St Gabriel's Newsletter 8 July 2022

The Messenger



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'Nurturing Hearts and Minds'

Dear Parents and Carers,

July has arrived, though I'm not so sure if the summer has yet! (3) With less than two weeks remaining there is still much to do before the end of term.

Transition afternoons took place this week for children to spend time in their new classes ready for September... Y6 have visited their high schools... whilst St Thomas More hosted our Y5's last week on their annual retreat day. The parent activity afternoons again provide great enjoyment for our pupils, and hopefully you too, whilst we have also met with the parents of our new starters for a welcome event, again in preparation for September.

I am also pleased to inform Phase 3 of our roof works have been completed now with the final phase to be completed, hopefully sometime within the next 12 months. It is a huge relief to all of us that our building will be securely watertight for the foreseeable!

Y4 completed their retreat last week at Savio House which was a wonderful experience. We walked, we ate, we played games, we prayed, we danced and we laughed! Y5 are, as I write at Standon Bowers being challenged in their outdoor pursuits. The spirit in the camp yesterday was excellent!

And finally... A special acknowledgement too for our Y6 pupils who carried out SATs tests in May this year for the first time since 2019. Our results have been magnificent, and we are really pleased for all. Considering the journey all pupils have experienced in recent years, the results are even more remarkable. Over 80% of pupils achieved the expected standard in all subjects, which is notably higher than the national averages being reported. Our children are incredible - that's official.

Further detail on this will be shared before the end of term. End of year reports for all pupils will go next week.

Have a great weekend,

E J Byrne



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Safeguarding: Front Gates

We continue to monitor and review all safeguarding procedures both in and out of school, as with every school safeguarding pupils is the first priority. We have wanted to improve our front entrance gates for a while, and I'm pleased to say we will be installing an electronic entrance system (outside of the normal drop off and collection times) early next term. We are currently closing the main gates during the day in preparation for dealing with the delivery traffic that is constant throughout the day.



Alsager & District Foodbank - Home | Facebook

Thank you to everyone that has supported our food donations for the Foodbank. We desperately need further supplies for the summer holidays, so if you can spare tins, cereal, pasta etc they will be incredibly grateful.

Our FINAL day to receive tins will be on WEDNESDAY 13 JULY. Thank you.

Forthcoming Dates for diary	
2022	
Monday 11 July	New starters Sept 22 'Stay and Play' session
Tuesday 12 July	End of Year Thanksgiving Mass for leavers 9:30
Thursday 14 July	School Disco 4:30-5:30 EYFS/KS1; 5:30-6:30 KS2
Tuesday 19 July	Y6 Leavers Assembly 9:30 Y3 celebrate their Greek Day School closes for summer
SEEPTEMBER 2022	School reopens Tues 6 September YAY!

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'Funny Friday'

Last week I ate a clock. It was very time consuming (3) Thomas Bazell Y4

Q. Why was the cat scared of the tree?

A. They didn't like its bark! (3) Sebby Moran Y4

Q. What did one pyramid say to the other pyramid?

A. How is your mummy? (3) Isa Thorpe Y4