

# Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Primary School

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## TERM DATES 2020/21

### Summer Term 2

7<sup>th</sup> June to 16<sup>th</sup> Jul 2021

### INSET DAYS

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jul 2019

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Jul 2019

## TERM DATES 2021/22

### Autumn Term

1st Sept to 22nd Dec 2021

#### Half Term

25<sup>th</sup> Oct to 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 2021

### Spring Term

5th Jan to 13<sup>th</sup> Apr 2022

#### Half Term

21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022

### Summer Term

25<sup>th</sup> Apr to 20<sup>th</sup> Jul 2022

#### Half Term

23<sup>rd</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

#### May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

### INSET DAYS

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2021

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2021

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 2021

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Dear Parents

We have had a really busy summer first half term and it has been good to have all the children back in school. I hope you all enjoyed the sunshine and increased freedoms over the Whit holiday and we look forward to the final few weeks of the year in school.

Due to lockdown and absences from COVID 19 symptoms, the children have missed lots of learning. The staff have assessed the children and have planned the curriculum over the summer term to ensure that we are covering essential learning that has been missed. This will support them as they move into their new classes in the autumn.

Attendance and punctuality are therefore crucial as we all need to ensure that the children are in school every day so that they can make up for lost time and learning.

## Home Reading

Reading continues to be a big focus for us in school as it is a life skill that we want all of our children to succeed in. Next half term all of our literacy work will be based around a quality children's book and we are encouraging each child to continue with their home reading each night. I would also like to thank parents for their continued support with home reading and for ensuring that the children's reading folder is in school each day.

## Year 2 - Infant Free School Meals (finishes soon)

The Y2 entitlement to Infant Free School Meals ends at the end of the summer term.

If you think that you are eligible for Free school meals, you will need to actively apply for this benefit otherwise you will be charged for your child's school dinner on return to school in September.

Miss Chute in the school office will be sending out the necessary information to all Y2 parents and we have also put a link to the city council Free School Meals website on the school website link below:

<https://oliprimary.co.uk/parents-info/useful-links/>

## Year 6 high school transition day cancelled

We were informed yesterday that the transition day for Y6 children to visit their secondary schools has been cancelled as Public Health England has said that primary pupils must not mix outside of their school bubbles.

Secondary schools will be organising virtual transition days with the children and we will be doing transition work with all of the children in year 6.

All SEND and safeguarding information will be transferred securely to the children's new schools using our normal electronic systems. Staff will also be meeting virtually with Y7 heads and SENCOs over the next few weeks to ensure the smoothest of transitions for our pupils.

## Attendance initiative

All of our local primary schools have been asked to take part in a city attendance trial.

We are working with the Local Authority, Liverpool Learning Partnership and the Liverpool safeguarding board with the aim of reducing the number of children who are persistently absent from school. This level of absence is now being classed as educational neglect under the scheme.

Over the summer term our procedures around attendance and punctuality will be reviewed and updated so that all local schools are consistent in their approach. We are also working with local GPs and the school Education Welfare Officer to ensure that we support families in improving their child's attendance.

Every school is expected to have attendance over 97%. Currently our school attendance is 93% which is well below the expected level. We will be working with the children to raise the profile of good attendance and we will have two attendance initiatives where any child with 100% attendance for 3 weeks will take part in a special activity chosen by the children.

Please work with us to get your child into school every day as we don't want any child to miss any more time in school as lockdown has impacted massively on everybody's learning.

**Have a look at the table below to see the attendance in your child's class.  
Let's see if we can improve this over the next few weeks.**

**Weekly Attendance Sheet  
Summer Term 1 2021**

**KEY:**   97% and over   92% - 97%   under 92%

	Mrs Stalker	Miss Doherty	Mrs Bowcock	Mrs Bradley	Mrs Rimmer	Miss Whittaker	Mrs Burns	Miss Hughes	Mr Fairclough	Miss Topping	Mrs Coulson	Mr Cotton	Miss Gallagher
Week 1	95.2%	94.4%	94.7%	94.8%	92.8%	97.2%	95.3%	91.8%	92.1%	87.2%	95.0%	96.6%	97.9%
Week 2	91.1%	93.3%	89.1%	92.4%	89.7%	94.0%	95.5%	96.6%	90.1%	90.3%	96.7%	85.7%	93.1%
Week 3	86.0%	89.5%	98.2%	98.1%	93.3%	95.0%	95.9%	94.0%	91.6%	91.4%	94.2%	96.2%	91.4%
Week 4	97.0%	97.9%	97.8%	97.0%	100.0%	98.9%	96.7%	99.4%	92.5%	91.5%	96.5%	97.4%	89.5%
Week 5	96.0%	94.1%	95.6%	95.2%	94.8%	91.6%	99.6%	91.7%	94.2%	92.7%	98.1%	86.2%	98.3%
Week 6	94.9%	91.1%	87.0%	94.8%	94.3%	96.7%	96.2%	99.1%	92.8%	93.3%	95.5%	97%	88.1%



## COVID 19 control measures continue

Before we broke for the half term all schools were advised to maintain their COVID 19 control measures even though controls are being reduced elsewhere. Our COVID 19 risk assessment is available for all parents on our website.

As parents know one of the controls is that packed lunches are now provided by the school. Our school meals are cooked from fresh every day and they are heavily subsidised to keep the costs down for our families. We have continued with these subsidies throughout lockdown to support families with the cost of the school hot meal or school packed lunch.

As water bottles are also not allowed in school at the moment as part of our COVID 19 risk assessment I would like to clarify how we are managing water and drinks in school at the moment.

- We are giving five supervised cold-water breaks throughout the day plus all children know that if they need cold water they are allowed to go and refill their cup. Milk is also available for those children who prefer that.
- In order to maintain the highest levels of hygiene required under our risk assessment we use cups from the canteen which are placed in the dishwasher after every use.
- We have water monitors who hand out the cups after washing and sanitising their hands.
- The water is distributed from jugs which again are put through the dishwasher after each use.
- If any cups fall on the floor through children knocking them or dropping them, the children can simply get a fresh cup, they are not expected to still drink from that same cup.

## Congratulations

Our Deputy Headteacher Mrs Roberts, is currently on a secondment until the end of the summer term as Head of School at Dovecot Primary School. This is a fantastic opportunity for her development as a school leader and we wish her great success.

Mrs Roberts also remarried recently and will be known as Mrs Partington when she returns to school.

## Pupil Mental Health Questionnaire

We have recently completed a resilience and wellbeing assessment with all children in school. This is part of a programme that we are using in school that has been developed by our educational Psychologist, Dr Lee Randall. The children's assessments will enable staff to identify areas to target our resources and teaching in order to build the children's confidence and resilience this term and ongoing into next year.

As a school we have always recognised the importance of pupil wellbeing and this continues to be an area of school life that we value and invest in. The children's assessments are also being used within the pupil wellbeing section in their end of year reports.

## Sacramental Preparation for Year 4.

Due to circumstances this year sacramental preparation will begin this term for year 4 children. The focus this term is the sacrament of reconciliation. In the autumn term when they are in year 5 the children will prepare for making their first holy communion. More information will follow from Mrs Anne Shepherd our parish catechist

