

Newsletter

We work together, we play together, we laugh together, we pray together.

Forthcoming dates

- 10 June:** First Holy Communion
- 12 June:** First Communion Assembly (Y3 Parents)
- 15 June:** Junior sports @ Battersea 1pm-4pm
- 16 June:** Year 1 cake sale
- 22 June:** Infant sports @ St Luke's 2pm
- 30 June:** Reception Class assembly
- 12/13 July:** Parents' eve
- 17 July:** Year 6 play 6.30pm
- 18 July:** leavers' Mass Year 5 and 6 (parents welcome)

Please note that class trips are not added here. Please check your child's bag daily for further communication.

Oratory Church Garden Party

This year, the Oratory Church Garden Party will take place on 24th June from 12-5pm. If anyone is interested in helping out on the 'Children's Stall', or donating any 'new' toys, to raise funds for the Oratory Fathers, please could they contact Katherine Brown (katherinexbrown@gmail.com).

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to First Holy Communion tomorrow, the children have prepared so well, supported by Fr Edward, Mrs Graham and their class teachers. Thank you to all of the parents who have offered their help to prepare the hall and serve at the breakfast. Following queries from parents, I am sending another letter home today regarding security on school trips following the recent incidents in Manchester and London. As always, please do contact the school if you have any concerns.

Best wishes, Mrs Griffiths

First Holy Communion

Please pray for the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time tomorrow. This is a very special day for the children and their families on their spiritual journey and we wish them well. The children have had a rehearsal this week so that they are aware of where to meet before the Mass and where to sit in Church. Please remember that the children should be taken to the burgundy door at the back of the courtyard at 10.30am and parents and guests should take their seats in the main Church. Parents are invited to Monday's assembly at 9.30am where the children will be presented with their certificates.



Please support the school at the end of term:

It is nearing the time when you may be thinking about booking a summer holiday. Please may we take this opportunity to remind you that term ends on **Wednesday 19th July**. Even though term finishes on a Wednesday, families **should not** book holidays before this date, perhaps thinking that it will be acceptable for their child's holiday to begin on the previous Friday.

All holidays taken early will be reported to the local Authority, and parents may receive a penalty notice. Sickness absence at the beginning and end of term requires a doctor's certificate.

The end of the school year is a vital time in a pupil's academic and social development. Children are being taught particular skills and curriculum content in preparation for the next year group and transitions are important. Pupils who miss time in these last few days are at a disadvantage at the beginning of the next year group. Not only this, low attendance figures reflect badly on the school and cause significantly more administrative work for the school's leaders and office staff. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Rescheduled: Infants' Sports day 22nd June

The school made the decision to postpone infant sports day this week due to a wet weather forecast. The new date is Thursday 22nd June. From 2pm, the infant pupils will enjoy their races at St Luke's pitches. Please meet us in the pitch nearest the Church.

Parents wait on the left hand side, and pupils sit opposite, on the right. Year 5 'young leaders' will be assisting us. Remember that the children should wear their PE kits to school. Sun cream should be applied at home in the morning and they should bring their yellow school sun cap. Parents- don't forget to wear sensible shoes so that you can take part in the adults' races! Unfortunately, space prevents siblings in the junior classes from watching the event and they should be collected from school at the end of the day as usual.

Junior Sports Day Thursday 15th June

Our Junior sports day takes place this coming Thursday for years 3-6 from 1pm until 4pm.

- If you would like to come and watch, please meet us at Battersea Park Athletics track at 1pm.
- Infant siblings can be collected from school after lunch at 12.30pm but must be supervised throughout the afternoon. Siblings ARE NOT ALLOWED to play in the long jump sand or bounce on the high jump mats. Unfortunately, each year, school staff have to remind a few families to supervise younger children. It would be a great shame if siblings had to be stopped from joining us next year, so please make sure all younger children remain with you.
- It is too early to see an accurate weather forecast, but if it is likely to rain please ensure your child brings their school raincoat if they have one. Otherwise, please put sunscreen on your child in the morning, and ensure they wear their yellow sun cap and bring extra water.
- School P.E. uniform must be worn, including white trainers.
- As last year, the pupils will sit in their house groups; see the small map to the right to find out where your child will be sitting. Parents: please feel free to wear your child's house colour, cheer loudly and enter the parents' races!
- If you are unable to attend with your child, please note that they will return to school with staff, but not until approximately 4.20pm.

Battersea Athletics track

Stands

Red	Yellow	Blue	Green



Staff supervision:

Red House: Mrs Wright & Mrs Miller

Yellow House: Mrs Watkins and Mrs Foley

Green House: Mrs Kaczmarek and Miss Coy

Blue House: Miss Miller, Mrs Brown and Mrs Fyers

Hats please!

Many children are forgetting to wear hats to and from school. Next week, a 'hat check' will take place and letters sent home to parents whose children have forgotten to bring their hat to school.



Year 1

Phonics Screening

Next week, Year 1 children (and some Year 2) across the country will complete phonics screening assessment to see how well they have learned sounds and letters and what we need to do next to help them. The children will complete the assessment with Miss Cowen in a relaxed and informal way. This is nothing to worry about and they will be used to the style of the assessment from practising already.