

# Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School

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**TERM DATES**  
**2019/20**

#### Autumn Term

2<sup>nd</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup>  
December 2019

#### Half Term

28<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November  
2019

#### Spring Term

6<sup>th</sup> January to 9<sup>th</sup> April 2020

#### Half Term

17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020

#### Summer Term

20<sup>th</sup> April to 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020

#### Half Term

25<sup>th</sup> May to 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

#### May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May

#### INSET DAYS

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020

## Dear Parents

It has been a busy and very successful year in school and I would like to thank you all for your continued support. By working in partnership we achieve the very best for your children.

I think you will have seen from this year's Prize Day the many achievements and successes of the children. They should all be congratulated!

The prize day videos, produced by each year group, provide beautiful reflections on the school year and are all available on the school website ([www.oliprimary.co.uk](http://www.oliprimary.co.uk)) for you and your families to enjoy.

All of the staff wish you a happy and safe summer and we look forward to seeing you all back to school in September.

## Goodbye and Good Luck Year 6.

As this busy year comes to an end the governors, staff, and I would like to wish all of our year 6 children the very best of luck as they move into their secondary schools in September. We are so proud of you all as you have worked hard. You have a lot to offer your new schools and you all have very bright futures ahead of you, so keep your ambitions in sight and grab hold of every opportunity that comes your way. Remember also to keep in touch.

We all love to see you all in September in your new school uniforms.

## Thank-you

The children and staff were delighted with the huge support that they all received last week on sports day. It was great to see the children and families enjoying themselves so much. At the end of each session the children sold their enterprise products to the families and altogether we raised **£314.00**. This is a great achievement as each class was only given £5 from which to make their product. The children and staff have decided to use their profits to have class picnics throughout their last week in school. Well done everyone!

## Reminder - Early closure

**School finishes at 2pm for the summer holiday on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July.**

**After school club will be open from 2pm until 5pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July.**

Places must be booked in advance with Laura on **07799062730**

## Happy holidays

On behalf of the staff and governors I would like to wish all of our families a very happy and hopefully sunny summer and we look forward to welcoming the children back on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019.**

Breakfast club will be open as usual from 8am.

**Mrs Catherine Sergeant**

## Staffing news

**Mr. Southworth** who has been with us for nearly 20 years retires this summer and I know that this feels like the end of an era for the school. He will be greatly missed by the staff, children and families that he has worked with and supported over his time with us. I would like to thank him for his hard work and dedication to the school and I know we all wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement. We will be inviting Mr. Southworth back to school early in the autumn term so that we can say goodbye to him properly. I will keep parents and families informed, as I'm sure many of you will want to say your own goodbyes to Mr. Southworth.

**Miss Harland and Mrs. Whelan** leave us this summer as they have been covering Miss Hughes and Miss Whittaker, who have returned from their maternity leave this week. I would like to thank them for their hard work this year and wish them both success in the future.

**Miss Offill** will also be leaving the school staff this summer as she begins her maternity leave. We wish her well and thank her for all her hard work at OLI.

## New Appointments

The governors, children and I have appointed 2 new members of staff to our teaching team.

Miss Gibson will be teaching in the nursery and Mrs Cahill will be teaching in reception class for the autumn term until Mrs. Stalker returns from her maternity leave. Both teachers were excellent School Direct trainee teachers with us this year and they both graduated as teachers this week. Congratulations to them both and we look forward to welcoming them to the OLI team again.

## Everton Kids Summer Club

If you need childcare over the summer holiday don't forget that summer kids club is open from 8am until 6pm each day and the club is open throughout July and August on the school site. The cost per day is £17.50 or £11 for half a day. Laura and her team have planned lots of fun activities for the children. See the sheet attached for more information or go to the school website [www.oliprimary.co.uk](http://www.oliprimary.co.uk).

**Bookings can be easily made by ringing Laura, the club manager, on 07799062730**



## School Council trip to the houses of Parliament

I would like to thank the school council and children who represented our school at the Houses of Parliament. The purpose of the trip was to see democracy and law making in action and the children and staff had a fantastic day. We met Dan Carden, our local MP, and the children asked him lots of challenging questions and also held a debate about the dangers of single use plastics. Their behaviour was impeccable and they were a credit to the school and their families throughout the whole day.

**Check out the school website for photographs. [www.oliprimary.co.uk/children/gallery](http://www.oliprimary.co.uk/children/gallery)**



## 16 books to keep pupils reading over the summer

The summer holidays await, and with the distractions of warmer weather, days out, trips abroad or the latest Xbox game it can be difficult to make sure pupils read for pleasure. So ahead of the break, the National Literacy Trust has highlighted 16 recommended titles for all ages to inspire children to pick up a book wherever they are – whether in bed, climbing a tree, or even on their trampoline.



**“Reading during the summer can help pupils retain the progress they have made during the school year.”** Jonathan Douglas, director of the National Literacy Trust,

### Books to read in bed

- Ages 0-5: *Emily Brown and the Thing* by Cressida Cowell
- Ages 6-8: *A Dog with Nice Ears (Charlie and Lola)* by Lauren Child
- Ages 9-12: *Kid Normal* by Greg James and Chris Smith
- Ages 13-plus: *Rose, Interrupted* by Patrice Lawrence

### Books to read while travelling

- Ages 0-5: *Grandma Z* by Daniel Gray-Barnett
- Ages 6-8: *The Dragon in the Library* by Louie Stowell
- Ages 9-12: *The Good Thieves* by Katherine Rundell
- Ages 13+: *Under a Dancing Star* by Laura Wood
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### Books to read outdoors

- Ages 0-5: *The Bug Collector* by Alex G Griffiths
- Ages 6-8: *Mouse and Mole* by Joyce Dunbar
- Ages 9-12: *Tom Gates: What Monster?* by Liz Pichon
- Ages 13+: *Where the River Runs Gold* by Sita Brahmachari

### Books to read by a swimming or paddling pool

- Ages 0-5: *Clem and Crab* by Fiona Lumbers
- Ages 6-8: *Splash Day* by Nick Sharratt
- Ages 9-12: *Football School: Star Players* by Ben Lyttleton and Alex Bellos
- Ages 13+: *Summer of No Regrets* by Kate Mallinder

**Why not take a trip to Liverpool central library?  
Children can join for free and choose several books to read at home.**

Check out their website to see “What’s on” over the summer holidays  
<https://liverpool.gov.uk/libraries/find-a-library/central-library/>



## School Uniform

To support families who will be shopping for school uniform over the holidays I have listed the school uniform below. School uniform fosters pride in personal appearance and neatness. **Please remember to put your child's name on all items of their uniform as it helps us to identify and return any mislaid pieces of clothing quickly.**

### Girls

Royal Blue Cardigan/ Jumper  
Grey Pinafore Dress/ Skirt  
Blue Shirt  
White/Grey Socks

### All Children

Royal Blue and Grey Stripped Tie  
Black Footwear appropriate for school.  
Foundation Stage children to wear black footwear with Velcro straps.

**Coloured trainers or coloured laces are not school uniform and I would ask parents to ensure your child has all black footwear in September.**

### Nursery

Royal Blue Tracksuit with embroidered school logo

### PE Kits

Children in years Reception to Year 6 are all required to wear a school PE kit for Physical Education. PE is an essential part of the curriculum and for health and safety reasons kit must be worn for these lessons. PE kit can be kept in school each week in a drawstring PE bag marked with your child's name. Trainers or black pumps must be worn for games and gym. Dance takes place in bare feet.

Plain navy shorts or leggings (new for girls)  
Pale blue sports polo t-shirt  
Navy blue tracksuit (winter)  
Trainers

**Personalised uniform, PE Kits and school ties are all available to purchase from**

**Lisa's School wear,**  
72 Priory Rd,  
Liverpool L4 2RZ  
**Phone:** 0151 264 0700

**or**

**Laser**  
92-100 London Rd, Liverpool  
L3 5NL  
**Phone:** 0151 709 0701

