

St Sebastian's R.C. Primary School Douglas Green Salford M6 6ET

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Dear parents/carers

We have had a very busy first week back. The children have settled in well and revisited our school rules:

- Be ready
- Be respectful
- Be safe

There are many items in the newsletter this week so please read it carefully. Next week we will be sending out consent forms and data collection forms.

Parent Governor – We have a vacancy for a parent governor on our Governing Board. A separate letter has been sent to all parents today. It is really important for the success of the school that we fill this role. If you are interested in applying or want to find out more, I am happy to speak to you about the role of a parent governor. I am usually on the KS1 playground each morning or you can arrange to speak to me via the school office.

Asthma – next week is Asthma Awareness week. If your child needs to have an inhaler in school, please provide us with a copy of the care plan so that we know how the inhaler is to be administered and if your child can do it independently or requires assistance. Your GP or practice nurse should issue a care plan when your child is first given an inhaler and following an annual review.

Salford Libraries - There is still time to visit any Salford library to take part in their Big Salford Summer Read. *The Reading Game* runs until *Saturday 16 September* so there's plenty of time for children to start and finish the challenge and get their certificate, fidget spinner, stickers and badges. Any child who completes the reading challenge may bring their certificate into school to be presented at Celebration Assembly on a Friday.

Now would also be a perfect time to return any library books which perhaps you were too busy to do over the holidays. Books borrowed from a Salford library can be returned to any Salford library. All Salford libraries are completely free and nobody gets charged if books are late back.

PE uniform and PE day - Children must come to school in their PE kit on the day they have PE

(Year 1-6 only). The PE kit is as follows:

- plain black joggers, shorts or legging (no stripes or patterns);
- plain white T shirt (no patterns or pictures)
- Plain black trainers (no coloured or white patterns, stripes or ticks)
- School jumper or school hoodie (no tracksuit tops or other coloured hoodie)

The PE days for each class is as follows:

Class	PE days
Year One	Tuesday and Thursday
Year Two	Tuesday and Thursday
Year Three	Tuesday and Friday
Year Four	Friday
Year Five	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year Six	Tuesday and Wednesday

School bags – School has provided all pupils with a reading folder so there is no need to buy and bring a school bag to school. Please can you also remind your child(ren) that they are not allowed to bring other items in from home.

Year 3 school dinners – Pupils in Year 3 no longer automatically get a free school meal. If you feel that you meet the criteria for free school meals, please apply online https://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/free-school-meals/ or telephone: 0161 793 2500.

Grapes – If your child brings grapes to school with their packed lunch they must be cut in half lengthways. Whole grapes can be a choking hazard for children, especially when they are chatting with their friends at lunchtime.

Place2Be - We are very pleased to continue having a mental health practitioner - Helen Stansfield-Boys - working in school every Thursday and Friday. A flyer is attached about Place2Be's *Parenting Smart*, which is a FREE site for parents and carers of 4-11 year olds, offering practical advice on supporting your child and managing behaviour.

Meet the teacher meetings – You are invited into school on the following days to meet your child's class teacher(s). A separate letter has been sent out. The dates are as follows: Monday 11 Sep – Year 3 meet the teacher meeting 3.25pm Tuesday 12 Sep - Year 5 meet the teacher meeting 3.25pm Wednesday 13 Sep - Year 1 meet the teacher meeting 3.25pm Thursday 14 Sep - Year 2 meet the teacher meeting 3.25pm Monday 18 Sep - Year 6 meet the teacher meeting 3.25pm Thursday 21 September – Year 4 meet the teacher meeting 3.25pm

Dates for this half term:

Mon 11 September – Y2 trip to Staircase House Weds 13 Sep – Y4 swimming starts Thurs 21 Sep – Y3/4 trip to RHS Bridgewater Fri 29 Sep – Y4 trip to Knowsley Safari Park



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Fri 29 Sep – MacMillan Coffee Morning Tues 3 Oct – EYFS stay and play from 2pm Tues 3 Oct – Y3 football tournament for selected players Tues 10 Oct – Flu Immunisations (Rec – Y6) Weds 11 Oct – Parents invited in for story time at 3pm Weds 18 Oct - Parents evening 3.30-6pm

With love and prayers,

Mrs Doyle

'Do everything in love.' 1 Corinthians 16:14