



"A place to allow everyone to flourish"

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

I hope that you have all had a lovely half term holiday with your children and were able to have some quality time together as a family. Please would you read the following information? Thank you.

**School Photographer Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

In response to the feedback on the Parent Questionnaires we had asked for the school photographs of the children to be earlier in the school year, when uniforms still look fresh. Originally when we asked to change the date, it was not possible, however due to a school cancellation the date has now been changed to

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November

School Photographs.

**How can I help my child's learning at home?**

In school this week the children will be learning about a History topic. All information about what your child will be learning about is on our school website or please feel free to ask your child's teacher. We make History exciting for the children and they are always enthusiastic to find out about the past.

**Important Dates for this half term.**

Date

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photographs taken
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	St Leo's Feast Day
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti Bullying Week
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception Parents read with children

Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Nursery Workshops for Parents
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need – Own clothes/cake sale
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Year 6 Parents read with children
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Music Composer's Day (information on website)
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Day
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Science Pantomime for Years 1 – 6
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Design Technology week
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Parents read with children
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Film Night for Years 1 – 6 (3.15 – 4.45)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party (donations appreciated)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	School closes at 2.00 p.m.

Throughout this half term there are also the Christmas Performances for parents, you already have these dates and as always they will be lovely.

### **Year 4 Swimming**

The children in Year 4 were fantastic during their swimming lessons. Please help your child to keep practising until they go again for the second part of the programme.

### **Exciting Learning**

Last term we had a famous Poet visit the school for the day. He was wonderful and was really impressed with the children's behaviour and ability. The children really enjoyed the day and all instantly became poets. This term we have arranged for the children in Years 1 to 6 to see a 'Science Pantomime'. It is going to be loud hectic and fun. I'm sure that the children will really enjoy it and will all be scientists for the day.

### **Anti Bullying Week**

We will be reminding the children about what bullying means and what to do if they are ever bullied or see bullying happening now or in the future! It is important that our children have the confidence to always tell and not be frightened or alone.

### **Reading with your children**

We have received lovely feedback from you about these special reading times together in class. Reception, Year 6 and Nursery Parents please see your dates on the above list and we look forward to seeing you. Nearer the time your child's teacher will provide more information.

### **Children in Need Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

We always support this day with having fun in school whilst raising money for children not as fortunate as ourselves. On this day your children can wear what they want, own clothes and or wacky hairstyles. We ask for £1.00 off every child. We will also be having a cake sale in the afternoon so if your child brings extra pennies he or she can buy a cake. (Any parents who want to help by donating cakes along with the staff – that would be fantastic, send them in on the day.)

## **Theme days**

We will be having a great Maths day with lots of Mathematical problem solving; a Music Composer's day on which the children will focus on a Composer and his/her music and Design Technology activities. All information is on our website.

## **Film Night Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December Years 1 – 6, 3.15 – 4.45**

If your child is in classes 1 to 6 and would like to stay for film night then simply sign the consent letters when you receive them and enclose £3.00. The children can stay in school until 4.45 and must be collected from their classroom door. Why not do some extra shopping while you can!

## **Christmas Party 20<sup>th</sup> December**

The children can wear their own clothes. Any donations of party food to help as always is very much appreciated.

An exciting, busy time ahead with a lot happening. We are looking forward to it all and know that as usual the children will be enthusiastic learners. Thank you as always for all that you do to support us and we look forward to seeing you.

A very, very happy, proud Headteacher,

Mrs J Grundy.

## **QUICK**

### **HELPFUL HINTS TO REMEMBER**

- Names on every item of clothing.
- Please provide your child with tissues to catch sneezes and coughs.
- Children only need a little packed lunch – not too much.
- 100% attendance – every child in school every day.
- Plain, still water, not flavoured.
- Early to bed, early to rise!
- Bonfire night – stay safe.
- Use 'Parent Pay' to pay for school lunches.
- No dogs on the school grounds – thank you.