

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School

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TERM DATES
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

Friday 22nd December 2017

Monday 12th March 2018

Monday 23rd July 2018

Tuesday 24th July 2018

Dear Parents

I can't believe how quickly this first term has gone. The children are working really hard in class and I'm sure they are all looking forward to the half term holiday. I hope the weather is kind to us all so that the children can enjoy the time outdoors with their families.

Holidays can be a tricky time for working parents so I'd just like to remind you that "Everton Kids Club " which is based in our school, are providing high quality childcare each day throughout October half term from 8am to 6pm. If this is something that will support you and your family over the holiday please remember to **book a place with Laura on 07799062730. Full and half day places are available at competitive prices.**

More information is available on the school website through the news tab and then letters home. www.oliprimary.co.uk/news/letters-home/

Mrs Catherine Sergeant

Listening to feedback

At the end of the summer term we gathered the views of children and parents because we feel it is important to listen to feedback so that we can keep improving. We also want to ensure that we are supporting our families and meeting the needs of all of the children in school. For your information I have summarised the findings below.

Pupil Voice

All children from years 2-6 completed the questionnaire

There was positive feedback for all questions

- 100% of children feel safe and happy at school
- 100% of children find it easy to make friends at our school
- 100% of children know how to stay safe online
- 100% of children feel that staff support their learning and the vast majority of children feel challenged in their learning
- Most children know what to do if they ever felt bullied or witnessed bullying

After listening to the children these are our areas for development this term

- To ensure that our playground leaders are well trained and are used effectively to support children's playtimes
- To ensure there are plenty of play activities available to the children at lunch and playtimes
- To use circle times to ensure all children know who they can go to if they need help or if they have a problem
- To elect a new school council so that the children's views and opinions are gathered each week.

Parental voice

We gathered 100 replies to our parental questionnaire from Nursery to Year 6.

Question	Strongly agree/agree	Disagree	Unsure
My child is happy in school	96%	4%	
My child feels safe in school	98%	2%	
My child is taught well in school	100%		
My child receives appropriate homework	93%	5%	2%
This school makes sure pupils behave well	92%	5%	2%
The school deals effectively with bullying	91%	6%	3%
The school responds to any concerns that I raise	98%	2%	
I receive valuable information about my child's progress	98%	2%	
The school website is a valuable source of information for families	100%		
The school supports and cares for families in many different ways	98%	1%	1%
Would you recommend this school to another parent	99%	1%	

We also listened to your comments and so:

- We would like to thank parents for the many positive and complimentary comments that you made about school
- We have introduced mathematics homework books across key stage 2 and purchased new home reading records, which have lots of information to support parents with home reading, spellings and grammar. We will also ensure that there is a more consistent approach to homework
- We will ensure that revision materials are available on the school website for the Y2 and Y6 children in the spring term as SATs approach. Parents requested this.
- From January we will continue to offer weekly SAT booster sessions in Y6 to prepare our children and take the pressure off parents. These sessions take place after school.
- We have ensured that the school's process and policy for dealing with any alleged incidents of bullying is available on the school website for parents information www.oliprimary.co.uk/children/anti-bullying

Antibiotics in school

We have listened to parents who felt that their child's attendance had been negatively affected when they were on antibiotics.

In order to support our families we have introduced a **locked medication fridge so that we can safely store antibiotics in school**. This means that you can send your child to school when they are taking antibiotics. Please ensure that your doctor has signed the relevant forms, which give the school staff permission to supervise your child whilst taking their medicine. These are downloadable from the school website at www.oliprimary.co.uk/parents-info/sickness-medication or are available at the school office.

School Photographs - Reminder

School photographs will be taken when we return to school after half term, as many parents would like to buy them as Christmas gifts for family and friends. Please remember to send your child in to school in full school uniform on **Tuesday 31st October 2017**. **The proof photograph will be sent home in a few weeks with an order form.**

