



Diocese of Portsmouth

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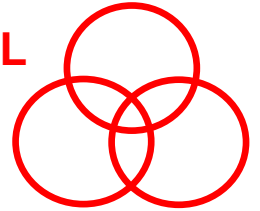
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5th June 2019

Dear Parents,

Mother Tongue Day

Next week we will be celebrating the rich and diverse cultures we have within our St Edmund's community again when we hold our annual Mother Tongue Day on Monday 10th June. To start the day, we will have whole school worship at 9am in the hall, to which you are all invited if you are free. During whole school worship I read an extract from the Bible and discuss its message and relevance to us. For Mother Tongue Day I ask if any parents/ grandparents/ family friends are free if they could read out a sentence or two of the Bible reading in their own language after I have read it in English so the children really appreciate the impact of the Pentecostal story. If you are able to help with this, please do let me know. As in previous years, I have asked the children to volunteer, if they would like to, to read a small prayer in their own language as part of the worship. If your child has volunteered, please help them to translate the prayer I will give them into your language and let them practise reading it at home with you. Last year we had over thirty children who volunteered to read a prayer representing many of the languages we have in school. In the afternoon of Mother Tongue Day, we are hoping many adults will be free to read stories to children in class in their own language and join us in the hall where the classes will set up stalls representing different languages and countries from our school community. The class teachers will be sending out further details but if you feel you will be able to help in any way please do let us know.

Safeguarding Audit

It is important to me that your children feel safe and happy at school and that you are able to trust us to keep your children safe. You may be aware that safeguarding is an integral part of all that we do at schools and something which we discuss and strive to improve on at all times. To aid our continuous strive to improve in this area I asked a representative from the local authority's safeguarding team to conduct a full audit of all of our processes, policies, record keeping etc. on May 20th. After over four hours on site, going into absolutely everything, I am pleased to say that the auditor was very impressed with all that we do to keep your children safe. There were a few minor things we could improve on regarding governor and volunteer training and record keeping but all that directly affects the children was seen to be robust. We will of course action the auditor's suggestions over the coming weeks.

Summer Uniform

Thank you to all parents who have made sure their daughters are now wearing the summer uniform and also bought the *navy* check summer dress, as per our uniform list. Please also remember, our uniform is a dress not the culottes style dresses a few shops are selling locally. I would also like to remind all parents and children that school shoes are to be worn throughout the day. Trainers are for sport lessons and may be changed into for playtime if it is wet and muddy outside. If your child is one of the few children who is currently wearing trainers to school can you please help them to find their school shoes again. Lastly, any hair longer than shoulder length needs to be tied back with a tie/bow in school colours please. Thank you for supporting us in keeping our children looking smart, even in warm weather.





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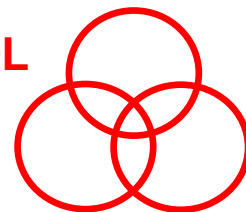
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Summer Fayre on Saturday 15th June

Please look out for all the information about the summer fayre which is now less than two weeks away and do support us in any way you can. It is always a fun filled event enjoyed by all.

Remember, there is a non-uniform day on Friday for donations for the summer fayre. If you can help in anyway before, during or afterwards please speak to any of the members of the PA committee.

As ever, thank you all for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Delany-White

Diary Dates- PLEASE KEEP THESE HANDY

St Edmund's Catholic Primary School		Event
DIARY DATES 2018/19		
Date		Event
Tuesday 4 th June		Book Week
	am	Children back to school
	pm	Year 3 to Abingdon Library Year 2 to Abingdon Library
Wednesday 5 th June		Mini Vinnies retreat day
Friday 7 th June		Non-Uniform Day – donations for Summer Fayre
	am	Annual Schools Mass, Portsmouth
	pm	Year 1 to Abingdon Library Cross country heats
Saturday 8th June	10am 3:30-5pm	First Holy Communion Mass at St Edmund's church Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6, see parish website for details
Sunday 9th June	2pm	First Holy Communion Mass at St Edmund's church
Monday 10th June	am	Mother Tongue Day Year 6H swimming
Tuesday 11 th June	am	Mary Stevens, author, visit
Wednesday 12 th June	am	Year 5 & 6 Quad kids competition
Thursday 13 th June	am	Year 6H to Abingdon Museum TBC
Friday 14 th June	pm	Football & netball house competitions
Saturday 15th June		Summer Fayre
Monday 17th June	am pm	Year 6G swimming Year 6 cricket competition
Tuesday 18 th June	9:30-11am 10-12 1:30-3pm 11-4:30pm	Didcot Girls School transition day Nursery Stay and Play Year 6G to Abingdon Museum Year 6H to Abingdon Lab Girls' Cricket competition
Wednesday 19 th June	10:15-11:45am	Year 6G to Abingdon Lab





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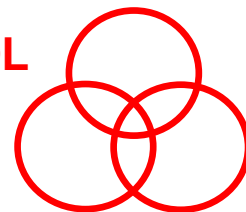
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	1-4pm 1:55-2:15 pm 2-6:30pm 2:20pm	Quad Kids Finals at Tilsley Park Year 5 singing performance Year 4 Music concert at Fitzharrys Year 1 Class assembly
Friday 21 st June	pm 2.20 pm	Cross Country Finals Gold Book
Saturday 22nd June	3:30-5pm	Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6, see parish website for details
Monday 24th June	am pm 4:30-5:15pm	School nurse to talk to Year 5 New Reception children's first visit Year 5 Christ Church Cathedral Concert
Tuesday 25 th June	am pm 12-3:30pm	School nurse to talk to Year 6 New Nursery children's first visit Year 5 cricket competition
Wednesday 26 th June	2pm	Fitzharrys, Larkmead and John Mason transition day First Holy Communion Mass in school- all welcome
Thursday 27 th June		Larkmead 2 nd transition day
Friday 28 th June	am	Abingdon School Mini Olympics Magic Maths Fayre
Monday 1st July	2pm	Prayer Space Week Didcot Girls' Induction day Welcome Meeting new Reception Parents
Tuesday 2 nd July	2pm	Didcot Girls' & Aureus School Induction day Welcome Meeting new Nursery parents
Wednesday 3 rd July	am 2:20pm	Year 6 to Pizza Express Year 2 Class Assembly
Thursday 4 th July	am	Early Years trip to Earth's Trust- 'Little Explorers' Day Year 4 at Abingdon School for Science workshop
Friday, 5 th July	2.20 pm	Gold Book
Saturday 6th July	3:30-5pm	Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6,
Monday 8th July		
Tuesday 9 th July	6pm	Music Concert
Wednesday 10 th July	am pm	Sports Day & family picnic Meet the Teacher
Friday 12 th July	am 2.20 pm pm	Reserve Sports Day Gold Book PA Discos
Monday 15th July		
Tuesday 16 th July	1:45pm 6pm	Year 6 Production Year 6 Production
Wednesday 17 th July		Year 6G & 6H to Wittenham Clumps Year 1 trip to Farmer Gow's
Friday 19 th July	2pm	Prize Day





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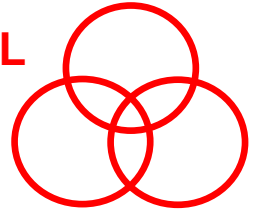
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Saturday 20th July	3:30-5pm	Parish Youth Group in the parish centre, Year 3- 6, see parish website for details
Monday 22nd July	1:45pm	Leavers' Mass
Tuesday 23 rd July	3pm	Term ends
SUMMER HOLIDAY		

