



Parents' Update: Thursday 9th September 2021

Dear Parents,

Pope Francis's prayer request for September is that we pray for the challenges of humanity and mission of the Church.

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

The school is now fully underway for this current academic year. You can be proud of your children in the way that they have settled into school after the summer holiday: they are delighted to see their friends again, to begin the year with a new teacher and to be ready for all of the learning that they will encounter this year. At the time of writing, we have had a couple of very hot days and your children have managed themselves very well indeed.

We are settling down into the new term and the new school year, but have the ongoing understanding of changes that may take place in and around the pandemic. The first of these changes are going to be made from Monday afternoon.

End of the day Collection

- All children in Y1 and Y2 will be dismissed from the school hall at 3:15, so parents are to wait in the Cricket Green playground
- Children in Y3, Y4 and Y5 will be dismissed from their classroom doors, so parents are to wait outside the classroom
- Children in Y6 will be dismissed from the gate in the corner of the car park, so parents are to wait in the school car park
- The Early Years staff will speak to parents about drop off and collection points/routines

If you have more than one child in the school, it is probably best to collect the youngest one first.

Also, this is a timely reminder that the external gates are now locked at 8.55am – a change from the flexibility that we offered during the lockdown/bubbles period.

Breakfast and After School Club

For both drop off and collection, parents are not to walk through the Nursery canopy area, but instead use the covered walkway between Nursery and Reception, through the Y1 outdoor space and on past the ICT suite.

Assemblies and Mass

As you know we are now in the full swing of assemblies. Our Friday assembly is a celebration assembly. At this time, we are *not* inviting parents to attend, but as the year progresses we will open up the opportunities for you to attend these.

Our Monday assembly usually focuses upon the Gospel message from the Sunday before, in order to assist the children's understanding. The [Wednesday Word](#) also helps parents with this at home.

Education Sunday

This weekend sees Education Sunday, so we ask for your prayers and intentions for both our school and other educational establishments.



Meet the Teacher

Following our beginning of year risk assessment, this event will not be held within the school. Your child's class teacher will create a video by way of introduction and you will also receive an information sheet regarding the organization of the year group. This will also detail PE days (with apologies that there has been some initial confusion about these) and other such arrangements. I will also send you a video message, outlining our plans and expectations for the year.

Canons Celebration Event

As you know, the Canons has been renovated over the last couple of years and our children have had a say in this development. The celebration event takes place next weekend. I would love to have been able to attend, but need to travel to Nottingham to drop another of my children at university there.

As ever, if there are any questions or queries, please make contact to the school office or speak to myself or any of the staff that are present at the beginning and end of each day.

Yours sincerely,

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