

# Newsletter No.17

Friday 9th June 2023



St Joan of Arc School  
Growing together

## Dear Parents & Carers,

It is unbelievable to think that we are in the final half term of the school year. I hope you all had a lovely half term and you managed to make the most of the sunshine.

We have had a really lovely celebration for St Joan of Arc Day, starting with the children celebrating

Mass. Reception attended for the first time and I have to say their behaviour was impeccable. All of the children responded appropriately to the readings and their singing was really lovely. Lots of parishioners approached me at the end of Mass to say what a credit the children were so, I am a great believer in passing on the good news to you.

*Claire Campbell*



## Hot weather



Just a reminder that during hot spells of weather, please ensure that your child has put sunscreen on before they leave in the morning. They also need a 'named' sun hat (whatever you have at home is fine).

I hope you all have a good weekend – it looks like the sun is going to shine all weekend.



## Summer Fete

This term is always busy with lots of community events including our wonderful summer fete, which is on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July. As part of the school's Christian 'Service' value, the Year 6 children will be running their own stall at the summer fete. It is called 'sweet jar hoopla'. The House Captains explained in Monday's assembly that they would like each child to recycle an old jam, pasta or coffee jar and fill it with sweets. These will then be used as part of their stall. Any support with this would be much appreciated. The summer fete is usually a lovely opportunity for the school to come together on an informal day so please put the date in your diary. More details of the summer fete will be forwarded soon by the PA. This year we are fundraising for the Tree Tops and Tree Roots Library areas which were installed early, so that every child could benefit from them this academic year. Have a look at the very impressive film

regarding our Tree Tops Library made by some of our year 5 pupils below:



<https://youtu.be/HoHufOD4DIk>



### Year Group Photos

Next week, we will be having year group photos taken on **Thursday (15<sup>th</sup>)**. Please ensure your child comes in full uniform. Year 6 will have their photos taken first to ensure those visiting their secondary schools are included in the picture. Year 3 and 4 who normally have PE on this day, will have their sessions on an alternate day (again look at Google classroom for more information).



Sports Day for the whole school including nursery, is on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**. Advanced warning – children need to be taken to Finsbury Park running track for 9am.

Please see the letter sent by Ms Kelly yesterday for more information.



### Parent Forum

Regular communication and consultation with parents and caregivers is very important to us. This forum is a valuable way to share information, views and suggestions for improvement.

All families are represented on the forum by their class reps. We held an introductory meeting just before half term and the first formal meeting is on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June**.

We have received a number of agenda items for discussion. Thank you for taking the time to send those in.

Minutes from the meeting and action points will be posted on the school's website.



### Year 2 Graduation Mass

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, our year 2 pupils will be marking the end of their Key Stage 1 era with a celebratory Mass. Throughout their time in the infants, they have developed their reading, writing and mathematical skills and are now ready for life in the juniors. I commend all the children and staff in year 2 who have worked tirelessly to achieve this milestone.

All parents/caregivers and families of year 2 pupils are welcome to attend the Mass. (23/6 9am)