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Tuesday 23 rd	Bookstart visit for Nursery TCSA KS1 Mixed Sports Competition	
Wednesday 24 th	Governors Finance Meeting	
Thursday 25 th	Nursery Assembly	
Friday 26 th	Opening of the Outdoor Classroom Race for Life School closes for Whit Holidays	
JUNE		
Monday 12 th	School reopens after Whit	
Wednesday 14 th	Mrs Walker out Diocesan Day	
Thursday 15 th	Tameside Headteachers Briefing	
Saturday 24 th	First Holy Communion	

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St James' Catholic Primary

"Great News"

Friday 19th May 2023

St Milburga

LITURGY MATTERS

Assembly

Year 1 led us in a beautiful reflection on Ascension Thursday this week. It was a lovely occasion, everyone was so clear and confident. Thank you to the Year 1 team for all the hard work in putting this assembly together.

Next Thursday it will be Nursery's Assembly... an event we all look forward to!

Mass

Year 5 and 6 represented us at the Parish Mass for Ascension Day, It was lovely to go to church and not have to worry about the music or the readings and to get the opportunity to just listen and watch the grown ups at church. Thank you to the parish for making us so welcome and well done to the children for behaving so impeccably, I was a very proud headteacher.

I was also very proud this morning when Reception led such a lovely Mass to commemorate Mary in the month of May. The readers were so clear and the singing and the signing was beautiful. Thank you everyone in Reception. Fr Philip was really pleased to see us and he made that we understood everything that happened in Mass. We are very lucky that he is our priest.

First Sacraments.

The next big occasion for our First Sacrament children is their First Communion on Saturday 24th June at 11am in Church. Please keep them in your prayers.

Confirmation

There is a message in the church newsletter regarding confirmation for older siblings... This summer our Bishop, Mark, will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with the young people of our local area. If any young people who are in their mid- to later years of high school who would be interested in being confirmed please have a word with Father Philip or Deacon Anthony.

STATUTORY TESTS

Congratulations to Year 6 for completing their tests in such a calm and mature way. We are all very proud of you and feel sure that every one of you did your very best and that is all that matters.

Year 2 have also almost completed their special work too and again everyone has worked really hard. Well done everyone.

PARENT GOVERNOR

We are now looking for a new parent governor. If you are interested please speak to Mrs Walker or Mr Woolley about what the role entails.

RACE FOR LIFE

Next Friday is Race for Life Day. We have invited Miss Robinson, our former headteacher, to officially open our new Outdoor Classroom and then start our Race for Life.

Each child will be completing their own personal race. Nursery complete 10 laps of the playground in the morning at 11a, parents welcome. Everyone else completes the circuit of the estate. EYFS and KS1 have the option of one lap (2.5k) though many choose to do a second lap. KS2 children relish the chance to do 2 laps, the full 5k.

If you are able to help marshal this event please let us know. We need at least 31 adults to make sure that we all get around safely.

Entry to the race costs £3 or you can collect a sponsor form from the office. We normally raise about £800 for Cancer Research and the last time we got over £1000 for this fantastic charity.

OUTDOOR PROJECT

We are so happy with our new Outdoor Classroom and most classes have had a visit to it. This building wouldn't have been possible without the generous donations when we had the Forest School fire, a substantial donation in memory of Mr Platt, the school's first headteacher from his family and the money from the work Mrs Walker does for the Diocese.

Phase Two will start soon! This will involve moving the fence line down to the road to enclose a Forest School area that actually has trees in it! Once this is completed we will need adult help to clear the area so we can see what we have got. There are a lot of cans and bottles to move and brambles to clear. That piece of land will still belong to the Parish but the Diocese have kindly agreed that we can have a long term loan of it!

Just after half term we will start Phase 3, which is to redo all the paths that we already have and to add a few more so we can access the outdoor Classroom and the new Forest Area.

CORONATION CELEBRATION STREET PARTY

The Coronation Party was a fabulous event, The weather was a little contrary so we took the decision to party in the Hall. We all managed to squeeze in at the same time! We had some wonderful dance performances from Y3 and Y5 and a Question and Answer session from Y1 followed by community singing around the piano! We finished with a picnic lunch on mats on the floor. It was a lovely occasion. Thank you to all the staff but particularly the dinner staff.

MONEY

Just a polite reminder that Nursery fund, Breakfast Club and Dinner Money should be paid in advance. We listened to parents' requests for a payment app and it has been a great success but it works best if people pay in advance.

NURSERY

We currently have some places for 3 year olds in our Nursery. If you know of anyone with a child who is already 3 or will turn 3 this academic year please give us a ring.

We are also unsure of numbers for September so any children turning 3. If you have a child who is 3 before 31st August and you would like them to start Nursery in September please could you get in touch.

PARKING

Thank you for parking considerately and avoiding the grass verges, the parking and safety of our children seems to have improved since the introduction of the parking pupil signs.

PE KIT

Everyone has PE on a Tuesday and we are going to continue coming to school in our PE Kits on a Tuesday. Please can you ensure that it is our school kit of white t shirt and dark blue or black shorts, as plain as possible. Children may also wear trainers on Tuesdays. Staff may also wear their gym kit on Tuesdays for our well being and keeping fit sessions after school.

SPORTS

AFTER SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS

All school clubs have started or restarted well. Thank you to all staff who are giving up their time freely to ensure that the children have a broad and deep curriculum.

Thank you to all the staff who give up their time to ensure that our children have these wonderful sporting opportunities.

MONDAY

Elite Runners: Lunchtime training for the school running squad with Mr Woolley, Mrs Collins and Miss Clark.

Family Fitness. £2 per family for our Family Fitness sessions 3.30-4.30pm. Come and join the fun.

TUESDAY

Terri's Sports Club: After School multisports for Y3-Y6, 3.30- 5pm with Terri

WEDNESDAY

Cheerleaders: 3.30-4.30pm for cheerleading squad with Mrs Collins and Mrs Snarr.

French Club: for Y5 children with Mrs Clarke 3.30-4.30pm.

THURSDAY

Year 6 Tutoring: For all Year 6 children with all staff 3.30-4.30pm.

Boys Football: with Mr Partridge 3.30-5pm

Hattersley Brass: All welcome from Y4 upwards... Beginners Band 3.45-4.30pm.

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FRIDAY

Girls Football: After school training with Mr Partridge 3.30-5pm.