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TERM DATES 2016/17

Summer Term 24th April to 20th July 2017 *Half Term* 29th May to 12th June 2017

INSET DAYS

9th June 2017 21 July 2017 2017/18

Autumn Term

4th September to 22nd December 2017 *Half Term* 23rd to 27th October 2017

Spring Term

8th January to 29th March 2018 *Half Term* 12th to 16th February 2018

Summer Term

9th April to 24th July 2018 *Half Term* 28th May to 8th June 2018

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 7th May

INSET DAYS

Monday 4th September2017 Friday 22nd December 2017 Monday 23rd July 2018 Tuesday 24th July 2018 1 more day to be decided

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Dear Parents

It has been a very busy term in school and the children across school have had lots of opportunities to take their learning into the outdoor environment.

The children of year 6 and year 2 have completed their SATs and the schools systems and procedures for administering the SATs were monitored by the school's governors and the local authority. They were found to be secure, robust and in line with advice from department for education. The governor's feedback was very complementary regarding the children and Mrs Williams wrote to me saying,

"I was most impressed with the way in which the children of Y2 and Y6 conducted themselves. Every single one was calm and focused and evidently trying their best. All children supported each other and other children around the school were quiet and respectful."

You should all be very proud of your children, they are a credit to their families. I would like to thank the school staff as the children were so well prepared for national testing, they ensured that the children had a calm and reassuring environment where they could do their best.

First Holy Communion Celebrations

Last week was a very special week for our year 4 children who celebrated their first Holy Communion with friends and family at St Anthony's and Our Lady Immaculate churches. All four services were beautiful and the children were respectful and prayerful throughout the Mass. It was a very special occasion, one that I know the children and their families will remember for a long time.

I would like to thank Anne Shepherd, the parish catechist, and school staff who have supported the children and families throughout their sacramental preparation programme "With You Always". It was also lovely to welcome Father Richard, our new parish priest, at the masses. He is very keen to work closely with the schools and we look forward to working with him and the parish community.

If parents would like to share a photograph of their child on their special day, please send a copy to school by email (admin@oliprimaryschool.co.uk) and we will put them on our website.

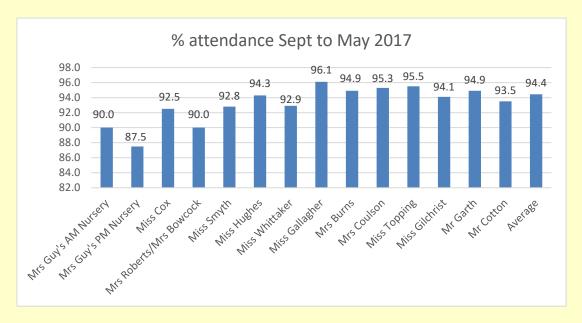
As parents know the 9th of June is a school INSET day and so the children are not in school. That means that families have a 2 week holiday to enjoy with the children. I hope the weather is kind to us all and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 12th June.

Mrs. Catherine Sergeant

School Attendance – Cumulative from September to May 2017

Average attendance -

Early Years = 90.0% Years 1 - 6 = 94.4%



- Miss Hughes's and Mrs Burns's classes won the best attendance last term earning £66.90 to be spent as they wished. Miss Hughes's class have two new members goldfish called Ant and Dec. Mrs Burns's class are planning a picnic in a local park for after the half term holiday.
- Our attendance incentive this term is for all children who achieve 100% attendance from 2nd May 2017 to 26th July 2017 there will be an invitation to an afternoon party taking place in school. This will be arranged after half term and at present we have over 200 children who are on their way to achieving this goal. Well done children.

Liverpool City Council Truancy Operations

As you will be aware from Local media, Merseyside Police in partnership with the local authority are introducing truancy patrols until the end of this academic year.

This means that if your child has a medical appointment within the school day you may be challenged by the truancy team. The Local authority has therefore asked all schools to issue an authorisation pass to any pupil who is off site with the permission of the school (at a doctor's/dentist appointments for example)

So that the passes can be issued in good time **please inform the school office in advance** of any medical appointment so that **you can provide evidence of the appointment** and the authorisation pass can be given to you prior to the approved absence.

Staffing news

I would like to welcome Mrs. Harris to our early year's team as the two year old room leader. She is very experienced at working with the youngest children and it is lovely to see the positive environment and relationships that she is developing with the children and their parents.





Mrs. Logan has recently returned to school following the birth of her daughter Nancy and already it seems that she has never been away. Welcome back Mrs. Logan.

Congratulations- City football Champions

Last week our school football team won the Under 11s City Championship for 2017/18. Our team were already the Liverpool north champions and they were competing against the team from St Nicholas' primary school who were the Liverpool south champions. It was a very exciting match which we won 8-4. Congratulations to all of the children who have played for the team over the year, you have all contributed to their success. I would also like to thank Mr. Garth and Mr. Fairclough who managed the team and the parents who supported the children each week and provided transport to matches when required.



30 hours funding for nursery children.

From September families will be able to access 30 hours free childcare for their 3 year old children if they fulfil certain criteria. This initiative has been widely documented in the media and we, as a school are currently working to establish how many of these 30 hour places we will be able to offer our families.

Mrs Guy and the Early years team are currently circulating questionnaires to give us an indication of how many of our families will wish to take up this offer. We will be sending out more information after the half term break and I would urge families to look out for this and come and talk to the office or nursery staff if you have any questions.



Upcoming Events

June 2017

12 th June	16 ^{th -} June Phonics' Screening for Key Stage One Children
	Top up swimming for specific Y6 children
16 th June	Father's Day Football Match KS1 from 2:30pm to 3:15pm
	Y5/6 drugs and alcohol awareness sessions at LFC REDucate
19 th to 23 rd June	Enterprise Week
	Refugee Week
21 st June	Foundation Stage Open Evening from 4.00pm to 5:30pm
22 nd June	Miss Smyth's Class Assembly 9:15am
26 th to 30th June	Sports, wellness and healthy schools week

During this week the children will be engaged in a number of activities focused on their health and well being. Please see below the time and date of your child's Sports Day session

26 th June PM session	KS1 Sports day
27 th June AM session	LOWER KS2 sports day
27 th June PM session	EYFS/ pm nursery sports day
28 TH June AM session	EYFS/am nursery sports day
28 th June PM session	UPPER KS2 sports day

26 th June	Y6 refugee awareness workshop
27 th June	KS1 trip (More information to follow)
30 th June	Miss Smyth's class assembly

July 2017

3 rd July	Summer Reports out
4 th July	School Nurse Drop in 3:30pm
	Parent's Evening - letter to follow
6 th July	Year 5/6 Girls and Boys to Jamie Carragher Soccer School Academy
	(Selected Group)
7 th July	Y5/6 Racism workshop at LFC REDucate
13 th July	Prize Giving Day
14 th July	Year 2 Graduation Day
18 th July	Year 6 Retreat Day
	PM Nursery Prize Giving 2pm-3pm
19 th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass – 11:30am-12:30pm
	Year 6 Leavers Disco 4pm-6pm
20 th July	School closes for summer at 1:30pm
21 st July	INSET Day



