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18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

The children who have been taking part in the Sacramental programme this year will be celebrating their First Holy Communion at St John Bosco Church on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 10am. We wish them all peace and joy on their special day.



### Breakfast Club

Please can I ask all parents to ensure occasional places for Breakfast Club are requested at least the day before and earlier if possible using the request form on the school website <http://www.st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk/page/breakfast-club> or via email. Some of the sessions are now completely full and we need to ensure there is space to accommodate your child. We may not always be able to accommodate requests made on the day. Invoices for the second half of the summer term for parents who pay half termly will be sent out next week.



### Retirement

After 15 years working at St John Bosco, Mrs Hamilton will be retiring on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May. We will be saying goodbye to her at our Friday morning assembly next week, to which parents are as always invited.

### Sponsored Spell

Thank you to everyone who has brought in money for the sponsored spell. Not only have the children succeeded in learning their spellings, but we have also had an amazing response to the sponsorship and the amount raised is now almost £2000. Look out for our new playground developments over the next few months.

### Term time absence

A reminder to all parents that in line with DfE guidance, absence for holidays during term time will not be authorised and may result in a penalty notice being issued. The Department for Education (DfE) guidance on school attendance explains that headteachers should not grant leave of absence unless there are 'exceptional circumstances'.

### myHappyMind

As you may have heard from your children, we are running a program at school called myHappyMind which is about helping children to understand how their brain works and to help them to be their very best selves! There is an App for parents to download for free, available on Google Play and the Apple store. Using the App children can continue to practice some of the habits they have been learning about at school e.g. happy breathing and also complete quiz's based on what they have learnt through myHappyMind. When they complete these exercises, they earn brain points, which can be used to personalize a character and send this to the school to share via email (this option is found in the parents corner section). Please use the school email address [contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk) We will display the children's characters at school to showcase their creations. More details on the school website.



National Association for Able Children in Education

## School website

We try to keep our school website as up to date as possible. Please do have a look at our newly updated RE section for information about the Catholic life of our school and the RE curriculum <http://www.st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk/page/religious-education>

## Our Local Area

Occasionally parents come into school to alert us to problems in the area around our school. We try to maintain our school grounds in a good state of repair, but if you do have any concerns about the wider local environment please register your concerns on the Manchester City Council website [http://www.manchester.gov.uk/homepage/904/litter\\_and\\_flytipping](http://www.manchester.gov.uk/homepage/904/litter_and_flytipping)

## Attendance

Attendance for the last two weeks:

Week ending 4<sup>th</sup> May 98.1%

Week ending 11<sup>th</sup> May 97%

Winning Class Nursery with 99.6%

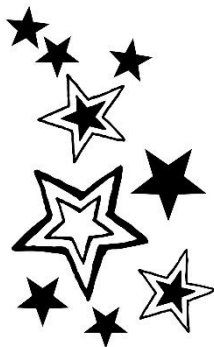
Winning Class Year 4 with 100%

Well done to Nursery and Year 4. Year 4 will have a non-uniform day on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May as a reward.

## Awards

Congratulations to all the children who received awards in assembly for the last two weeks – well done.

<i>Denzel-Dag</i>	<i>Ava</i>
<i>Walls</i>	<i>Charlie</i>
<i>Abel</i>	<i>Mollie</i>
<i>Serenity</i>	<i>Vincent</i>
<i>Charlie</i>	<i>Lily</i>
<i>Ruby-Mae</i>	<i>Riley</i>
<i>Jayden</i>	<i>Lewis</i>
<i>Tomasz</i>	<i>Victoria</i>
<i>Dean</i>	<i>Olivia O</i>
<i>Etinosa</i>	<i>Tianna</i>



<i>All of Nursery</i>	
<i>All of Reception</i>	
<i>Lewis</i>	<i>Cora</i>
<i>Jude</i>	<i>Matilda</i>
<i>Harry</i>	<i>Aisling</i>
<i>Oskar</i>	<i>Artem</i>
<i>Macy</i>	<i>Aitor</i>
<i>Joe</i>	<i>Ryan</i>
<i>Mariana</i>	<i>Olivia W</i>
<i>Calum</i>	<i>Riley L</i>

## Dates for this term - Please note changes to the date for Sports Day

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 10am

Sacramental programme – First Holy Communion (St John Bosco Church)

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Class Photographs

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2.45pm

Parents Forum meeting

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Last day of term

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June

School opens for all pupils

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2.15pm

Mass for the Feast of St Peter and Paul (St John Bosco Church)

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** (weather permitting!)

Sports Day

9.30am

Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1

1.30pm

Key Stage 2

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 7pm (in school)

Leavers Mass

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2pm

Awards Afternoon

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Fun Day

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2pm

School closes for summer holidays

Next newsletter Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Mrs C Quinn  
Headteacher