

St Augustine of Canterbury Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 6,

As we approach the last term of Primary School for our wonderful Year 6 children, I wanted to write to you to share some upcoming events and activities we have planned for term 6.

Residential Trip - Parent information meeting

As included in the newsletter, a meeting for parents and carers of children attending the residential trip from the 13th to 15th July will take place in school on **Wednesday 8th June at 3.30pm**. It is important that you attend this meeting as it is an opportunity to share information regarding kit list, activities, accommodation and behaviour and conduct expectations.

Liturgy and Pilgrimage at Aylesford Priory

On **Thursday 23rd June 2022**, The Education Commission and Mission Together are hosting a day of Liturgy and pilgrimage at Aylesford Priory. *One Mind, One Heart* is a day for Diocesan primary pupils to come together and celebrate their unique place within God's global family. This will be a lovely day of reflection for our Year 6 children as they approach the end of Primary School. The event in Aylesford is free; however, we require a contribution for the cost of the transport which is £13.00 per child. A form will be available through Parentmail to provide consent and make payment.

<u>Great News!</u>

The children in Year 6 have taken part in a number of Safety in Action lessons provided virtually by Community Safety/Medway Task Force Team. As part of the PSHE sessions, the children were asked to design a Safety in Action Poster containing information they have covered through the course of their learning. The children were asked to send one poster to represent their class; they chose to send Sophia's poster. The Safety in Action Team asked a number of professionals to vote for their favourite competition entry and our class entry has won 1st prize!

The prize is an invitation for Year 6 to attend a special Safety in Action lunch at Rochester Fire Station. On **Friday 24th June**, the children will be able to see the operational station as well as engage with fire staff. There will also be Police officers with a police car they can sit in and representatives from the RNLI, Youth Service and the Road Safety Team.

Norse will be providing free transport and will collect the Year 6 children and staff from school in the morning and return them back again after the event in time for the end of the school day. Lunch will also be provided - they will have lunch bags provided by a catering company and will receive a request form nearer the time to enable the children to pre-select their sandwich option. We will use information in school to inform of any dietary requirements - please ensure that you have provided us with up to date dietary information.



We are very proud of the children and delighted that they will have such a valuable and fun day!

<u>Year 6 Transition – Police visit</u>

On **Monday 27th June**; to support the transition from Primary to Secondary School, Kent Police Schools Team have developed a short presentation to assist with the transition which will be delivered by one of the local schools Police Officers for Rainham to our children in Year 6.

Enterprise Afternoon

On **Friday 1st July**, the children will host their Enterprise Afternoon with Year 4. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop their entrepreneur skills, work collaboratively, manage finance and gain a sense of achievement in their efforts. The profits made from the sale of the **Year 6 goods** will fund their Year 6 party in the hall during the afternoon of **Wednesday 20th July** (further details to follow).

Transition Days

As part of the children's Year 7 transition, your child's new Secondary School will have been in touch with you regarding their specific school welcome arrangements. **Thursday 7th July** is the appointed day for all Year 7 transition, although some schools may have additional days for your child to attend (you should have details from your child's Secondary School regarding arrangements).

Transition Support

The Child Health Team are currently working on a project to support Year 6 children with the transition to Secondary School. They are planning workshops, an online support session for parents and carers and an updated transition guide for all pupils. The workshops will explore feelings about changing schools, managing the change and practical tips to prepare for the transition. Thank you for providing your preferred time for the online support session for parents, we will be in touch again when we know more details from The Child Health Team.

Year 6 Play

The children will perform their Year 6 play, 'Alice in Wonderland' on **Monday 11th** and **Tuesday 12th July 2pm**. This is always an enjoyable and collaborative experience for the children to share together.

Leavers Mass and Assembly

On the children's last day of school **Thursday 20th July**, the Year 6 children and staff will attend a special Mass in the Church for our Year 6 children and their families. The Mass will be held at the special time of **11am**.

Later on, in the afternoon at **2.45pm**, the children will share their Leavers assembly with Parents and Carers.

Term 6 will be busy with special events for all of the children and especially our fantastic Year 6 children who will be leaving us. This is a special milestone in their lives; we will support the children to ensure that they are prepared and ready for their new chapter in Secondary School with happy memories of their Primary School years.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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