



**ST. LEO'S AND SOUTHMEAD CATHOLIC NURSERY AND PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you are all happy and well? Please would you take the time to read the following information and make a note of any dates? Thank you.

### **World Book Day – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

We are joining in the celebration of this day with all of the schools nationally. The theme is "Where's Wally?" which is a great book that many children enjoy. If your child wants to dress up that day as Wally all they need is to come to school wearing

- a pair of jeans
- a jumper
- a woolly hat.

The children have told us that they all have the above. Some children have already told us that they have made a pair of cardboard glasses to wear. It's going to be a great, fun day when the children will enjoy Books.

#### **Also**

On the same day all school lunches will cost £1.00 and will be linked to the theme. This is a great chance for your child to try school lunch if he or she usually has a packed lunch.

### **Weight Management Course**

Huge congratulations to all of the parents, grandparents who have attended this course as you have all lost weight – fantastic achievement.

### **Silver Award for Health 4 Schools**

I am delighted to inform you that we have been awarded a Silver Award for all of the work, learning and parental involvement linked to 'Health' that the school does. We are thrilled – well done everyone.

### **Issues**

We understand that sometimes you might be worried or upset about a school issue. Please can I ask that if this is ever the case that you do not speak to the teacher at the classroom door? This is not the time or the place. Please make an appointment and then you will receive quiet, confidential, quality time and we will always help. Recently parents were very upset about how a teacher was spoken to at the door and did not think it was appropriate at all. Thank you to those

parents for their support. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter. I will not let staff be spoken to in that way or have parents and children upset by it.

### **School Photographer- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

The children will be having their school photograph taken on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Every child will be given a little proof of the photograph to take home. If you would like the photograph you simply fill in the envelope and enclose the money. We do not deal with the money, the photographer returns to school to collect all of the envelopes.

### **Red Nose Day – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

We will be joining in Red Nose Day as are many schools. The children can come to school with painted red noses; mad hair styles and wearing whatever they want. Every child is asked to bring £1.00 to raise money and have fun.

### **First Confession/First Holy Communion**

If your child is in Year 4 and is making the sacrament of First Confession and the sacrament of First Holy Communion there will be a Parents' Information Meeting on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 2 O'clock in St Leo's Church.

Father Michael is very much looking forward to seeing you.

### **Marie Curie Daffodil Appeal**

We have been asked to sell daffodils in school to raise money for Cancer Research. The daffodils cost £1.00 and tend to sell very quickly. Last year parents still sent in £1.00 coins even though there were no daffodils left – you are welcome to still do this. Marie Curie is always very grateful.

### **Easter Bonnet Parade – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

Every year we have an Easter Bonnet Parade which the children really enjoy. We always have an external judge to choose three winners from each class, but the children simply enjoy taking part. All children are welcome to come to school wearing their hats.

### **Dogs**

Please can I ask that you do not bring any dogs (large or small) onto the school site – thank you for your cooperation with this matter?

### **Recycling Plant**

The Year 1 and 2 children recently went out on a trip to the Recycling Plant as part of their learning. I am delighted to let you know that the staff at the Plant contacted us to say how wonderful and well behaved the children were, well done children.

### **Year 1**

Very soon your children will be learning about the topic of "Growing" in class. As part of this topic the children are going to have eggs in class which will hatch into chicks. I am sure that they are going to be very excited about this and will come home chatting to you about it.

### **Year 2**

The children are going to learn about Road Safety and the Knowsley Road Safety Team will be coming into their class to deliver the project which I'm sure you will agree is a life saving skill.

## **Reception Parents**

Family Learning Workshops have been really successful thanks to the parents who have been able to take part. There is still a Number workshop and Easter Hat workshop left so come along and enjoy.

## **Spring holiday**

School closes for the spring holiday on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 2 O'clock.**

School opens on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.**

Please may I take this opportunity to thank you for all that you do and for your fantastic support?

This is a brilliant school because of you and your children.

A very happy, proud Headteacher,

Mrs J Grundy.