



Head-lines

Welcome to our Summer 1 school newsletter. The Summer term always seems to fly by and this half term has been no exception! It's been a busy one, with exciting sports news, more performances from our choir, and a celebration of the Royal Wedding! All that, plus the dreaded SATs! There is plenty more to come next half term - KS2 concerts, sports days, transition days, Summer fairs and Wimbledon..... not strictly a school event I know, but a feature on my calendar I look forward to each year! Lets hope that the sun continues to shine and that we don't get any 'rain stopping play', either in CH43 or SW19! Hope you all have a lovely half term

Mr Turner

St Joseph's goes to Wembley!!

Really, there could only be one 'lead' story for this newsletter - the amazing achievements of our girls' football team playing in a final on the hallowed turf of Wembley.



It all started a few months ago when Mr Nayland entered our girls football team in to a national competition of regional stages. The National League Trust supports community programmes at football clubs who are members of the three divisions of the Vanarama National League. Teams from schools all over the country, representing their local National League member team compete for the NL Trust Trophy.

Our school team worked its way through the stages to a nail-biting regional final match in Bradford at the end of April. Mr Nayland drove the Tranmere Rovers mini bus there and back. I met the girls late that evening as they returned. I could hear the cheers from half way down Woodchurch Road, so I knew they were returning with good news! They had beaten a team representing Hartlepool 1-0 to secure a place in the final. The road to Wembley was set!

Saturday 12th May and the girls and their families were collected early from school to start the long journey down. Mr Nayland was doubly anxious, as his beloved Tranmere Rovers were also playing Boreham Wood for a place in the League. Before the Tranmere v Boreham Wood kick off, our girls were to play a team representing Woking FC.

It was a tense match, and our girls did us proud. We were ultimately beaten 3-1, but it will be a day they will never forget. After the match, the girls came back on the pitch as mascots for the Tranmere team.

Jessica, Hannah, Cody, Athena, Katie, Grace and Sofia - we are all so proud of you, we couldn't get a better representation of our

school, so thank you and congratulations. I hope you enjoyed your day and I'm pretty sure it won't be the last time we see you at a final.





Year Six sat SATs....

There was a collective sigh of relief on Thursday as the clock struck 12.00 as it marked the end of Year 6 SATs week. Our children sat tests in Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, Reading, Arithmetic and Mathematical Reasoning. I know how hard they have been working and I just want to take this opportunity to reassure them, that whatever the outcome of the tests, we couldn't be prouder of them. They are more than a 'Standard' and are all brilliant, unique, talented, wonderful individuals. I hope that they enjoy their last few months as pupils of St Joseph's - there is still a lot to do, with lead parts in concerts, Enterprise week, transition day and leaver's mass, as they prepare for the next stage of their education.

School Uniform for September 2018

We have had an update from the uniform shop that the new additions to our school uniform from September 2018 (blazers, ties, charcoal jumpers and tank tops) are starting to be delivered to the store. Over the next few weeks the full range of sizes should be available. A booklet was sent out with full details, but as a brief reminder, here is the table displaying options from September:

Y 3,4, 5,6	Blazer	White shirt	Red tie	Black/ grey trousers/ skirts	Grey jumper	Grey tank top	(Red Sweat shirt)
Y 1,2, F2	White shirt	White polo shirt	Red sweat shirt	Black/grey trousers/ skirt	Red tie		

The Wirral Uniform Shop offers a 'click and collect' service so that you can order from home and don't have to join the queues at the shop! The link can be found on the website www.wirraluniforms.com

Also a reminder that if your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, school can meet the cost of uniform. Please call in at the office to find out more.

Sun Safety

Without wanting to 'jinx' it, hopefully the sun will continue to shine when we return after half term! Please could you consider 'sun safety' when sending children in to school - make sure they have a water bottle, and apply suncream before sending them in. Children can bring in cream to 'top up', but please label the bottle, and children must apply it themselves and only to themselves. Children may also bring in hats and visors. The uniform shop above also sells these with school logo. I visited Y3 who were doing some great work on staying 'Sun Safe.' This advice comes courtesy of Y3!

Thought for the Term

During this term, we have celebrated Pentecost - that momentous occasion where the Disciples were given their mission of spreading the news of Jesus. For such an important job, they were given the gift and the power of the Holy Spirit. That same Holy Spirit has been given to each and every one of us to fulfil the mission God has given us. We are never alone - God is with us always.