot and sunny: Please provide your child with effective protection from the sun. You should apply sun cream to your child before you bring them to school. On a particularly hot day if you feel they may need a top up, this will not be applied by staff in school although they will assist your child if necessary.

## WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

Please share the joy of the Wednesday Word as a family this week by visiting [Care - Magazine - Page 1 \(paperturn-view.com\)](#) This week's Wednesday Word is **CARE**

## WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

We continue to signpost parents to National Online Safety's free online safety guides for parents and carers. This campaign is called '#WakeUp Wednesday'. At St Richard's this means that we provide an almost weekly link to a different e-safety issue so that parents and children are better informed and able to make better choices about their internet use. This week's guide is a really useful read all about **OFCOM's Media Report 2024** which can be viewed by clicking [here](#)

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME MEETING TONIGHT 6PM

The final Sacramental Programme meeting is this evening **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May** in school, starting at 6pm. As this meeting is the main preparation for your child to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on the following Thursday (16<sup>th</sup> May) or the Thursday after (23<sup>rd</sup> May), it is very important that both you and your child are present this evening. Please remember to pray for all our children and their families who are on the Sacramental Programme at this time.

## NON-UNIFORM FOR UN DAY OF CULTURAL DIVERSITY

This is advance notice that on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** we will be celebrating UN Day of Cultural Diversity at St Richard's. We will be marking the occasion – and acknowledging our school's amazing diversity – by encouraging all our pupils (and staff) to come to school on that day in either their national costume/dress, or in national colours. All clothing and shoes must be sensible and appropriate for a day at school. There is no cost for this non-uniform celebration.

## CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES

Below are details of class assemblies which are coming up this term. They begin at 9am in the main school hall. Parents are very welcome to attend their child(ren)'s class assembly.

Date	Class assembly for:
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception 1

## YEAR ONE'S FRESHWATER THEATRE WORKSHOPS

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, both our Year One Classes (Class 1 and Class 2) were invited to Freshwater Theatre's 'Magical Toyshop' workshop. Yohamin in Class 2 reports, "I learned that most old toys were made out of wood and that newer toys are usually made out of plastic. I liked it when we were turned into robots and had to move around pretending to be robots. It was a great day!"

## RECEIVING THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

It is vitally important that parents receive and read the newsletter every week so that you know what's going on at St Richard's. The newsletter is only very occasionally sent out as a paper copy. The latest version of the weekly newsletter can be accessed on the school's website every Thursday afternoon. We are happy to email the newsletter to parents every week if they request this service. If you are not currently receiving the newsletter each week but wish to receive the newsletter every Thursday by email, then simply send:

1. Your full name
2. Name(s) and class(es) of your child(ren) at our school
3. Preferred email address
4. The message 'I consent to school using my email address in order to send me a copy of the newsletter each week of term'.

to [comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk) and you will be added to the mailing list.

## RESPONDING TO THE NEWSLETTER

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

With many thanks for your continuing support

*Mr J Murray*

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