



# Saint Martin de Porres Catholic Primary School

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*“Through Jesus we achieve our very best.”*

## Newsletter No 16 – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Attendance & Punctuality since last newsletter. Congratulations to Year 1 & Year 3!

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
% Attendance	97.4%	98.2%	88.4%	98.2%	93.9%	98%	97.8%
No of Lates	14	11	10	8	21	13	14
Whole school attendance this fortnight	96.1 %			School Target			96%

### DIARY DATES:

- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May. **SCHOOL CLOSSES** for Half-Term - 3.15pm
- **Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Teachers Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED**
- **Tue 4<sup>th</sup> SCHOOL RE-OPENS - 8.55am**  
No Mass  
Girls only Kwik Cricket Comp - King's Heath CC - 10am-2pm
- **Thu 6<sup>th</sup>-Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Year 6** Bikeability training - School - all day
- **Thu 6<sup>th</sup> Year 5** Kwik Cricket Comp - Harborne CC - 10am-2pm
- **Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Year 1** Assembly - 9am
- **Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Year 6** Kwik Cricket Competition - KHCC - 10am-2pm  
**Year 3/4** Athletics Event - Queensbridge School 4-5.15pm
- **Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Year 5** Mass *Pentecost* - 9am - All welcome
- **Tue 11<sup>th</sup>-Thu 13<sup>th</sup> Year 6** Bikeability training - School - all day
- **Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Academy** photo Class Groups/Leavers/Sport Teams - 8.30am-12pm
- **Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Catholic Athletics** - Alexander Stadium - 1-6.30pm
- **Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Year 4** Mass *Sacred Heart* - 9am - All welcome
- **Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Year 5** School Games Cricket Comp. - KHCC - 12.30pm
- **Fri 21<sup>st</sup> School Sports Day** - KS1 am/KS2 pm
- **Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> School Summer Fair** - 12-3pm  
Catholic Partnership Kwik Cricket Final - 10am-3pm
- **Tue 25<sup>th</sup> Year 2** Mass *St Peter & Paul* - 9am - All welcome
- **Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Cricket League Grand Final** - Sheldon Marlborough- 10am
- **Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Year 6** Rounders Comp. - Swanshurst School - 4pm
- **Sun 30<sup>th</sup> First Holy Communion Mass** - Church - 10-11.30am

June

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

Teachers Training Day



## SPORTS DAY

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Morning KS1 / Afternoon KS2

All welcome

Our school's



will be organised this year in collaboration with the Parish

and will take place on

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - 12-3pm**

Your Summer Fair needs you and your generous donations:

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

WEAR TRAINERS TODAY

and bring Bric-a-brac/toys/books.

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

WEAR TRAINERS TODAY and Fill-a-bag with sweets (KS1) or stationary (KS2).

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

Please send bottles for the tombola: shloer, cordial, wine, spirits, etc. (no squash, thank you, we have plenty).

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Please bring cakes and strawberries.

We also need your help on the day. If you can, please let Mrs Sullivan know.



## End-of-Year Class Trips

All the class trips have now been organised and letters have been sent out to inform you. Please make sure you return both permission slip and money to school by Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you.

June	Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 3</b> – Museum of Cannock
	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 2</b> – Weston-Super-Mare – 8am-6pm
	Thu 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 5</b> – Space Centre
	Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Reception</b> – Hatton Country World
	Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 1</b> – Think Tank
July	Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 6</b> – Go Ape! Cannock Chase
	Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Year 4</b> – Ackers Adventure



Congratulations to our school Football team who have remained unbeaten in 2019 and has successfully won the South Birmingham Division 2 Football League. This means for the first time ever, the school has won back to back Football league titles. Well done to all children who have played a part in this marvellous achievement.



will be in school on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** – 8.30am-12pm to take class groups, leavers and sport teams' photos.

Last week we played our first cricket match of the season where we beat St Bernard's comfortably by 100 runs to qualify for the second year running for the Catholic League



Cricket Finals. Brilliant all round performance by the team. After the Whitsun break, history will be made when our girls' Cricket team play in their very first competitive cricket competition. This is a proud moment for Miss Haydon who has worked tirelessly to raise the profile of cricket, but especially Girls' Cricket here at St Martin de Porres.



Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June

**Year 6 Bikeability** training starts straight after the Whitsun break. Each child participating has received a letter this week with all the relevant details and dates when they will take part in the training. School uniform is still to be worn as normal.

Children will get changed in school when they take part in the training. Bikes are to be left in the bike shelter on the days of your child's training, access to the bike shelter is through the pedestrian gate which will be open every morning from 8am and when school finishes at 3.15pm.



The last term of the academic year is always a busy one, with a lot of sporting events happening both in school time and after school. Can you please make sure any consent forms are sent straight back into school ASAP in order for your child to be able to participate and also for Mrs Guiden to know if any pack lunches are required.



**KIDS YOGA**

Thank you to those who replied to the letter about the children's Yoga club. This will run on for six weeks on Mondays and Wednesdays after school until 4.30 pm beginning on 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June.

The cost will be £5 per session. The club is open to children from all classes but limited to 12 places. If we have more than 12 children wanting a place on either day, we will run a waiting list. Please let Ms Sullivan know if you wish your child to attend.



With deep cuts to our budgets, the Save Our Schools campaign continues with a mass demonstration in London on 5<sup>th</sup> July. We encourage any parents who support the campaign to attend.

Coaches are being provided free of charge thanks to the fund raising and campaigning of a group committed to fighting the cuts to school budgets.

For further details, please contact Mr Gray.



Please remember to wash PE kits over the break and return them for the first day back after the break on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.



Congratulations to the following children who have celebrated their hard work and excellent behaviour with an afternoon tea!



**Rec** – Uthman & Fariha  
**Year 1** – Tiana & Ismail Shabbir  
**Year 2** – Ksenija & Amnah

**Year 3** – Torin & Amaya  
**Year 4** – Arham

**Year 5** – Erin  
**Year 6** – Kyra & Rosie



...to all our Muslim families