

## Parent Update

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are well and truly back into the swing of things! Thank you for your support and cooperation with all things school related. Here is the latest information to keep you updated:

**Children's birthdays** – these are important occasions! To celebrate in school children may wear their own clothes for the day and if they would like to give a gift to their friends, please donate a story book for the class to share. Please **do not** send in sweets, cakes, piñatas or toys for the children. This creates an added pressure for other families and staff.

**Open Evenings** - for parents of Year 5 and 6 pupils, at our local high schools are as follows:

St Matthew's RC High School – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 4.30 – 6.30pm. Further information here.

Our Lady's RC High School - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 4:30 - 7pm

Cardinal Langley - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September - 5 -6pm

Co-op Academy Manchester (Plant Hill) - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September - 4:30-6pm

Co-op Academy North Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September – 3.45pm to 7pm. Further information here.

**Adult use of phones at hometime** – At the end of the day, the children are excited to see whoever is collecting them and tell them about their day. Please put away your phones and engage with the children. This is very important for their self-esteem and language skills.

**Football training** – Please click here to see information about a football club in Prestwich on Thursday evenings.

**Macmillan Coffee morning:** We would like to invite parents and carers to a coffee morning in school on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September to raise funds for Macmillan.

9-10am, parents of children in Year 1, 2 & 3.

10.15-11.15, parents of children in Year 4, 5 & 6 4

The children will be performing poetry for your delight! EYFS parents your children won't be performing, you are welcome to join either of the coffee mornings.

On **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September**, we would be grateful for donations of cakes for our coffee mornings

**Communication with staff** – Communication between school and home is extremely important and we really value our relationships with all our families. If you have information to pass on or need to speak to a member of staff about anything, please ring or email the school office and arrange a convenient time. *Staff are not able to have long conversations at the door in the morning, or on the school drive on their way into school.* When this happens you may feel that we aren't giving you our fullest attention due to our worries about supervision of children inside the building, or trying to get into work on time! It can lead to miscommunication which isn't helpful. Please be patient with us, we can't always drop everything to speak to you, but we will listen at an appropriate time. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

**Celebration Assembly** – The following children received certificates in our assembly on Friday:

	<b>Achievement</b>	<b>Francis Factor</b>
Reception	Abigail	Layton
Year 1	Isaac	Ivy-Rae
Year 2	Alfie S	Isla
Year 3	Nicole	Max
Year 4	Tommy	Holly
Year 5	Faith	Wade
Year 6	Harry	Jack
Headteacher's award	Jason Y1	

As ever, please contact the school office ([contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk)) if you have any queries or need any support. We have had a wonderful start to this academic year and would like to thank all our families for their positivity and support.

With love and prayers,

Mrs Johnson