

Newsletter No.16

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St Joan of Arc School
Growing together

Dear Parents & Carers,

Well done to our Year 6 children who worked very hard last week on completing their statutory SATs papers. Year 2 were completing theirs this week and all were done with a positive attitude. There is huge national debate about whether or not our children should have to go through testing as this age, but I can say with confidence

that all our children know that they are more than a score!

Claire Campbell




**PARENT
VOICE
COUNTS**

We had our introductory Parent Forum meeting yesterday. Many thanks to the class PA reps who were able to attend. In summary, we are planning on holding this meeting once a term and as parents you will be asked to submit in advance your agenda items. As a school we are always keen to further improve, as well as ensuring that we are meeting the needs of our community members.


Over the next few weeks, the children in Year 3 and 4 who attend various parishes connected to our school will be making their First Holy Communion. This is always a wonderful family occasion and I hope that all the children and their families have a lovely day. I look forward to an update in our assemblies after half term.





It's that time of year again when we are thinking about preparing for September. Some of you may be moving house and sadly looking for alternative schools. If your child is leaving us at the end of this academic year and they are not in year 6, please inform the school office via email as soon as is possible: info@st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

We also need to know the school they are transferring to so that we can complete the necessary transfer of records.



Thursday 25th May – St Joan of Arc Day. Mass at 9:00am led by the House Captains. Non-uniform day – children to wear their house colours.

Friday 26th May – school closed to children. Staff will be attending the Centre for Literacy in Primary Education, which is based near Waterloo to update their knowledge of literacy teaching.

Half Term holidays – Monday 29th – Friday 2nd June

Thursday 22nd June - Sports Day at Finsbury Park

Saturday 1st July - Summer Fete. The PA will be sending out separate communication about this. Please consider offering a couple of hours of your time to support this community event. As they say—'Many hands make light work!'

Enjoy a well-earned break when it comes, with hopefully some sunshine.