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Our Lady Queen of Peace RC Primary School Newsletter

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Celebrating Success

Once again we have lots to celebrate with the achievements of many of our pupils. SATs are now over and we are delighted that our Year 2 and Year 6 children have worked hard, had high aspirations and have achieved their best. Congratulations to you all.

We have received wonderful news about Isaac Dodd, our Year 4 athlete, who is now ranked in the top ten nationally for his age group in tumbling. This is a remarkable achievement which has not come without hard work, determination and perseverance. Well done Isaac; we are so proud of you. We hope your broken arm heals so you can get back to training quickly as our money is on you for the 2024 Olympics!

Congratulations to our Year 6 children who have completed SafetyWorks training and are currently undertaking the Bikeability award. They really are increasing their independence and getting ready for the next phase in their lives.

Staffing

I am thrilled to tell you that Mrs Ludford was recently appointed as School Bursar. She will manage all office responsibilities and finances and, I know, is a valued "first point of call" for any queries. I am also delighted to inform you that Miss Hannah Mitchell has been appointed as our Parish Children's Ministry Co-

ordinator. This is a new role and the first of its kind in our diocese. Hannah will work with children in the four parish primary schools and will also spend time doing parish work. This is a marvellous opportunity for all schools and families to work together and has exciting potential. We will share more about this in the new term.

Classes for Next Year

Classes for next year will be organised as follows:

Einstein	YN	Mrs Brown
Goldsworthy	YR	Mrs Duncan Mrs Young Mrs Cresswell Mrs Smith Mrs Pike
Constable	Y1/2	Mrs Fraser
Mondrian	Y1/2	Mrs Elder
Rousseau	Y1/2	Mrs Lamond
Key Stage 1 classes will be supported by Miss Christie, Mrs Edwards and Mrs Kennedy		
Kandinsky	Y3	Mrs Fish
Seurat	Y3	Miss Addison
Picasso	Y4	Mrs Swales
Dali	Y5	Miss Askew
Lower KS2 classes will be supported by Mrs Merrington, Mrs Moore and Mrs Richardson		
Potter	Y6	Mrs Gettins Mrs Scott

Parents of children in KS1 and Y3 have now been informed about their child's teacher for next year. Please contact the school office if you are still unsure.

Family Day Out

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the visit to Lindisfarne. Special thanks to Fr Mark and those who helped with Mass; it was a wonderful, relaxed experience which set the tone for the day. Around

100 people made the trip, which was an incredible response. We have had great feedback and lots of requests to repeat the day next year, so watch this space!

Menu

The new school menu will be appearing on the website shortly. The school meal provider has raised the price to £2 per day. The funding for school meals for KS1 children continues but please may I remind you that if you are in receipt of benefits you may be entitled for free meals and the school will receive financial support for your child? Please ask Mrs Ludford for the relevant forms.

Breakfast Club

After a review of Breakfast Club we hope to continue to offer the flexible provision already in place. The parent of each child attending Breakfast Club must complete and sign a registration form, however. These will be available from September. Due to increased costs, there will be an increased charge of £3 per day. May I remind you that children MUST NOT be left in school before 8am as staff are unavailable to care for them until this time.

Congratulations to Our Brides

We wish Miss Caldwell and Miss Robson well for their upcoming weddings. Miss Caldwell will marry Mr Duane Gettins on Thursday 4 August in her home town and Miss Robson will be marrying Mr Stephen Elder on Saturday 6 August. We know they will

both be beautiful brides and we wish them well for the day and for the many years of married life ahead of them. Please keep the new couples in your prayers.

Building Work

Hopefully I will stop having to mention building work shortly! After another challenging time we are currently on track for some of the new building to be ready for September. At the moment 255 children have been moved from their classrooms, most unexpectedly, to facilitate the build. We expect that Years 5 and 6 will be in their new rooms and that the new entrance will be open for the new term. A problem with the roof on the older part of the school has delayed some work, but we remain hopeful that EYFS and KS1 children will be in their new rooms for September. Final work is to be completed by November.

And Finally....

I will be out of school for the remainder of the term as I am going into hospital. I expect to return in September but am very sad that I will not be able to take part in the end of year celebrations. I wish you all well for the summer and hope you have a chance to rest well and enjoy quality time as families.

Recommended Reading

EYFS: We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury

KS1: Mr Stink

David Walliams and Quentin Blake



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KS2: Noughts & Crosses

Malorie Blackman

Adults: Mindsets for Parents: Strategies to Encourage Growth Mindsets in Kids

Mary Cay Ricci and Margaret Lee

*and learn to live together in
harmony.*

*We ask this in your name,
Lord.
Amen*

Dates for Your Diary

Friday morning liturgies:

8 July Constable
15 July Mondrian
19 July, 9.30am Leaver's Mass
20 July, 9.15am Potter liturgy
Dates for the new term will be
shared in September.

Weekend Mass Times

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church

Sunday: 10am

Our Blessed Lady Immaculate Church

Sunday: 11am
6pm

St Bede's Church

Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 8.30am

St John Boste Church

Sunday: 9.30am

Prayer for July during the Year of Mercy:

We pray for our families.

*Lord Jesus,
we know you grew up in a
loving family
with Mary and Joseph as your
parents.*

*Help us to follow your
example.*

*Bless our families and keep us
safe.*

*Help us to be gentle, kind and
caring to each other
and to be peacemakers in our
own homes.*

*Help us to treat each other
with respect*