

# St Charles Newsletter

## 28th June 2019



### Religious Life of the School

Today we celebrated a special Mass on the Feast of the Sacred Heart. You will remember that St Charles was founded by the sisters of the Sacred Heart in 1907. Originally St Charles was part of a training college for teachers. This tradition continues today as we offer placements to student teachers.

On Sunday the year 3s came together for their Going Forth Mass and party. Congratulations to them as they come to the end of their First Holy Communion programme.

### RE Home Learning

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:13-19

*Using the Wednesday Word reflect on the questions below with your family.*

*You will have an opportunity to discuss them next week in School.*

**Gospel reflection:** What do you remember from the gospel reading?

- In which country is Caesarea Philippi found today?
- What did Peter say that made him so special in the eyes of Jesus?
- Why did Jesus call Peter a rock? What future plans did God have for Peter?
- Peter became the first Pope. Can you find and list the names the last 5 Popes?

### School Survey

The annual parents' survey is available for you to complete. I am very grateful to the Communications Committee of the Governing Body who have put so much work into preparing this. We really appreciate your comments, so please take a few minutes to respond.

Please follow the link below or you can access this on the school website.

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/OLAQN/>

### Year 6 End of Year Assembly and Leavers' Mass

The Leavers' Mass will take place at 6p.m. on **Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July** in the School Hall.

On **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July**, the Year 6s will stage their end of year show at 9.30am.

### Energy Kidz - LAST CHANCE

Parents and Carers indicated a strong demand for the provision of after school childcare, although this didn't translate into bookings and meant that the launch has been postponed until the start of next term.



Energy Kidz need to receive sufficient bookings to go ahead with the service so please be sure to register and book before the cut-off date on **1<sup>st</sup> July** when a decision will be made about whether the club will be able to launch! Details are on the school website and information leaflets are available in the office.

### Safety

In order to keep our site secure please under no circumstances let others through the gate when you are coming through.

The office have primary responsibility to manage access to the school, but we all bear a collective responsibility in ensuring our children are safe.

Thank you for your cooperation.



### Uniform

Good news! The Governors have considered and decided not to put up uniform prices from September. Instead, the school will be subsidising a number of items on the basis that St Charles is a uniform school and all our pupils need to take pride in wearing the correct uniform each day.

### E-Safety Workshop - 4<sup>th</sup> July

On 4<sup>th</sup> July, Belinda Evans from 3BM will be delivering an E-Safety workshop to parents / carers of children in KS2. This will take place in the school hall at 9.10am and we hope to see as many parents / carers as possible at this event.



### School Fair - 12<sup>th</sup> July

Thank you to all of you who have offered to help in running our school fair on 12<sup>th</sup> July. The team will be running a bottle tombola and a cake stall. Please drop any donations in the office.

This year, there will be a uniform stall as well. This will be an opportunity for you to buy items of uniform including school coats at a significantly reduced cost. If you have items you would like to donate, please do so. We would ask that they are clean please!

Katie Haines and her team will be grateful for any help and support. If you can help, please let Paulette know and she will pass on your details.

The group really needs helpers!

## British Heart Foundation

This week, KS1 and KS2 classes met Millie a cardiac radiographer who spoke to our pupils about how they can and should look after their heart.



The British Heart Foundation's (BHF) research helps us understand a lot more about how our hearts work, how to keep them healthy, and when they go wrong how to heal them.

Euan Kelly's dad, Jonathan, is cycling the Ride London in August, 100 miles around London and through Surrey, in aid of the BHF this summer. In order to support this worthy cause, we are holding a mufti day on **9<sup>th</sup> July** when children are invited to wear red (the colour of the BHF) for **£1 or more**.

## Leave requests

Headteachers are only permitted to authorise leave in exceptional circumstances which are deemed to be emergencies.

**If permission is not sought or given, parents could be served with a penalty notice which will be issued by the Local Authority.** It is not a parental right to take leave during term time. Children with attendance above 95% make the best progress both nationally and at St Charles. Please ensure that your child is at school every day unless he/she is unwell.

## Attendance

Whole school attendance so far this year stands at 96.34%. Our target remains at 96.5%.

Please work with us to improve this before the end of term.

## Parent/Carer's Punctuality, drop off & collection arrangements

School starts at 9a.m. for all pupils and finishes at 3.05pm for Nursery and 3.15pm for the main school. Children should be picked up punctually from the designated areas. Please make suitable arrangements to be at school on time every day, come rain or shine. Records are kept of pupils who arrive late at the start of the day and who are late being collected at the end of the day.

A letter was emailed home today regarding our new electronic system to sign in late arrivals and collection but also to sign out your child for any appointments during the school day.

## Be sunsmart

Please remember that on sunny days children need to bring in a sunhat to wear during breaks, and a bottle of water to school every day to ensure they are hydrated and have access to water at all times.



## Sports Day

Thank you to Miss Barter who arranged the Sports Day for Nursery and Reception today and who is busy arranging our Sports Day for KS1 and KS2 next week Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> July. Separate letters have gone home about these 2 events.

## Staff Training Day - Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019

Please take note that school will be closed for the children on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 for staff training.

## Learning and Action Heroes

Congratulations to the following children who were recognised for making good choices during the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> June:

	Action Hero	Learning Hero
	17/06	17/06
RA	Lucas	Blessing
1S	Sean	Nathan
1/2F	Phoebe	Imran
2T	Katelyn	Kimberley
3D		
3/4B	Stephany	Ethan
4B	Olivia	Pio
5A	Tania	Iria
5/6H		
6F	Mateus	Emmanuella

## Term Dates 2018-19

### Summer Term - 2019

Staff Training - Monday

1<sup>st</sup> July - School Closed

Last Day of School - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July - 1.45pm -



Summer Holidays ☺

## Term Dates 2019-20

### Autumn Term - 2019

#### First Half Term

Staff Training - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - School Closed

First Day of School - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Last Day of School - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Half Term - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October

#### Second Half Term

First Day of School - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Last Day of School - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December -

1.45pm - School Closed

Holidays - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020