



Dear Parents and Pupils,

Thank you for all your support on what has been another successful year at Mercy Primary. It has been a year of change and new beginnings and we wish every success to Mrs Cush and Mrs Hunt as they go off on the adventure of retirement and freedom from school bells!

A big "thank you" from all our staff, teachers and Governors for your continued support this year.

Teachers are busy writing reports for every child to send home to you at the end of the month. Best Wishes,

Mrs Loughran



Best wishes to Mrs Cush and Mrs Hunt who are retiring after 31, and 24 years respectively, teaching in our school. They were both past pupils of our school whose families and children also attended Mercy Primary School. Mrs Cush and Mrs

Hunt have held a long association with our school and will be known and loved by many of you. Mrs Cush will miss the dedication of the staff at Mercy Primary, and the wonderful pupils. Mrs Hunt will miss the joy of working with students and their families.

As a staff team we will miss these two wonderful ladies immensely. They both embody all that is Mercy, kindness, caring and the strive for excellence in attainment for each child regardless of ability. We wish them the very best in their retirement and many happy school free days ahead! A collection will be gathered to buy a gift from the pupils and children at our school, any parents who wish to contribute can send a donation to the office.





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Sports Day and Dance Off!

On Friday 1st June weather permitting it will be our fun sports day. Parents and families are welcome to join us in the morning for fun games and active fun sports day. Our Dance Off will be on in



between KS1 9.30am-. and KS2 11.00-12.00 events. Let's hope this wonderful weather keeps up! Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts this year. Every £1 counts!

Please remember that for child protection <u>pupils</u> need to stay with their teams at all times.

Please Note: While we use the school camera to capture images on Fun Sports Day, we cannot prevent photographs being taken at this public event by other parents. We do ask that photographs taken are not put on social media.

First Communion at Mercy Primary

First Holy Communion was a beautiful event this year. A big thank you to Primary Four girls and Mrs Bullock, Mrs McAllister and Mrs MacFarlane for all their hard work and preparation for the event.



Nursery Come and Play Day

Come and play sessions on Thursday 14th June and Friday 9.30-10.30.

Ditch the stabilisers.

This month 6th June we have another ditch the stabilisers session for those pupils who weren't quite ready in the Autumn term to give it a go!

FAIRY DAY

On the 18th June we are inviting the children to come



to school dressed as fairies, (Please go to no expense) if you have coloured skirt/bright tops/wings /ordinary clothes to dress in. We hope to have a fun fairy walk and some outdoor nature activities for the girls.

End of Year Attendance Reward Trip & Choir Trip

Our Annual Reward for pupils who have 100% attendance, takes place on 19th June. Pupils will be invited to go to York-gate for a cinema trip. While we are aware that many children miss school for genuine reasons this trip is to highlight the excellence of being at school 100%. Gold Band Pupils will also be invited as they have attained their weekly homework and attendance together.

LEAVERS MASS

This year our P7 Leavers Mass will take place in Holy Cross Church with all pupils at **2pm** on Wednesday 20th June.

Please Note: <u>All children P1-P7 will stay until 3pm</u> that day.

All Parents are welcome to come to the church and join us for this Mass and children may be picked up from the church. This special Mass will also celebrate Mrs Cush and Mrs Hunt as Leavers along with our P7 girls this year.

A tea will be held in Houben Hall afterwards for our P7 Leavers and their families.

ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

Primary 7 pupils will have their prize giving & Awards assembly with their parents on the 21st June at **7 pm**.



Prize giving and P1-P7 pupil of the year awards will be given out on 22nd June at our P7 Leavers assembly for the school. P7 leave us on this day and **Please Note: all**

classes will finish promptly at 1pm.

Breakfast Club & Dinners

Breakfast Club will finish on Thursday 28th June. Afterschool's will finish on Thursday 21st June to allow for cleaning of equipment. Thank you for this support.

Be Aware!

Please be aware of a concern regarding a stranger near our school grounds on Friday afternoon. This may be completely innocent however please report anything or anyone suspicious to the office.

Transition:

Girls will go and visit their new classroom and teachers (where possible), on Wednesday 27th June afternoon and Thursday 28th morning and will get a chance to experience break and lunch arrangements for next year.

Pupils will return to their own class on Thursday 28th in the afternoon for class parties.

School will finish for all pupils at 11am on Friday 29^h June. There will be no bus or break on this day

Next Year:

School re-opens on <u>Thursday 30st August 2018</u> and Friday 31st August 2018

for ½ day inductions for P2-P7 pupils.

Children will go home at 12 o'clock and this is an opportunity to ease pupils back to school and for parents to see the new classes and meet the teacher. Pupils need to bring their own break.

Children will attend for a full day on Monday 3rd September 2018

Next Year's School Holidays are available on our School Website.
(One staff training day is still to be arranged.)

PARKING IN SCHOOL GROUNDS

We will be issuing letters to parents who continually disregard the rules by coming into the school grounds in their cars to pick up children. The school shares private grounds with other properties and has a limited amount of turning space and the top gate and most of the driveway do not belong to our school. Cars are blocking access and trespassing. We ask for your support in this issue as it causes problems for everyone concerned. Legal Action may follow.

For more school news please look at our school web site at www.mercyprimary.org.uk

