



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 8th September 2023  
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in the world



**Dear parents and carers,**

We were so pleased to welcome our children back to school this week. It was lovely to see them arrive smiling, in their smart new uniforms. We have also been welcoming new children to our school, including our Reception and Nursery children. We are always pleased to welcome new children and their families to St Patrick's Primary School.

Teachers are looking forward to meeting parents for **Academic Review Day** - a letter was sent out in your child's book bag. Please return the reply slip to class teachers. On Academic review day, teachers will give parents the curriculum information guide for what your child is learning this term and will explain how you can help at home, including homework expectations. You will all see that home reading books have gone home today.

**With best wishes, Mrs. O'Reilly and Ms Richardson**

**Reading and coming to school every day... The two habits of reading every day and coming to school every day are going to make the biggest difference to your child's education and life chances.**



Reading is a necessity for learning and a lifelong skill. We know that children who struggle to learn to read have a much harder, steeper path with all other areas of learning. It affects their social skills, well-being, attainment and progress. This in turn means that a child who does not succeed with reading has poorer life chances and fewer opportunities as an adult.

**Listening to your child read and sharing a book daily is so important. That precious 20 to 30 minutes every day is time very well spent.**

The best research for years tells us that the children who do best in school practise reading the most.

**Please make sure that your child brings their reading books to school with them every day.**

Please also make sure that you sign your child's home reading record to show that they have practised their reading at home. Thank you for your help with this.

This week, Ms Charles-Merrifield and Ms Lowe led the 'Golden Rules' assemblies for KS1 and KS2. To make sure our school is a place where you can learn and be safe, we follow these **GOLDEN RULES...**

<b>Do be kind, helpful and polite.</b>	<i>Don't hurt people's feelings by being rude or unkind.</i>
<b>Do be gentle.</b>	<i>Don't hurt or play fight.</i>
<b>Do listen to people and follow instructions.</b>	<i>Don't ignore people or interrupt them.</i>
<b>Do look after our things.</b>	<i>Don't waste or damage things.</i>
<b>Do be honest.</b>	<i>Don't tell lies or cover up the truth.</i>
<b>Do understand its OK to make mistakes.</b>	<i>Don't laugh at those who are brave enough to have a go.</i>
<b>Do work hard and try your best.</b>	<i>Don't waste time or give up easily.</i>

I have received and read the St Patrick's Primary School newsletter of 08.09.2023

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

## Important dates for your diary...

**Tuesday 12th September at 3.45pm** - Secondary Transfer Meeting and PGL meeting for Year 6 parents.

**Thursday 14th September at 9.05am** - Friends of St Patrick's Meeting in the school hall

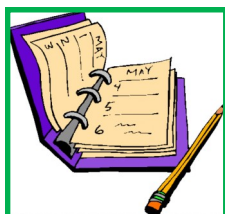
**Friday 15th September** - Academic Review Day for Year 1 to Year 6 - parent, child and teacher meetings

**Friday 15th September** - INSET Day for Nursery and Reception

**Monday 18th September** - After School Enrichment Clubs start this week

**Monday 25th September** - Healthy Heart Day (More Information to Follow)

**Friday 29th September** - Non-uniform Day



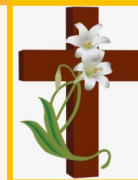
## Our Prayer

I am with you

Lord Jesus,  
we know that at this moment  
you are here with us.

As brothers and sisters in God's family,  
we ask you to listen to and answer  
the prayers we bring before you today.

**Amen**



## Camden Moving On to Secondary School Event 2023 - for parents of children in Years 4, 5 and 6







Parents of pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 are invited to the Camden Moving on to Secondary School Event, which is being held at the prestigious Francis Crick Institute, in King's Cross, on **Thursday, 21 September**, with staggered entry times **between 4.15pm and 6.45pm**.

Camden secondary schools are high achieving and ambitious for all students, offering a tremendous range of opportunities to help prepare students for happy and successful futures. Register to attend here.

## Healthy Snacks at our school

We can bring in a healthy snack to eat during story time. A healthy snack gives our brains fuel to help us concentrate in class.

Our healthy snacks **must not contain nuts**.

Things you can eat for your break-time snack	Things you cannot eat for your break-time snack
Fruit 	Fruit winders 
APLAIN biscuit 	Biscuits with jam, chocolate or any other extras 
Vegetables e.g. carrot sticks 	Crisps 
APLAIN cereal bar	A cereal bar with chocolate on it

We put our healthy snacks in the snack box as soon as we come into school.



## Year 6 Secondary Transfer and PGL (residential trip) meeting for Year 6 parents...

Mrs O'Reilly and Ms Fearon will be holding a meeting with parents to explain how the secondary transfer process works. Please do attend this meeting as very important messages will be given out. It is on **Tuesday 12th September at 3.45pm** in the school hall. We will also be giving information about the Year 6 residential trip to PGL.



## Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Ms Fearon or Mrs O'Reilly.

**We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**

