



# St Catherine's Catholic Primary School

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### Starting and Finishing Times

From September, in line with recent guidance from the DfE to ensure that all pupils in KS1 and KS2 have a six and a half hour school day, both KS1 and KS2 will finish at 3.15pm. Pupils in Reception will continue to finish at 3.10pm. Start times will remain the same for all pupils. Further details to follow on pick-up and drop-off arrangements for September.

### Second Hand Uniform Sale

In the week beginning the 11<sup>th</sup> of July, there will be a second hand uniform sale on the playground, starting at 2.45pm each day. If you would like to donate old uniform to this, please give them to the office before Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of July.

### Y4 Retreat

Last week Year 4 went on Retreat to the beautiful setting of Sussex Heritage Centre near Arundel, where we were treated and looked after fantastically by Maria and Naomi. The Theme of the Retreat was 'Corpus Christi' and the children completed a range of activities to support and enhance their knowledge and understanding of this very special feast. Activities included Spiritual Journaling, cotton bud painting of crosses, fingerprint crosses, split-pin people, pipe-cleaner people, bread intercessions, monstrance making and unpacking four different accounts of the Last Supper. The responses from the children were amazing showing sensitivity and real attention to detail.

We went on a sunny riverside walk as we journeyed to the Cathedral. There the children explored many aspects inside the Cathedral and had the opportunity to ask and answer questions. As an added bonus we were able to look at the carpet of flowers which had just been completed, in fact they were still sweeping up! Throughout the stay the pupils' attitude, engagement, manners and behaviour were exemplary and this is echoed in a message I received from Maria, 'It was a pleasure to have your group to stay.'



### St Catherine's Got Talent

This term we are welcoming back this much loved competition. It will run all through the week beginning the 11<sup>th</sup> of July with the final taking place on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of July. More details to follow.

**Word of the Week:** peculiar

### Forest School

Following the development of our outdoor area and Mrs Supriyadi completing her training, we are excited to announce that we will be running Forest School for certain year groups next year. More details to follow.

### Platinum Jubilee Book

Today, each family will receive their free book about the Queen to celebrate the platinum jubilee.

### Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Sports Day and made it such a fantastic day. On Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> of July at

2.30pm, parents are welcome to join us to watch the



individual KS2 races we missed out on that day.

### Garden Open Afternoon

To showcase the wonderful developments in our outdoor learning area, we will be hosting a Garden Open Afternoon on the 13<sup>th</sup> of July from 2.30-3.00pm. There will be informative garden tours and fresh produce available to buy.

### John 20:19-23

'Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke them.'

### Diary Dates

#### June 2022

Tues 28	Closing date for class photo
Wed 29	Missio Day
Thurs 30	Y6 Swimming
	Y6 St Oscar Romero Multisports

#### July 2022

Fri 1	YR Beach Trip
	Film Night (No Clubs)
Tues 5	Y6 Retreat Day
Wed 6	Y6 Transition Day
Thurs 7	KS2 Races at 2:30pm
Wed 13	Garden Open Afternoon 2:30-3pm