



Dear Parents,

The summer half-term is on the horizon!

Please read on for some important information regarding this term...

Uniform

Summer uniform should be worn during this summer school term:

- Girls – summer dresses (blue and white check) and blue cardigans
- Boys – light blue polo shirts with either grey shorts or trousers and grey jumpers
- Parents of nursery children can choose whether to send their children into school wearing a summer uniform or their usual tracksuits.



Please remember jewellery, shaved hair patterns and distinctly contrasting hair styles are not permitted. Children should wear school shoes to school – ankle boots and **trainers** are **not** permitted. Please also ensure long hair is tied back. We have also had some issues with the amount of beads in children's hair – these are rattling and causing a distraction to the child wearing the beads and to others in class – one bead on the end of braids seems sufficient. We would appreciate parents reminding their boys to tuck their shirts in also! Thank you. At St. Joseph's we have high regard for looking smart, ready for school and well presented – we always appreciate your support with this as it is a collective responsibility to reflect our high standards.

Administrational Notices

School Absences

Please remember that if your child is absent from school the following procedure must be followed:

1. Contact the school office by telephone to inform the school at the earliest possible time. The school office is open from 7:30am onwards.
2. Record the date, duration and reason for your child's absence in writing, which will be retained in our office records.
3. All medical appointments must be confirmed with an official appointment card or letter, including dental appointments.



St. Joseph's prides itself on maintaining a good standard of pupil attendance. Please continue to support us with this and remember to book family and annual holidays within school holiday times.

Warm Weather (well... fingers crossed!)

We will be reminding the children of how to play safely in the coming warm weather (should we be so lucky!) during break-times. Please remember school caps can be purchased from the office and these are advisable for sun protection. Also sun cream should be applied before school on your child's face, neck, arms and legs.



Water bottles remain part of the school uniform. Please ensure these are brought to school full.

Important Dates

- We break for the summer half-term – Friday 22nd May at 3:15pm
- We return to school after the summer half-term break on Monday 1st June at 8.55am.



Our school sports days are on the following dates:

- Reception and Key Stage One – Wednesday 10th June, (doors open at 1:30pm)
- Nursery – Thursday 11th June, (doors open at 1:45pm)
- Key Stage Two – Friday 12th June, (doors open at 1:30pm)

Our last *INSET* day of the academic year is on Monday 22nd June. School is closed to all pupils on this day. Please record this date for your reference.

The school term dates for the next academic year 2015/2016 were distributed in February earlier this year. They are also available on our school website, (web address detailed at the top of this letter), or upon request at the school office. Please keep these dates for your future reference, especially when organising family holidays *ensuring* these do not fall in term time - Thank you.

If you have any questions regarding our school policies, procedures or any items in this newsletter, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with Mr Macauley through the school office.

Many thanks, *St. Joseph's School*