

STMS Newsletter 1st May 2018

Dear Parents

This is my first newsletter since we returned from the Easter break. Time has flown by since then and everyone is getting back in the swing of things.

I have a few notices I'd like to draw your attention to:-

Firstly, over the Easter holidays, Miss Francis got married and so Miss Francis became Mrs Stather. We wish her all the best for her married life.

Some of you may have seen on social media that Miss Ridd also had some exciting news, she is expecting her second child in October so we send her, Poppy and her husband all the best wishes.

We also heard the sad news yesterday of the death of Dave Jeffrey, Blossom Jeffrey's Dad. Blossom is in Year 4, Columba class. This must have come as incredible shock to the Jeffrey family and I ask you to keep them in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Finally, thank you to all those who have gone out of their way to ensure that summer uniform policy is adhered to. I know it has been difficult to get a navy gingham summer dress as opposed to a blue one. It is important that they are uniform and therefore navy. I have spoken with one or two parents about the blue dresses and they are making the effort to change them for navy ones which I appreciate greatly.

After Easter each year, children can wear Summer Uniform. Please make sure you read the guidance on uniform enclosed to ensure you are complying with school policy. There are many summer dresses on the market which do not conform to our policy. They must be Navy Gingham and I always say, the simpler the design the better. We are very proud of the way our children present themselves and I thank you for helping to make our uniform truly UNIFORM!



School Dinner cost change

The cost of school dinner will increase from £2.15 to £2.30 from September 2018.

Tommy's Childcare

We offer breakfast and after school club every day. Breakfast club starts from either 7.45am (£4.00 a session) or 8am (£3.00 a session), the children are offered a range of breakfast cereals and toast and there are plenty of games and fun to be had!

After school club runs until 4.30pm (£5.00) or 5.45pm (£10.00) the children are provided with a range of snacks and entertained with fantastic games and activities.

If you are interested in hearing more about our childcare, please contact Mrs Miller.

School Photographs

Class photographs will take place on Thursday 10th May 2018

St Thomas Mores Catholic Primary Quiz Night School PTA

To be held at St Thomas Mores Catholic School

Friday 18th May 2018

Open from 7pm, Quiz starts at 7.30pm

Teams of up to 8 - £5 per person

Includes hot food, Bring your own drinks

Church News

3rd May, Healing Mass

19.30pm, St. Michael and All Angels, Leigh Park.
Details on flyer at back of churches.

4th May, Healing Mass and individual healings

10am-12.30pm, St. Michael and All Angels, Leigh Park.
Details on the flyer at the back of the churches.

The Life of Christ at the Wintershall Estate

10am - 3.30pm, Tuesday 19th - Saturday 23rd June.
Anyone interested in going to this outdoor re-enacting of the events of Jesus' life please contact Tim Collins on 07597 902033, 02392 473385 or at tim.collins65@ntlworld.com

Prices: £20 adults, students (19-25) £12,
Seniors (65+) £18, children (3-18) £12.50 and
family (2 adults & 2 children) £50

ITEMS FOR YOUR DIARY

| Date | Time | Event |
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| Thursday 10 th May | | School Photgraphs |
| Friday 22 nd June | 10.00 – 11.00 | Feast Day Mass |
| Friday 29 th June | 14.00 – 15.00 | SS Peter and Paul Feast Day Mass |
| Monday 2 nd July | 10.00 – 11.00 | Phoenix Class Mass (Phoenix parents only) |
| Tuesday 3 rd July | 10.00 – 11.00 | Delphinus Class Mass (Delphinus parents only) |
| Wednesday 4 th July | 10.00 – 11.00 | Columba Class Mass (Columba parents only) |
| Thursday 19 th July | 14.00 – 15.00 | Leavers Mass |
| Monday 23 rd July | | INSET DAY |
| Monday 3 rd September | | INSET DAY |
| Tuesday 4 th September | | First day back after holidays |

Uniform Details

Essential items -

- White tailored shirt
- The school tie is dark blue with narrow red and yellow diagonal stripes
- Tailored school trousers, skirt or pinafore in mid grey (No culottes)
- The V-neck sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan is navy blue.
- Girls white socks or grey tights
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- Boys and girls - flat, closed dark shoes
- PE KIT - Navy P.E. shorts, plain white top and plimsolls to be kept in a drawstring bag. Children will also require warm P.E. clothing for cold weather - preferably navy blue jogging trousers and sweatshirt or navy blue tracksuit.

Optional Items -

- Children may wear Trainers instead of plimsolls for outdoor PE
- If a summer dress is worn, it should be in French navy gingham
- Fleece Jackets embroidered with the school name
- Boys may wear tailored short trousers in the Summer Term

Hair and Jewellery

- In the interests of safety children should not wear jewellery to school. (Exceptions - Medical Alert bracelets/necklaces. Small stud earrings are permitted only if the child can independently remove them for PE lessons and put them back in afterwards. If a child is not able to do so then small stud earrings may only be worn for six weeks after piercing, but must be covered, before school, by paper tape on P.E. days. This includes Non-School Uniform days. A watch may be worn but will need to be removed for P.E. lessons.)
- No Make-up including nail varnish
- Long hair should be tied back with a very plain navy blue or white hair bands, small bobbles or clips. **Large bows and hair accessories are not allowed. Extreme hairstyles and colouring are discouraged.**