

# St Pius X Catholic Primary School

& Little Lambs Nursery



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Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Key Dates	Extra-Curricular Clubs	VIPs
21 <sup>st</sup> Sept – Inspiring Infants Y2	Mon -	Rec – Kylan-Jackson
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept – Y6 Swimming	-	Y1 – Blake NP
23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept – Preparation of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. 6.30pm	Tues -. -	Y2 – Sharna
25 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Nursery admissions deadline for January	Wed - -	Y3 –Oliver D
28 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Inspiring Infants Y2	Thurs - -	Y4 – Rylie J
28 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct – Open Week	Fri -	Y5 – Gracie H
29 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Y6 Swimming		Y6 – Sophia
30 <sup>th</sup> Sept – Preparation of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. 6.30pm	Red = added or altered since previous newsletter <del>Strike out</del> = cancelled	
5 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Inspiring Infants Y2		
6 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Y6 Swimming		
7 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Preparation of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. 6.30pm		
10 <sup>th</sup> Oct – First Holy Communion		
12 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Inspiring Infants Y2		
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Y6 Swimming		
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Inspiring Infants Y2		
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Y6 Swimming		
21 <sup>st</sup> Oct – Y4 to Beamish –		
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct – Finish for Half Term		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov – First day 2 <sup>nd</sup> Autumn Term		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov – Inspiring Infants		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov – Y5 Swimming		
6 <sup>TH</sup> Nov – National Skipping Day – more details to follow		
9th Nov – Inspiring Infants		
10th Nov – Y5 Swimming		
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Flu immunisation – forms to follow		
16 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Inspiring Infants		
17 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Y5 Swimming		
18 <sup>th</sup> Nov – TriKidz Day – more details to follow		
23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov – Inspiring Infants		
24 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Y5 Swimming		
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Inspiring Infants		
1 <sup>st</sup> Dec – Y5 Swimming		

Attendance	
Reception	97.86
Year 1	97.38
Year 2	96.45
Year 3	98.11
Year 4	96.59
Year 5	99.05
Year 6	96.3
Whole School	97.68

'Restore all things in Christ'

**School Lunches**

We will be introducing a hot option on Friday's from Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. The hot option that should appear on LunchShop is fish finger warps. Please note that meat options have been removed from Friday menus. If the hot option is successful, we will extend this to other days.

**LunchShop**

Please note that LunchShop have introduced a tougher rule. Parents must cancel lunches by 9.30am, if their child is absent or they no longer wish for them to receive one. After this time, they are unable to offer a refund. School is no longer able to override this.

**Parents' Evening**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we have decided to carry out parents' evenings slightly differently this year. The termly Parents' Summary Report will come out on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The following week we will be having parent and teacher consultations via telephone on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November. You can make an appointment by ringing the School Office. Please note that teachers will ring from a withheld number.

**Packed Lunches**

This is a gentle reminder that St Pius X is a healthy school. Please can you ensure your child's lunchbox contains healthy and appropriate options. Guidance and suggestions can be found using the links below.

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/school-packed-lunch-inspiration>

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

**Reading Scheme**

The Key Stage 2 (juniors) reading scheme is now back up and running. It will be a few weeks before the new EYFS and Key Stage 1 (infants) phonics reading scheme is up and running. We are working hard to sort the new scheme out. Please bear with us.

**Homework**

We are hoping to have homework back up and running next week. Please note the majority of homework will be set and returned online, via Showbie, for Years 1 to Year 6.

**Home Learning**

If we were to close a bubble or the whole school was to close, we would offer online learning for our pupils. However, if a child is isolating we are unable to set individual work for them. It would not be fair to expect teachers to teach full time in the classroom and set online work for those at home. As a school we are using Showbie more within the classroom and some work may be available on there. We recommend using BBC Bitesize, National Oak Trust or use the links sent out at the beginning of lockdown (available on our website).

**Birthday Treats**

Cake and treats are unable to be brought in from home at the current time.