



# ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Newsletter 20 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### Summer Disco Parties

Thank you to everyone who has bought tickets for the Summer Disco Parties that are taking place after school today. There was a real sense of excitement and anticipation in school today and we are looking forward to dancing, party games and lots of fun when the children come back to school in their party clothes later on. A little reminder that children will be coming into school for their Disco Party via the main entrance but leaving school from their classroom door at the end.

### Feast of St Peter & St Paul / Leavers' Mass

Children in Years 2-6 attended a very special Mass on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June. During the Mass we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart, the Feast of St Peter and St Paul and also our Year 6 children who are preparing to leave St Patrick's at the end of term. All the children were tremendous and our Year 6 children did a wonderful job with different readings, the offertory procession and a beautiful song / dance after Communion. Please see <https://st-patricks-catholic-southport.secure-primariesite.net/news/detail/leavers-mass-1/> We are incredibly blest to have lots of opportunities to attend Mass and different celebrations. A big thank you to Fr John who spends so much time with our children throughout the year, in school and in Church.

Our children's singing in Church is second to none and class teachers chose children who really try hard with their singing (in hymn practice, Mass and music lessons) to receive the Headteacher Award last week. It was a tough choice – very well done, children!

Oscar D - Rec S	Bethany B – 1S	William B – 2S	
Iris P – Rec P	Charlotte McL – 1P	Arthur J – 2P	
Florence P – 3S	Ollie G - 4S	Logan W – 5S	David C – 6S
Sophie A – 3P	Rosie M – 4P	Connie B – 5P	Jakub M – 6P

### With You Always

We sent out a letter from Fr John last week, via email, to all parents of children in Year 3 with regards to the With You Always programme. Children participate in this programme in preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Holy Communion). If your child is in Year 3 and you have not received this communication, please contact the school office and Miss Leight can forward you the letter accordingly.

If you would like to attend Mass during the week or at the weekend, please see below for the current times:

**St Marie's:** 12 noon Tuesday to Saturday, 8.30am and 10am Sunday

**St Patrick's:** 10am Thursday, 6pm Saturday, 11.30am Sunday

### Summer Reading Challenge

Yesterday we welcomed Mike and Sue from Southport Library into school to talk to us about the Summer Reading Challenge. This year's challenge is called Story Garden and there are stickers and some other goodies to collect along the way. To take part in the challenge, children need to read six books during the summer holidays, taking out two books at a time and then returning them to complete each section of the challenge. Children who complete the challenge will receive a certificate on return to school in the autumn term. We can't wait to see how many of you take part!

### Southport Learning Partnership (SLP) Event

Congratulations to Elizabella D, Lucas T and Oliver B who represented school brilliantly on Wednesday at an event for School Councillors from different schools across Southport. The children shared the work that we have been doing throughout the year to support different charities with members of the local community and were absolutely tremendous. Thank you to the children and to Mrs Williams who works so hard with our School and Eco-Councils and accompanied the children to the event.

## Headteacher Award – Respect

As we strive to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, respecting others and the world around us is so important. Created as unique individuals in the image and likeness of God, we embrace and celebrate our differences at school and value each other for who we are. Class teachers chose children who are wonderful examples of this to receive the Headteacher Award this week. Well done children!

Toby T - Rec S

Isaiah A – Rec P

Lottie G – 3S

Lily W – 3P

Harriett R – 1S

Benjamin M – 1P

Finlay J – 4S

Sapphire M – 4P

Hugo C – 2S

Gabriella G – 2P

Lily-Rose U – 5S

Oscar H – 5P

Caden G – 6S

Noah T – 6P

## Thank You Clive!

Clive Baines is one of our parishioners and he supports school in a number of ways. Recently, he visited children in Year 1 to talk about his role as an Altar Server in Church. Clive also works hard to help look after the gardens at Church and our school Veggie Patch. He will be working with Year 1 over the next couple of weeks to decorate some stones. Some of these will be shared with people who are sick and housebound and some will be placed around the Church grounds. Year 1 are very much looking forward to this. Thank you Clive for all the time, energy and enthusiasm you share with our children and staff.

## Football Tournaments

Children in Year 6 are looking forward to 2 football tournaments next week. Year 6 children who have not played for the schools' football teams to date have been invited to participate in a tournament with other local schools on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July after school. The girls' football team are also playing in a tournament on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July. This will be their final tournament of the year. A huge thank you to all our footballers and to Mrs Garlick, Mrs Farley and Mr Jacques who have coached the teams and accompanied them to matches. This is a big commitment and we appreciate the staff being so generous with their time.

## Attendance

Thank you to everyone who is committed to ensuring that their child is in school as much as possible. Congratulations to 1P and 6P who have had 100% attendance this week. Children miss so much when they are not in school. There are lots of different activities taking place over the final couple of weeks, some of which are to support children's transition to their new classes. It would be lovely to see everyone here every day before we finish for the summer holidays.

## Hot Dinners/ Packed Lunches

As we approach the end of the academic year, your child/ren may be considering moving on or off school dinners in September. We ask that you provide 2 weeks notice to the office for children changing to/from school dinners. Therefore, please could you notify the office prior to the end of term if your child/ren will be changing from September. For Year 2, we are asking that the reply slips are returned to the class teachers for all the children. Many thanks.

## Year 6 Events

### **Year 6 Production - Rock Bottom:**

Children brought home tickets yesterday for their performances which are taking place on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July & Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 6.15pm**. The children have been working incredibly hard to prepare for these performances and we are so proud of them. The rest of the school will have an opportunity to see Rock Bottom next week also. A huge thank you to parents who have been so supportive with costumes. We really do appreciate your help with this.

**Leavers' Assembly:** The Leavers' Assembly will take place on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 10am** in the school hall. All parents are most welcome to attend.

**Leavers' Lunch:** In line with tradition, school will be treating children in Year 6 to lunch from McDonald's on **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**. We will send more information about this nearer the time.

