

Message From Mrs Coldham (Head of School)

This has been a rollercoaster of a year and not one that any of us ever expected to be experiencing. However, the children have excelled and have been so resilient, taking everything in their stride and have continued to demonstrate true tolerance and determination.

Despite the difficulties caused by the pandemic, it has been a fantastic year and it has been lovely getting to know everyone. Have a lovely summer break and see you all again in September.

After working here for ten years, Miss Cowan is leaving us to start her teaching career at another school in the city. We wish her the best of luck and know that she will be an amazing teacher. Miss Cowan, we will all miss you!

Recent or Upcoming Events/News

Upon returning to school in September, our current procedures will remain in place until further notice, including the one way system.

The timings to the opening and closing of the gates will be amended to ensure that all children are in class ready for lessons to start.

Drop off—8.40am-8.50am

Collection—the external gate will open at 2.50pm with access to the site for collection between 3pm and 3.10pm.

Recent or Upcoming Events/News

Children who are currently in Year 4 and Year 5 will have recently brought home a letter to give consent for children to walk home independently (when they are in Year 5 and Year 6). If you have not already done so, please return this consent form to school as soon as possible.



Catholic Life

Year 2 and Year 4 have attended Mass. All the children enjoyed the Mass and it was lovely to be back at church.

On Monday 19th July 2021, some representatives from Year 6 will be linking up with CAFOD representatives who attended the recent G7 summit. They will be discussing interfaith, the eyes of the word campaign and campaigning for local groups and causes.

School Safety

Over the summer holidays and possibly into the Autumn term, we are having some safety works being completed. This will include works to the school fence, the car park and area on the playground that is prone to flooding.

Dates For Your Diary

ATTENDANCE

Attendance this week:

91%

Attendance last week:

93.2%

21st July	School Closes for Summer holidays	28th February	Children return to school
8th September	Children return to school	8th April	Break up for Easter holiday
22nd October	Break up for October half term	15th April	Good Friday
1st November	Children return to school	17th April	Easter Sunday
17th December	Break up for Christmas holidays	25th April	Children return to school
3rd January	Bank Holiday Monday	27th May	Break up for May half-term
4th January	Children return to school	6th June	Children return to school
18th February	Break up for February half term	21st July	Break up for Summer holidays



AROUND THE PHASES

Friday 16th July 2021

EYFS

The children were learning to use a tens frame for counting objects. They made up a game where they rolled a die then added that many cubes to their frame the first one to fill it won; they enjoyed making it increasingly more difficult by adding more tens frames. In our RE topic 'Wonderful World' the children learnt about fair-trade and then everyone ate a fair-trade salad.



We have also carried on with our topic on Japan and this week we have been looking at the Olympics; finding Japan on a map and practising some of the Olympic sports.



Phase 1



Phase 1 have been very busy making the most of our time in the last 2 weeks. We have really enjoyed looking at the artist Hokusai during this half term. We have looked closely at his work and learnt how to create different 'Zentangle' patterns. For our final piece we have created our own versions of Mount Fuji. They look a little different to the real thing as we have experimented with using a range of patterns and colour.

On Thursday, we had our 'fun day'. The children thoroughly enjoyed it. We looked back on our memories of the year and it was lovely to hear how much they will take away from their time with us. We spent lots of time outside playing games and different sports activities. We also had a Phase picnic and it was fantastic to share a meal all together.

The Phase 1 Team hope you all have a happy and healthy summer break and thank you for all your support this year.



Phase 2

What a wonderful couple of weeks Phase 2 have had! The children have loved spending their last couple of weeks together as a phase. They loved working together as a team with parachute games and team building activities.

The children also wrote their final long write this week and demonstrated fantastic progress and wonderful imagination. Year 3 and 3/4 wrote an exciting warning tale based on Kasim and the dragon and Year 4 wrote a magical wishing tale.



We also have studied the Japanese artist, Takashi Murakami, and produced our own flower power art using the colour wheel to mix bold colours.

We are looking forward to lots of fun during our final week of this school year. Phase 2 wish you all a relaxing summer break.



Phase 3

The final newsletter of the year and what a year it has been. We are saddened that we have had to close our Y6 bubble today, but we will have a virtual meet with all the children to wish them well next week.

Year 6 had a wonderful week of fun last week. They performed their leavers production which we have recorded to share with parents. The children performed amazingly, and we are hugely proud of each and everyone of them for their commitment to learning their lines, stage directions and effort. We are sure you will enjoy watching it with your children. Y6 also had a fabulous leavers disco; they enjoyed takeaway pizza, a chocolate fountain and a sweet stall as well as getting glitter face decorations and their pictures taken in the photo booth. On Friday, they finished their week of fun with an inflatable fun day and picnic. We will be sharing the photos from these events with you via a QR code shortly. This week Year 6 have been receiving virtual transition from their secondary schools.

Year 5 have been working hard the last few weeks, in RE they have been learning about the work that CAFOD do around the world to support different communities. In English the children have been writing transformation stories and in maths they have been calculating with decimals. The phase 3 team wish you a lovely, relaxing summer break.