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Newsletter

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CLASS ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2009 - 2010

Classes for next year will be arranged as follows;

KEY STAGE 1		KEY STAGE 2	
CLASS	TEACHER (S)	CLASS	TEACHER (S)
Apple (Reception)	Mrs Bramhall	Beech (Years 3 + 4)	Mrs Pilkington
Oak (Year 1)	Mrs Lambert	Willow (Years 4 + 5)	Mr Findlay/Mr Butterworth
Elm (Year 2)	Mrs White	Eucalyptus (Years 5 + 6)	Miss Burke

We welcome back Mrs Lambert for the new school year, it's good to have her back as we have missed her presence in school.

Mrs Josephidou has secured a one year secondment opportunity as a lecturer in Early Years at the University of Cumbria. Her expertise will be greatly missed at our school but we wish her every success in her new venture.

PARENTS QUESTIONNAIRE - FINDINGS

Thank you for your response to our parent questionnaire last month (22% return). A résumé of its findings conclude that:

WHAT WE DO WELL

My child likes school.	100% agree
My child is making good progress.	100% agree
Teaching is good.	100% agree
Staff treat my child fairly.	100% agree
Children behave well.	100% agree
I feel comfortable about approaching school with a question/problem/complaint.	100% agree

WHAT WE COULD DO BETTER

My child is not bullied or harassed at school.	10% disagree
The arrangements for my child to settle in to school when he or she started are good.	6% disagree

Therefore in response to this we intend to do the following:

- Induction half days for new reception children in September have been reduced to one full week in order to assist parents with childcare arrangements.
- The School Council to canvas children for ideas to support children who feel vulnerable in school.

EMMA WAGGETT

We are sorry to pass on to you the news of the sudden death of Emma Waggett, a former pupil of St Bernadette's. Our prayers are with her family at this sad time. A Requiem Mass will be said for Emma at St Bernadette's Church next week on Wednesday, 15th July at 10.00 am.

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to the Kwik Cricket team who recently reached the semi finals in a local competition.

Well done to the children in Year 5 and 6 who won the Catholic Schools Rounders Competition.

Well done to the children in Year 3 and 4 who recently came joint first in the Netball High Five Tournament.

Our swimming team had fantastic success in the local schools' gala at Salt Ayre.

Unfortunately the regional finals at Old Trafford were cancelled on 7th July for our Kwik Cricket Team.

Thank you to all the children and staff who represent our school and always show a sense of fair play and a keen competitive spirit.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

As you are aware the wearing of our school jumper/cardigan with the school emblem will be mandatory from this September. You can buy our school jumpers/cardigans (£10) and ties etc from the school office each morning until 9.30 am or at the end of the school day. Thank you for your co-operation.

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

Instead of normal school dinners on Monday, 20th July our school kitchen will be serving food for a Teddy Bears Picnic which we will have on the school field. The children can choose from a selection of sandwiches, salad, sausage rolls and desserts which they will then take out to the school field. If you would like your child to have school dinners this day, please see Mrs Postlethwaite or send in a payment of £1.80 in a clearly marked envelope. Children not on school dinners will also have their packed lunch outside this day and all children are welcome to bring their teddy bear to the picnic.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

Your child will have their end of year report for you in their bag tonight.

END OF YEAR SCHOOL MASS

This will take place in church on Tuesday, 21st July at 9.15 am. All parents are warmly invited to attend.

END OF YEAR ASSEMBLY

This will take place in school at 9.30 am on Wednesday, 22nd July and will include a concert by the violins and flutes. Once again all parents are invited to attend.

**School closes on Wednesday, 22nd July 2009 at 2.00 pm
and re-opens on Thursday, 3rd September 2009 at 8.55 am.**

**MR G H MCKEVITT
HEADTEACHER**