



St Luke's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

The end of the academic year without doubt provides the opportunity to reflect. This has been a very busy year from start to finish. Again, it has been another year of further restrictions. We thank all parents for the way you have supported us to ensure the safety of all within our school environment. As a school we remained relatively unscathed with regards to Covid.

One of our fondest memories was the afternoon tea, and Easter Egg Hunt, being able to invite parents and grandparents to share in some of the Easter traditions was an absolute joy. Thankfully, the summer term has allowed us to reintroduce many of the features of typical school life. We are looking forward to developing this further next academic year.

During the past week, we all thoroughly enjoyed the end of year performance by year six and the Key Stage 2 choir. The children excelled themselves as always, again reflecting their many skills and talents. Yesterday, at the leaver's assembly, we shared many memories with the class, and yet again we saw the depth of friendship and support for one another. Today we had our end of term mass, a celebration of the pupils' achievements this year.

It has been a priority this year to reignite an interest and enjoyment for reading. With the support of Friends of St. Luke's, who were able to secure a grant we were very fortunate to redesign our library area. Creating a calm and welcoming area in which to relax, browse and enjoy books. Following its official opening with Helen the Storyteller, it has been a very popular area in school.

You will be aware that the children have been invited to take part in the reading challenge this summer. We have a brilliant local library, and strongly encourage you to visit. Why not take the opportunity to relax and share a book with your child. We look forward to seeing the result of this year's reading challenge. Next academic year, our aim is to re-establish visits by each class to the local library, ensuring all our pupils are members.

We also re-introduced 'Pupil Presentations' this summer term. The teaching staff and I were extremely impressed by the standard of presentations, and the pupils' abilities to engage their audience. Although this may have been a daunting task for some, it was certainly clear that all children rose to the challenge. We feel it is important that all pupils are given the skills required to articulate their ideas with confidence, therefore we intend to continue this each year going forward.





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I would also like to thank FoSL for their continued financial support to the school. Their fund-raising activities always bring a sense of enjoyment and community spirit.

I would like to thank all members of staff for their hard work and dedication. They have worked extremely hard again this year to challenge and inspire, whilst raising standards and expectations and providing enjoyment for all. They, along with the children should all be very proud of their achievements.

The new term will bring a fresh start, our Year Six pupils will be heading off to their High schools and we will be welcoming our new Reception intake.

The children will be returning to school on **Monday 5th September**. We will continue with the staggered start from 8.40 am to 8.50 am, with gates closing promptly at 8.50 am. In order to comply with DFE guidance of 32.5 hours a week, we will be extending our school day by five minutes with collection time being 3.20 pm.

Can I take this opportunity on behalf of all the staff to wish you all a very happy and relaxing summer holiday. I would also like to wish everyone a very enjoyable and safe summer break. Thank you also for the kind wishes and gifts of appreciation that have been sent in. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Monday 5th September**.

Yours sincerely

Eileen Murtagh

