

St Fidelis Catholic Primary School

6 May 2022 Newsletter



YEARS 4, 5 & 6: WE NEED YOU!

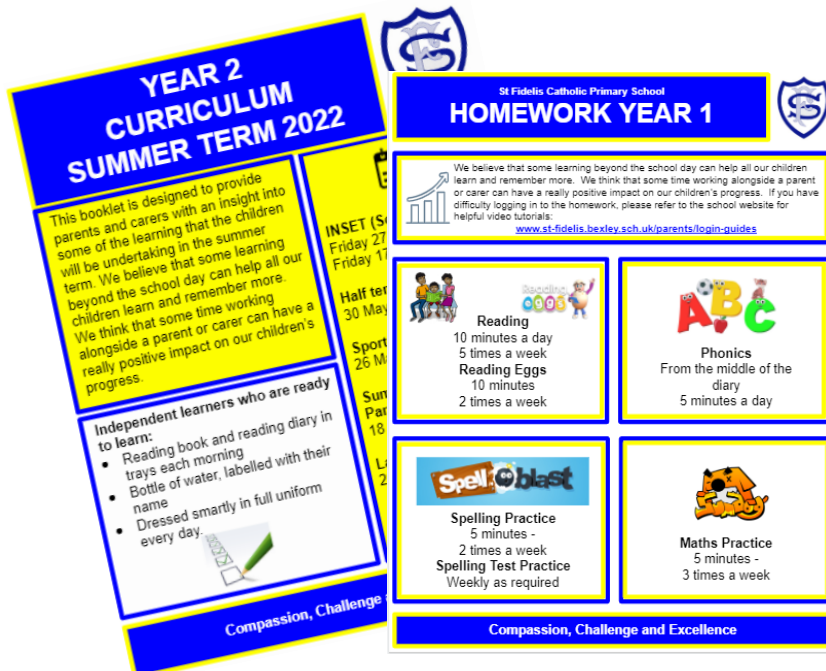
On Saturday 7th May, our Year 3 children will be making their First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Angels. It has been a long standing tradition that the children from Years 4, 5 and 6 support our children in Year 3 by coming to sing at one of the two Masses - 10:30am or 1:30pm. We know that their singing makes this occasion very special. As a thank you for giving up your time, our Year 4, 5 and 6 children who come and sing will be invited to attend a movie night here in school at a later date. Thank you in advance for being there - please complete -



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CURRICULUM LETTERS

Last week, our termly curriculum letters were sent out for all year groups. These letters contain information about what the children are learning during the summer term, details of homework as well as other key dates. They are also available on the school website under the Parents section.



CONTACT DETAILS

From time to time contact details may change, for example following a house move or a change to phone number. We would be grateful if you could let the office know of any changes to your address, contacts or phone numbers so that we hold the most up to date information. Thanks for your support with this.



8:50AM START

A reminder that our school gate opens at 8:30am each morning and closes at 8:50am, giving parents a 20 minute window within which to drop our children to school. We would be grateful if all children could be in school promptly by 8:50am so that they are ready for the day of learning ahead. Arriving after the gate has closed means missing valuable learning time.



TEACHING ASSISTANT VACANCY

We are currently advertising for a fixed-term contract teaching assistant for 30 hours per week required to start September 2022. The advert can be found at the end of the newsletter. The closing date for applications is noon Monday 6th June.

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PLATINUM JUBILEE LUNCH

On Wednesday 25th May the school will be hosting a lunch party menu to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee for all children. The cost of the lunch will be £2.40 to be paid via my child at school for years 3,4,5,6. If you receive free school meals or your child is in Reception, year 1 or year 2 you will not be required to pay.

If you would like your child to take part please complete this form by **Friday 6th May 2022**. No more requests will be accepted after this date. <https://forms.gle/wW8cWfPmijk174Zr5>

PLATINUM JUBILEE COMPETITION

All children are invited to make a portrait of the Queen using whichever medium they wish too. For example you might like to use traditional items such as paint or pencils, or you may want to be more creative with things such as dried pasta or wool. All entries (from Years 1-6) will get hours for St Fidelis University and one winner from early years, key stage 1, lower key stage 2 and upper key stage 2 will be awarded a prize at our Platinum Jubilee celebration on the 25th May.



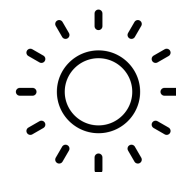
Entries are due in to class by Friday 20th May. Please make sure you include your name and class on your entry. We cannot wait to see the creative entries.

NURSERY STAY AND PLAY

Nursery's stay and play will now be a weekly occurrence at 9am and 12:15pm on Tuesday's. The session will be 20 minutes long. You do not need to book, just simply turn up and play!

SUMMER UNIFORM

If parents wish, children can now wear summer uniform. It would be useful if the children could bring a water bottle (sports caps please in order to reduce the chances of spillages), baseball cap (labelled with name and class please) and maybe even get into the habit of applying sun cream (we can but hope!) before coming into school. At the same time (because the weather is what it is) it is still useful for the children to bring coats to school.



Summer uniform:

- boys can wear grey shorts or trousers and a white polo shirt
- girls wear a light-blue and white checked dress. Year 6 girls may wear a white polo shirt with their navy blue skirt or grey trousers.

SCHOOL MEAL CHARGES

School meals are charged at £2.40 per day (£12 per week). We request at least two weeks notice if you would like to change your child from school meals to packed lunch or vice versa. Please see below for costs of school meals for the Summer term.



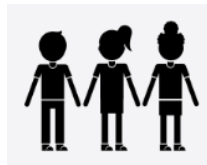
Tuesday 19th April - Thursday 26th May 2022	Total for first half term (27 days) = £64.80
Monday 6th June - Wednesday 20th July 2022	Total for second half term (32 days) = £76.80
Total cost for Spring Term 2022 = £141.60	

SCHOOL FOOD BANK

Our school food bank is open every Monday from 9am to 3pm. If you would like to collect a couple bags of groceries please contact the school office. If you are unable to come on Mondays, just speak to a member of the office so that a collection can be arranged.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

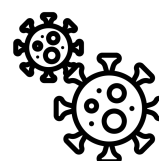
We are happy to announce that this term, class assemblies will go back to happening in person in our school hall. Parents are more than welcome to attend their child's class assembly. Please see below for a list of dates. Assemblies will start promptly at 2:45pm.



Date	Year group assembly
Friday 6th May	Puffins
Friday 20th May	Kestrels
Friday 10th June	Penguins
Friday 1st July	Hawks

COVID

Public Health Bexley advises that children may return 3 days after testing positive for Coronavirus and adults may return to usual activities 5 days after testing positive for Coronavirus. Please remember, do not come to school if you are displaying any possible symptoms of coronavirus. Please continue to keep us informed if your child tests positive for coronavirus so that we can continue to monitor the numbers of cases in school. To do this please send an email to admin@st-fidelis.bexley.sch.uk with the subject line: URGENT - Positive Coronavirus Case.



Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark Hannon".

Mark Hannon
Executive Head Teacher

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Catherine Quirke".

Catherine Quirke
Head of School

SUMMER TERM - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

4 - 13 May 2022	Year 2 SATs assessments	Morning
7 May 2022	First Holy Communion Mass - Penguins	10:30am Our Lady of the Angels
7 May 2022	First Holy Communion Mass - Kingfishers	1:30pm Our Lady of the Angels
9 - 12 May 2022	Year 6 SATs assessments	Morning
13 May 2022	Aspirations Day for KS2 children	1.30pm to 3pm
17 May 2022	Year 6 Trip to London Docklands Museum	9am to 3.30pm
17 May 2022	Communion Celebration - Year 3 children to wear their Communion outfits to school	9am to 11am
17 May 2022	Puffins trip to the Tate Modern	All day
18 May 2022	Year 1 trip to Belvedere Gurdwara	All day
19 May 2022	Hawks trip to the Tate Modern	All day
25 May 2022	Red, white, blue or dress like royalty day for Her Majesty the Queen's 70th Jubilee	All day
26 May 2022	KS2 Sports Day	9.15am to 10.45am
26 May 2022	KS1 and Reception Sports Day	1.30pm to 3pm
26 May 2022	Nursery Sports Day Full time children will do both times, am or pm children will attend the time occurring during their session.	10am and 2pm
27 May 2022	Inset Day - School Closed	All day
30 May to 3 June 2022	Half Term - School Closed	All day
6 June 2022	Return to School after Half Term - School Open	8.50am
7 June 2022	Year 6 Trip to Kidzania, Westfield	8.45am to 5pm
14 June 2022	Parents Meeting for children starting Reception in September 2022	6pm
16 June 2022	Nursery animal encounter	10.15pm - 1.30pm
17 June 2022	Inset Day - School Closed	All day
24 June 2022	Grandparents Day	1.45pm to 3pm
30 June 2022	Children's University Graduation Invitations will be sent to graduates closer to the time	4pm and 6pm

4 July 2022	KS1 Achievement Assembly	2.30pm
6 July 2022	Open Morning - Reception 2023-2024 prospective parents	9.30am
6 July 2022	KS2 Achievement Assembly	2pm
12 July 2022	Year 6 Play - Afternoon Performance	2pm
13 July 2022	Year 6 Play - Evening Performance	7pm
14 July 2022	Bexley Music Festival at Fairfield Halls, Croydon	7pm to 9.15pm (approx)
18 July 2022	Drop-In Parents Evening following End of Year Report	3.45pm to 4.45pm
21 July to 5 Sep 2022	School Closed for Summer - School Closed	All day

6 Sep 2022	Start of Autumn Term - School Open	All Day
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TEACHING ASSISTANT
Bexley Scale 5 Point 051 –054
£11.82 –£12.03 per hour
Fixed-term contract until July 2023
Required to start September 2022

Hours: Monday—Friday

08:30-15:30

Total: 30 hours per week

We can offer you:

- Opportunity to work as part of a skilled team committed to the development of every child
- Children who have immense potential
- An environment that is amply resourced and well designed

For an application pack, please contact the school office:
admin@st-fidelis.bexley.sch.uk. Alternatively the pack can be downloaded from
the school website: www.st-fidelis.bexley.sch.uk.

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

Closing date: Noon Monday 6th June 2022

The school and all its personnel is committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and young people. This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure Application to the Criminal Records Bureau.

This post is considered to be a customer-facing position; as such it falls within scope of the Code of Practice on English language requirement for public sector workers. The school therefore has a statutory duty under Part 7 of the Immigration Act 2016 to ensure that post holders have a command of spoken English sufficient for the effective performance of the job requirements. The appropriate standards are set out in the person specification. These will be applied during the recruitment/selection and probationary stages.

