

Abbey News Friday 3rd September 2021 No. 1 Headteacher : Mr J McTernan Sutton Road, Erdington, Birmingham, B23 6QL Tel: 0121 373 1793 Email Headteacher's PA: <u>a.jackson@abbeyrc.bham.sch.uk</u> www.abbeyrc.bham.sch.uk http://twitter.com/AbbeyPrimary Erdington Abbey Mass Times Vigil Mass: 6:00pm (Saturday) Sunday: 8:00am, 9:15am (Children's Mass), 10:30am 12:00 Noon, 6:00pm. Parish Bulletin Please contact the Parish Hall on 0121 373 0143 for information about confessions.

This Sunday celebrates the Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Father will be wearing a green vestment.

Welcome Back to all our families, we hope everyone had a happy, healthy and safe Summer break.

We were delighted to see our pupils returning today, along with our first group of Reception children.

We will be re starting our whole school assemblies this half term and hope to begin inviting parents into class assemblies after October half term.

Changes to restrictions now allow for our pupils to attend the 10am Mass on a Thursday. We look forward to seeing you there.

New Date for Old Year 3 Holy Communions 2021

We are delighted that school and parish have been able to find a suitable date for our Year 4 pupils to make their First Holy Communion. These will take place on Saturday 25th September 2021.

School Uniform

Please remember that fashion haircuts or extreme haircuts are not permitted. A reminder of our unform can be found <u>here</u>

Water Bottles

Please ensure that all children have a water bottle in school with them every day. Children should only have WATER in bottles. Please support us in this. ALL Reception children will be given a water bottle when they start our school. If you need a replacement Abbey water bottle, these can be purchased from school via the shop on ParentMail.

Student Absence

Please inform school every day that your child is absent via ParentMail. If we do not receive a message first thing on the morning of their absence, you may receive a message via ParentMail from school, asking you to ring to confirm why they are not in school. Thank you for your support with this.

<u>PE Kits</u>

Please ensure that all PE kits are sent into school <u>on Monday 6th September 2021.</u> These will be kept in school until we finish for ½ term when they will be sent home to be washed.

All children will have received a new planner today.

This is an excellent way to communicate with your child's teacher who checks this planner each day. If your child loses their planner then you are able to purchase a new one via ParentMail

Dinner Money Payments for September to October 2021

Only pupils in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pay for a school dinner.

Please ensure that you keep your dinner money payments up to date via ParentMail. Cost £12 per week (£2.40 per day)

If you wish to pay for this next 1/2 term in full 3/9/21 – Thursday 22/10/21 cost will be £84.00

Cost of FRIDAY only dinners is £16.80

These amounts take into account any INSET days which you have been notified of.

It is parent's responsibility to ensure they inform the school office <u>in writing</u> if their child wishes to change their lunch arrangements. We need 2 weeks' notice if they wish to stop having school dinners.

You may be charged for meals that you have booked if you do not notify school

Remember if your child is moving into Year 3 in September you will need to pay for school meals.

Please ensure you have confirmed to the School Office in writing what your child's dinner arrangements will be in September.

Instrument Lessons in September for Year 4 and Year 5

Reminder that Year 4 and Year 5 children will have instrument lessons on the following afternoons

Tuesday afternoons Year 4 children – instruments will be allocated in September.

Friday afternoons Year 5 children - they will use the instruments they had in Year 4 this year.

Thank you in ensuring that children have their instruments in school for these lessons.

Reception Welcome Mass & Faith Breakfast

We look forward to welcoming all our Reception families to 9:15am Reception Welcome Mass in Abbey Church on Sunday 19th September 2021.

Following Mass we will be holding a Faith Breakfast in school – further details to follow.

Diary Dates w/c 6th September 2021 (Dinner Menu 2 here)

Reminder that our start and finish times are as follows. 8:40am start and 3:15pm finish (3:10pm for Reception classes) for all pupils.

Please note Reception children who are joining us in September will start at 10am until Monday 20th September 2021.

Wednesday 8th September 2021

Mary (Mother of Jesus) Birthday 10am Reception Group B start school for 3 days – tea & coffee for new parents until 10:30am

Thursday 9th September

Y6 Puppetry Workshop all day (children to wear PE kits)