



### HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

The National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) has recently sent us the last three years combined weight measurements at Reception and Year 6, for our school. It puts our Reception combined overweight/obesity levels at 24% (22% England) and our Year 6 combined overweight/obese levels at 36% (34% England).

Child obesity levels impact upon future health, so we want to ensure as a school, we are doing all that we can to ensure the fitness and healthy eating of our children.

We will be asking our Parents' forum for ideas and will set up a specific working group to look into this. Any ideas would be most welcome.

Many thanks.

Mrs Allen

### Year 6

This half term is an exceptionally busy half term for Year 6. They have enjoyed a trip to York, visits to Stanley Park for kayaking and a swimming fun comp for some.

We still have a production to look forward to, visits to secondary schools during transition week, sports day and much much more.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for your continued support. We hope the children will really enjoy their few remaining weeks left at SJV.

Miss O'Keefe and Mrs Bennett



### Key Dates:

**Foundation Sports Day—Monday 25th June**

**FINAL ENRICHMENT CLUBS—Wednesday 27th June**

**Year 1 & 2 Sports Day—Friday 29th June @ 9:00am**

**Music Exams—Saturday 30th June**

**Year 4 Trip to Notariannis—Monday 2nd July and Tuesday 3rd July**

**Key Stage 2 Sports Day—Wednesday 4th July, 9:00—12 noon at Stanley Park**

**Year 2 Celebration Afternoon—Friday 6th July**

**Fun Night—Friday 6th July**

### Year 1

Our new topic for this term is 'Whatever the Weather'. We will be looking at all the different types of weather that we experience in our local area. We will be linking this to our science topic of 'Seasonal Changes' where we will be investigating why we get such a wonderful range of weather across the year.



During our arts session we will be practising dance routines to different songs, we are looking forward to showcasing our skills at our parent workshop later on in the term.

We are really looking to our Sports Day which will take place on the morning of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June on the school grounds. We hope to see you there cheering us all on!

Mrs Hulme and Mr Hardwick

### Palatine Library Junior History Event

## VICTORIANS



Learn fun facts about the Victorians in our one hour story led event

Palatine Library  
23rd June 2018  
2pm - 3pm

Free Event

Suitable for ages 7 - 11  
Booking essential  
Parental supervision required

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### Year 5

We have made it - our final half term in Year 5! This half term we will continue to work hard in order to prepare the children (as much as possible) for Year 6!

The children have been immersed into 'Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets' and we hope to end the topic by comparing the novel to the film - *a great excuse for some popcorn too!*

Last week Year 5 were given a 'taster' of what life is like at St Mary's - it was a fabulous day where the children displayed the highest standard of behaviour and participated in the superb lessons delivered by St Mary's staff! Well done Year 5!

A little reminder that children should have their full school PE kit in school, as if the dry weather continues, we will seize the opportunity to have outdoor PE!

Once again, we thank you for your continuous support and look forward to our last five weeks with your children in Year 5!

Mrs Bancroft, Mrs Dickinson and Miss Talbot

### Attendance this term (National Target is 96%)

N -	RC -	RM -
94.71%	95.87%	94.80%
1Ha -	1Hu -	2H -
96.43%	94.41%	94.24%
2W -	3K -	3Mc -
95.94%	96.65%	97.48%
4L -	4W -	5BD -
94.97%	95.42%	95.62%
5T -	6B -	6OK -
94.84%	96.23%	95.68%

## Nursery

We have a busy half term planned in Nursery. In the first week back we have enjoyed an 'Elmer' week, learning all about the cheeky patchwork elephant!

Over the next few weeks we will be learning about minibeasts so you may notice your children taking an extra interest in creepy crawlies! We will be doing lots of arts and crafts activities as well as learning songs and much more. We have transformed our home corner into a camp site and we are going to have an 'ice cream parlour' in our outdoor area. Let's hope the good weather continues.



As most of your children will be moving up to 'big school' soon, we will be spending lots of time practising phonics, learning numbers and writing our letters. Anything you can do at home to help with this would be fabulous. Many children can write their names and daily practice is helping those that need a little bit more guidance with this.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Willingham and Mrs Couzins

## Year 4

Year 4 have been enjoying an extremely busy start to this half term. Last week, the children were treated to a story-telling and art workshop with Emily Hennessey and Tina Dempsey based on the history of Blackpool Tower circus.

This half term's topic (Oh I do like to be beside the seaside) is making us feel full of energy looking ahead to summer. We will be taking a trip to the superb Notrianni's in July, please check the letter which was sent home last week about all the details.



In our PE lessons currently we are preparing for Sports Day on the 4<sup>th</sup> July, practising all the track and field events. Another date for our diary is Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June for our next year group Mass at 9:15am in SJV Church. Thank you for your continued support and enjoy the last 5 weeks of Year 4!

Mr Lord and Miss Wills

## Year 2

It's the final countdown!!!

Year 2 have come back from the half term break refreshed and ready to go and this is wonderful to see.

Mr Walsh and I would like to congratulate the children again for how hard they worked during our 'Secret Agent Service Training' and our parents and families for your support. We are continuing to work hard on the remainder of the Year 2 curriculum as we prepare for our next journey into Year 3! (It is closer than you realise!)

Miss Lupton our Student Teacher in 2H has some exciting activities planned for both classes as part of our new topic this half term which is called 'Around the World in 80 Days.' PE is still on a Wednesday with our Sports Coach Callum, please ensure your child has the correct Summer Kit in school.

Many Thanks

Miss Hornby and Mr Walsh

## Reception

We can't believe it's our last half term in Reception - what a wonderful year we have had! However, it's not over just yet and we have a very busy half term ahead. RC's class assembly is on Friday 22nd June and RM's class assembly is on Friday 6th July (9am and 9:20am). The children are so excited to share their learning with you and all are welcome to come and watch.

Sports day is Monday 25th June - please ensure full PE kits are in school and no jewellery is to be worn on this day. You are more than welcome to come and support your child in the various activities that will take place.

On Tuesday 26th June at 2:45pm, we are inviting Reception parents/carers into school to share a book with their child. Hopefully this can take place on the school field (weather permitting). Once again, thank you for your continued support throughout the year and we hope to see you at all these events if you can make it.



Miss Crawford and Mrs Mahoney

## Year 3

Last Thursday, we had the opportunity to go to Mass at Christ the King/St Mary's with other Year 3 children from Catholic schools in the area. Originally, the Mass was supposed to be outdoors, but due to the weather, the decision was made to hold it indoors. Nevertheless, it was a lovely Mass and was led by bishop Paul Swarbrick. Last half term, we did some research about Paul Swarbrick when he was first appointed as the new bishop of Lancaster. It was great to finally put a face to a name!

We still have lots of exciting things coming this half term-including another trip to the high ropes, our upcoming trip to Eureka and a parent workshop (details to follow).

A busy final half term ahead-we're sure it will fly by!

Miss Mc & Mrs Acton

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