



St. John's CE Primary School

NEWSLETTER

May 2018



TERM TIME HOLIDAY

We'd like to just reaffirm the school's position on term time holidays, as set out in our attendance policy, which has been guided by Oldham LA's stance on term time holidays. This policy, as with all policies, is available to view on the school website, or available from the school office. **We are not in a position to authorise any term time holidays, except for truly exceptional and unavoidable circumstances, such as a family funeral.** Any term-time holidays that last longer than 10 sessions (5 days), will be passed on to the Oldham LA and could be subject to a warning letter and/or fine.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

It has been brought to our attention that some parents / carers are bringing dogs onto the school playground when they are dropping off and collecting children. Whilst we realise it might be inconvenient to leave your dog at home, we have to ensure that the children on the playground are safe, so could we please ask that dogs are not brought on to school premises. Could we also ask that if younger children do bring scooters or bikes when they are picking up older brothers or sisters, that they do not ride them on the playground, as this too could cause an accident.

UNIFORM

Could we please take this opportunity to remind parents about the St. John's School uniform, and in particular the requirements of footwear to be all black. If children want to wear trainers for football at dinner times that is fine, but we do ask that they have plain black shoes for in school.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11th June – Crucial Crew Trip – Y6
- 11th June – Phonics Week – Y1
- 13th – 22nd June – Various Y5 High School Taster Sessions
- 18th June – 'Creativity Week' related to the World Cup Countries
- 18th June – Assessment Week (am only)
- 19th June – Music Festival – Y2
- 20th June – Oldham Theatre Group – Y6
- 21st June – Sponsored Walk – KS2
- 22nd June – East Lancashire Railway Trip – C1
- 27th June – Attendance Panel Meetings
- 27th & 28th June – British Values Days
- 29th June – Heaton Park Trip – Y1 & Y2
- 2nd July – Sponsored Walk – KS1
- 4th July – Transition Day – ALL
- 5th July – Transition Day 2 – Selected Y6 High Schools
- 5th July – Halle Trip – C2
- 9th July – Music Celebration Assembly @ 9:15 – KS2
- 9th July – Sports Day – KS2
- 11th July – Sports Activity Morning – KS1
- 12th July – Library Trip – Emerald
- 12th July – Summer Fair – KS2
- 13th July – End of Year Reports / KS2 SATs Scores sent home
- 17th July – Beach Day – KS1
- 18th July @ 2:30 – Moving On Assembly – KS1
- 19th July @ 9:15 – Leavers' Service – KS2
- 19th July – School Closes for Summer
- 4th Sept – School Reopens for Autumn

SUN CREAM

As the weather is getting warmer, could we please ask that children either have sun cream with them, or have it applied before school so that they can go out at dinner and playtimes. Although there are shaded areas on both playgrounds, children are always keen to play football or games where there isn't any shade and we want to ensure their safety in the sunnier weather we're currently experiencing.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Information about the school, including important up-coming dates and events will be on the school's website, which can be found at www.stjohns.oldham.sch.uk . Copies of this letter and any other 'whole school' letters can be found on there. Copies of any class, or year group specific letters, can be obtained from the relevant school office, or the class teacher. We are currently updating a large number of our policies and these can also be found on the school website.

For further information, contact the relevant sites: 0161-681-5270 (EYFS/KS1) or 0161-681-5713 (KS2). You can visit the school website at www.stjohns.oldham.sch.uk, which contains the Infant site blogs. Thank you for your continued support.

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