

St Pius X Catholic Primary School

& Little Lambs Nursery



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Key Dates

17 Jun – Friends of St Pius X @ 14.15
17 Jun – Eucharistic Adoration and Corpus Christi Procession @ 13.30
17 Jun – London Consent Form Deadline
 18 Jun – Baby & Toddler Group @ 9-11
~~18 Jun – Furness Voices (Y4)~~
 18 Jun – Drug & Alcohol Talk (Y6)
19 Jun – Furness Voices (Y4)
~~20 Jun – Y6 Assembly @ 9.15~~
 21 Jun – Y4 Mass @ Church @ 9.30
 21 Jun – Celebration Assembly @ 14.45
 24-28 Jun – Assessment Week
 25 Jun – Y3 Waterpark Trip
 25 Jun – Baby & Toddler Group @ 9-11
 26 Jun – Y6 Puberty Talk
 27 Jun – Y2 Assembly @ 9.15
 28 Jun – Y6 & Rec Mass @ School @ 9.30
 28 Jun – Celebration Assembly @ 14.45
 01 Jul – Move Up Day
 01-02 July – Y6 at Secondary Schools
 02 Jul – Y4 Manchester Trip
 02 Jul – Baby & Toddler Group @ 9-11
 03-05 Jul – Y6 London Residential
 04 Jul – Y1 Assembly @ 9.15
 05 Jul – Y3&4 Mass @ School @ 9.30
 05 Jul – Celebration Assembly @ 14.45
 08 Jul – Non-uniform (Raffle Prizes)
 09 Jul – Y1&2 Greenland's Farm Trip
 09 Jul – Leaver's Assembly @ 14.00
 11 Jul – Rec Assembly @ 9.15
 11 Jul – Y6 Award Ceremony @ 18.00
 12 Jul – Whole School Mass @ 9.30
 12 Jul – Summer Fayre @ 13.30-16.00
 12 Jul – Pius Calling @ 17.00-9.30
 12 Jul – Camp Deadline
 15-17 Jul – Y6 Cyclewise
 16 Jul – Nur & Rec Lakeland Wildlife Oasis Trip
 16 Jul – Baby & Toddler Group (Teddy Bears' Picnic) @ 9-11
 18 Jul – Nursery Graduation @ ~~9.00~~ **9.15**
 18 Jul – School Camp @ 17.00
 19 Jul – End of Term @ 13.30

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Mon -School Council 12.30-1
 -Barrow Community Sports (Rec-Y2)
 -Running Club (Y3-6)
 Tues -Art & Craft (Rec-Y4) 20 max.
 -Lego League (Y5 group) 12.30-1
 Wed -Football (Y3-6)
 -Band (Y4-6)
 -Instrument (1:1) 12-12.20
 -Instrument (Y4-Y6) 12.20-1
 Thurs -Choir (Y3-6) 12.30-1
 -Lego League (Y5 group)
 -Ball Skills (**Rec-Y2**)
 Fri -

Red = added or altered since previous newsletter

Strike out = cancelled

VIPs

Y5 – Jack B

Marvellous Merit

Skyla Y2

House Champions

This week's house champions were

St David's & St Patrick's

St P=5, St A=3, St G=0, St D=5

Attendance

Reception	90.43
Year 1	94.29
Year 2	89.0
Year 3	96.96
Year 4	94.5
Year 5	96.3
Year 6	96.8
Whole School	94.65

Sent home this week:

- Wednesday Word

Weekly Challenge

This week's challenge is to create a poster to advertise Pius Calling. This must be done on A4 paper or card. The winning poster will be made into a promotional poster and will win two free tickets for the event. The deadline for entries is **9am on Friday 21st June**. Children will receive 5 ClassDojo points and a Merit Certificate for completing the challenge. Challenge entries must be handed into the School Office.

Reports

Reminder: From today (**14th June**) reports are available from your child's teacher at the end of each day. Due to GDPR (data protection) we are unable to send reports home with children.

Junior Sports' Day

We managed to finish off the junior sports' day this week. Congratulations to **St David's** for being victorious as the Junior Sports' Day Champions – an extra tally has been added above.

Year 6 Assembly

Year 6 have had a very busy few weeks and another busy week next week. They are visiting the Fire Station to take part in the Young Citizens Scheme on Thursday. This clashes with their planned class assembly. Therefore, the assembly have been cancelled. This will not be rescheduled due to the leavers assembly coming up in a few weeks.

Attendance

Last week our whole school attendance dropped to 91% - the lowest figure all year. School attendance and individual pupil attendance should be 95% or above. Attendance for the whole year is currently 94.79%. Please ensure your child attends regularly for the remainder of the term. If we do not get this figure back above 95% it will reflect badly in our next Ofsted inspection.

Social Media & Open Door Policy

Please can we request that if you have any issues, no matter how big or small, with school that you come in and talk to us about it. After all, we are the ones that can sort it out. We like to work alongside our parents. Voicing concerns or gripes over social media isn't appropriate, which is something you agreed and signed as part of the Home-School Agreement (see below). We find that most issues are due to hear say or misunderstandings and can be easily resolved. Social media posts or conversations are often relayed back to us, which is very disappointing when we are working hard to improve St Pius X and provide the best possible education for your children.

- consider the implications of posting inappropriate or defamatory details on Social Network sites and the detrimental effect inappropriate comments can have on individuals and the school as a whole;

Friends of St Pius X

You may have noticed that there was no refreshment stall at sports' day. This is simply because we don't have enough volunteers or members of the Friends of St Pius X. We need you! Please come to our next meeting on **Monday 17th June @2.15pm**.

Sports' Day Raffle

The sports' day raffle raised £108. Thank you!

Eucharistic Adoration & Corpus Christi Procession

As part of the Year of the Eucharist, on **Monday 17th June at 1.30pm**, we will be hold a Eucharistic Adoration service, followed by a Corpus Christi Procession. Family members and the school community are invited to attend.

Confirmation Preparation

The first Confirmation preparation class, for the current Year 6, will take place on **Wednesday 19th June at 6.30pm**. If you wish for your child to be Confirmed, you must attend the classes.

Bag2School Collection

The Bag2School collection raised £164. Thank you! The next collection will be in the Autumn term.

Parish Uniform Scheme

The Parish are offering to help families in need to purchase new school uniforms for our pupils, ready the new academic year. Please see Mr McGoldrick for more details.

Old School Uniform

School uniform with the old school logo, in good condition, can be handed in at the School Office. These will be reused and sent off to children in Rwanda.

Marvellous Merit & VIP Jumpers and Ties

We have several Marvellous Merit and VIP jumpers and ties missing. If you have any at home, please return them to the School Office.

Classroom Change

In September 2019 the classroom format will be as follows:

Current	September
Nursery	Year 5
Reception	No change
Year 1	Nursery
Year 2	Year 1
Year 3	No change
Year 4	Year 2
Year 5	Year 6
Year 6	Year 4

School Uniform Change

Reminder: From September, we have made a slight change to our school uniform. Children are asked to wear a red V-neck sweatshirt or cardigan and an elastic red tie. This was a choice voted for by the School Council and has been discussed at previous Parent Voice meetings. The new change isn't compulsory until September 2020. In addition, we would like children to have a red Velcro book bag, with logo (Nursery - Year 2) and a red backpack, with logo (Year 3 - 6).

New Playground

Reminder: A rota for the new play equipment has been created and is displayed in the Y3 window. It is as follows:

	Before School	Morning Break	Lunch Time	Afternoon Break
Monday	Nursery & Reception	Year 3	Year 3	Nursery & Reception
Tuesday	Year 1	Year 4	Year 4	Year 1
Wednesday	Year 2	Year 5	Year 5	Year 2
Thursday	Year 1	Year 6	Year 6	Year 1
Friday	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 2

Please note: play equipment should not be used after school by pupils or adults.

Summer Fayre

Reminder: Our Summer Fayre will take place on **Friday 12th July from 1.15pm until 4pm**. Parents and family members are welcome to attend and bring a long a picnic. There will be a wide range of stalls and activities. We need volunteers to help run stalls - please contact the School Office if you are available. We would appreciate cake donations for the event on the day. Please note: if adults are unable to attend the event the children will still take part in the fayre and will spend the afternoon outside with their class – children can bring money into school to spend on the day.

Pius Calling

Reminder: Following the Summer Fayre on **Friday 12th July** we will have a short interval, where we will ask children and their families to leave the school premises, to allow us to set up for the event starting at 5pm (gates open from 4.40pm). Tickets are available from the School Office at a cost of £2.50 (under 4s are free). There will be a wide range of activities and stalls available (similar to the Summer Fayre). There will be a range of musical acts performing for your entertainment. This is a family event and a ticket only event – you must present your ticket upon arrival in exchange for a wristband. No ticket – no entry! This is guaranteed to be a great event – don't miss it!

Nursery Graduation

Reminder: There will be a Graduation for our Nursery children moving up to Reception on **18th July at 9.15am**. More information will be sent out via ClassDojo. After the graduation, there will be water activities on the field for Nursery children. Please send a towel and change of clothes/swimwear to school on this day.

Summer Camp

Reminder: Following the success of our School Camp last year, we will be holding another on **Thursday 18th July 2018 from 5pm**. Parents and family members are invited to camp on the school field. Please let the School Office know by **Friday 12th July**. There will be a small charge of £5 per tent. Alcohol will not be permitted at this event and all children must be accompanied and supervised by a family member. Portable and disposable BBQs will be permitted on the Infant Playground but must be extinguished after use. Mr Thompson will organise a camp fire towards the back of the school field. We are looking for volunteers to provide entertainment during the evening – if you are able to help please contact the School Office. This will be a great way to end a very busy and successful year.