



# Uniform

It is good to see so many children looking smart in their summer uniforms. While the weather is still changeable, girls may wear white tights and boys may wear long socks. All boys must be wearing short trousers and girls should be wearing boaters instead of berets now.

The new caps for children's house colours are now available at the uniform shop. These caps should be worn for break times and lunch play only. Caps and boaters must still be worn to and from school. It is a good idea for the children to leave their sun caps in their tray for easy access each day. These caps are an optional item of uniform but please note that non-uniform sun hats may not be worn at school.



Please can we remind you that jewellery is not allowed, and hair should either be tied back or cut short, otherwise it falls in the children's faces while they are working and also encourages the spread of head lice.

Please make sure any remaining items of summer uniform needed for your child are obtained this weekend. Our uniform is an important part of the school's identity and one of the reasons you will have chosen our school for your child. Thank you.

## Scouts

4th Kensington (Oratory) Cubs and Scouts Group is holding a Taster Evening for parents, prospective parents and prospective helpers on Friday 27th April 6-8.30pm. Open evening, displays, fish BBQ in the Oratory garden (by kind permission of the Fathers of the Oratory). Call Mark Jenkins on 07779591114 or email [oratoryscoutgroup@bromptonoratory.co.uk](mailto:oratoryscoutgroup@bromptonoratory.co.uk)

## Next Academic Year

If your child will be leaving Oratory at the end of the academic year, please let the school know in writing as soon as possible, so that the place can be offered to a child on our waiting list.

## Parent and Child Bookshare

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April, Parents are invited to come into classrooms with their children to look at exercise books. This is an excellent opportunity to talk to your child about what they are learning, what they enjoy and what they find challenging. Please collect your children as usual at 3.30pm, then enter through the side playground from 3.45pm onwards. Please only look at your own child's books. We regret that we will be unable to admit those arriving after 5pm.

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm**. 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.

## Lenten boxes

Thank you for collecting money for the Catholic Children's Society during Lent. The money will be gratefully received. Please return your boxes to the school office as soon as you can, and by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April at the latest.