

# St Pius X Catholic Primary School

& Little Lambs Nursery



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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Key Dates	Extra-Curricular Clubs	VIPs																
19 Oct – Confirmation Mass @ Church @ 7	Mon -Limitless Dance (Rec-Y2)	Rec – Ali																
19 Oct – Half-term Begins @ 3.15	-School Council 12.30-1	Y1 – Brooklyn																
22-26 Oct – HALF-TERM	Tues -Art (Rec-Y2) 10 max.	Y2 – Cooper																
29 Oct – Back to School	-Craft (Y3&4) 10 max.	Y3 – Maximus																
29 Oct – Half-term Challenges Return Date	-Lego (Y3-6) 12.30-1	Y4 – Finlay F																
29 Oct – Quick Sticks Hockey 9.30 – Noon	-Reading (Y6 Group)	Y5 – Samuel																
30 Oct – Baby & Toddler	-Mathematics (Y6 Group x 2)	Y6 – Mia																
30 Oct – Parent Voice @ 5.30	-Gymnastics (Y3&4)																	
1 Nov – Whole School Mass @ School @ 10.45	Wed -Football (Y3-6)	<b>Marvellous Merit</b>																
1 Nov – Hearing Test for Rec Class	-Netball (Y4-6)	Marshall Y3																
1 Nov – Friends of St Pius 3.30pm.	-Band (Y4-6)																	
2 Nov – Y6 Mass @ Church @ 9.30	-Drama (Y3&4) 12.30-1	<b>House Champions</b>																
4 Nov – Mass @ Church @ 11	-Instrument (1:1) 12-12.20	This week’s house champions were St Patrick’s																
6 Nov – Baby & Toddler	-Instrument (Y4-Y6) 12.20-1	St P= 2, St A=2, St G=2, St D=1																
6 Nov – Bag 2 School Collection	Thurs -Choir (Y3-6) 12.30-1																	
6 Nov – Parents’ Evening	-STEM (Y3-6) 10 max.																	
7 Nov – Parents’ Evening	-Sports Hall Athletics @ St Bernard’s (Y3-6 invitation)																	
9 Nov – Y6 & Y1 Mass @ School	Fri -NO CLUBS																	
11 Nov – Whole School Mass @ 11																		
15 Nov – Y1 Assembly @ 9.15																		
15 Nov – Cluster After School Club																		
16 Nov – Y6 Cluster Mass @ Church 10am																		
20 Nov – Baby & Toddler																		
22 Nov – Sports Hall Games 1-3pm																		
30 Nov – Non-uniform (Raffle Prizes)																		
9 Dec – Mass @ Church @ 11																		
14 Dec – Christmas Family Night @ 6.30																		
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Red = added or altered since previous newsletter

Strike out = cancelled

## Sent home this week:

- Wednesday Word
- Blue Bags

## ClassDojo

We only have three or four families left in school that need to sign up for ClassDojo. Please sign up.

### Gymnastics

Please note that gymnastics club for Years 1 & 2 has now finished. The club will be open to Years 3 & 4 after half-term. Please sign up at the School Office.

### Brighten Up Day

It was lovely to see such a bright school today. We raised £131 For CAFOD. Thank you for your donations.

### MacMillan Coffee Morning

The winner of 'Guess how long our veggie roll is' was Mr McGoldrick with the correct answer of 49cm.

### Homework

Weekly spellings and learn its homework have not been sent out by all classes this week due to printing issues. We apologise for this issue – we're sure the children will be pleased.

### Non-Uniform

We will be holding a non-uniform on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November**. We ask for raffle and tombola prizes for our Christmas Fayre and Christmas Family Night.

### Half-term Challenges

This half-term we are setting two challenges. Each child that submits a completed challenge to Mr McGoldrick will receive 5 dojo points and their name will be placed into a hat to win a £10 voucher. Start getting creative and feel free to post your end products on our social media pages. Challenges should be returned by **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October**. The challenges are:

1.

Our new library is nearly complete but we want children's work. Therefore, we would like children to create a reading jungle animal to hang from our new library ceiling. The jungle animal should be holding your child's favourite book. See the photo below for an example.



2.

This year the Catholic Church is celebrating the Year of the Eucharist. We would like the children to create a piece of artwork based on the Eucharist. There are loads of ideas if you do an internet search for 'Eucharist artwork for children'. The artwork should be no bigger than A4 in size. The artwork will be used to create a display in our school hall.

### School Trips & Residential

Deposits for school trips were required today. If the deposit has not been made and no contact has been made with school we will assume your child will not be attending their school trip or residential. Please remember you can continue paying as often as you like as long as the total is paid before the date in the letters.

### Football Coach

We are looking to split our football club into two groups: Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6. Ideally we need one more volunteer Football Coach. Contact the School Office if you're able to help out.

### Guitar Club

Unfortunately, Cumbria Music Service are unable to offer a lunch time or after school guitar club this year. We have requested one for the next academic year. Hopefully, they can find us a slot.

### **Bag2School**

Bags were sent home with your child this week. Recycle your old clothes and help raise money for school. We get money per kg of clothing weighed. Extra bags can be collected from the School Office. Please find a list of what is and is not accepted.

We accept the following '**good quality**' items for RE-USE:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

We **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

### **Whole School Mass on Sundays**

**Reminder:** We will be holding whole school Masses half-termly on a Sunday at St Mary's Church. Our children will help organise and minister the mass. The dates for the Autumn term are **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November** and **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December**, both at **11am**. We hope to see lots of families at the masses supporting our school.

### **Parking**

**Reminder:** We have recently been reminded that people should not be parking on 'Ladybird Lane'. This is an access only road. We appreciate parking around school is difficult but please take on board the above message.

### **IT Acceptable Use Policy**

**Reminder:** Schools in our Catholic Cluster have all decided to adopt one IT Acceptable Use policy. I wanted to bring a few key points to your attention. Please note that due to the paragraphs below staff have been told to remove parents/carers or pupils they are friends with on their personal social media platforms. Parents are also reminded not to message staff on the social media platforms. Instead:

- Send them a personal message using ClassDojo or
- Send them an email.

Staff have been told not to respond to any messages on their personal social media platforms. These will be ignored.

### ***Guidance for staff on preventing and responding to negative comments on social media***

*The school should regularly reinforce with all parties that discussion of school issues on social media platforms, either positive or negative, should not take place as this could bring the school into disrepute and affect families and children. Parents should be encouraged to be good online role models and not post statements written in anger or frustration. Identified routes to raise concerns directly with the school should be used.*

### ***Online safety policy guide - Summary of key parent/carer responsibilities***

*The school provides online safety information for parents/carers, through the website, in newsletters and at events. It is important that parents/carers understand their key role in supporting children to behave appropriately and keep themselves safe online.*

*The online safety policy, supported by its acceptable use agreements, is intended to protect the interests and safety of the whole school community.*

- *Parents/carers are required to support their child in understanding and signing the Online Safety Acceptable Use Agreement for pupils.*
- *Parents/carers may only use personal mobile phones and devices in designated areas of the school unless otherwise informed, e.g. for specific events and activities. Under no circumstance should images be taken at any time on school premises that include anyone other than their own child, unless there is a pre-specified agreement with individuals and parents/carers. When a parent/carer is on school premises but not in a designated area, their phone/s must be switched off and out of sight.*
- *Parents/carers should not assume that pupils can bring technological devices to school and should always check the school policy.*
- *All cyberbullying incidents affecting children in the school should be reported immediately. (If the incident involves an indecent image of a child the report must also be made immediately to the police for your own protection.) The school will investigate and respond to all reported cyberbullying incidents, liaising with others where appropriate. No reply should ever be sent to the sender/poster of cyberbullying content. If applicable block the sender and report abuse to the site. Evidence should be retained and shown in school and/or to the police. Evidence should not be forwarded.*
- *The school may choose to set up social media sites, blogs or have some other online presence in its own name. Parents/carers, however, do not have the right to set up any site, page, chat group or any other online presence that uses the school name or logo in any form.*
- *Any parent/carer, distressed or concerned about an aspect of school should make immediate contact with a member of staff rather than posting their concerns online. Parents/carers should not share school related information or images online or post material that may bring the school or any individual within it into disrepute. Negative postings about the school would impact on the reputation of the whole school community. Parents/carers are encouraged to report breaches so that we can protect the reputation of the school, staff, pupils and parents/carers.*

*Please see the full online safety policy in the policies section on the school website.*

### **Social Networking**

*I understand the need to separate my professional role from my private friendships; in my professional capacity I will not become 'friends' with parents/carers or pupils on social networks. Where my school role is my only connection to an individual, private online contact is unacceptable with parents/carers or pupils. When using social networking for personal use I will ensure my settings are not public. My private account postings will never undermine or disparage the school, its staff, governors, parents/carers or pupils. Privileged information must remain confidential.*

### **Parental Survey**

**Reminder:** Thank you for taking the time to complete the parental survey. Results and responses can be found on our website <http://stpiusx.schooljotter2.com/our-school/parental-survey>.

### **Christmas Family Night**

**Reminder:** There will be a Christmas Family Night on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December** from **6.30pm**. Tickets are £2.50 per child and £1 per adult and are available via the School Office or Miss Matthews. Bring your own drink but please remember you are responsible for your own children. Food and treats will be on sale during the night.

### **Christmas Performance**

**Reminder:** This year's Christmas Performance will take place at St Mary's Church on **5<sup>th</sup> December 2018** at 2.30pm and 5.30pm. Children should be collected from church at approx. 6.30pm. Staff will supervise children between the performances at the Parish Centre on Nelson Street. Children are asked to bring a packed tea.

### **Parents' Evening**

**Reminder:** The dates for parents' evening this term are **6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> November from 3.30pm**. Please sign up by popping in or calling the School Office.

### **Come and Learn Afternoon**

**Reminder:** Our Come and Learn afternoon will take place on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November from 1.30pm to 3pm**. We hope someone from each family can make it.

### **Boxes of Hope**

**Reminder:** We will once again be taking part in the Boxes of Hope shoebox campaign. For more information please visit [www.boxesofhopecumbria.co.uk](http://www.boxesofhopecumbria.co.uk). Boxes will be collected from school the week beginning **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November**.