



NEWSLETTER



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SCHOOL CLOSURES ON TUESDAY 21ST JULY AT 1.30 P.M & RE-OPENS ON THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

PLEASE NOTE – NURSERY FINISH ON MONDAY 20TH JULY AND RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER.

- AFTER HALF TERM IN OCTOBER 2009 RESOURCE BASE WILL RETURN TO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER.

Dear Parents/Guardians

As this academic year comes to a close it is time to reflect on some of our achievements of this year and what an eventful year it has been! In the Autumn term our school was inspected and awarded the Inclusion Quality Mark, the first primary school in Sefton to do so! This was followed in March by our Ofsted Inspection, under the new rigorous pilot scheme, which deemed us an outstanding school. The outcome of both are a great recognition for our governors, staff, parents and children working in partnership together and recognise Our Lady of Lourdes as a place where every child does matter and where we 'live, love and learn together!'

This year we saw the completion of phase two of our building development programme, which has provided high standard toilet facilities for children and staff! We have seen improvements in our outdoor environment – through successful bids by the H.S.A and school. Through money raised from an Extended Schools bid we now have a wonderful outdoor stage area and the H.S.A have provided us with colourful picnic tables, our amazing castle, and playground equipment for each year. On behalf of us all I would like to thank Mrs. Farnell, Chair of the H.S.A and all the members of the committee for their hard work and time in developing our school. I know it is appreciated by all of us.

Our children were recognised as outstanding in terms of their behaviour and approach to school life. Throughout the year they have achieved academically in sport, performing arts and fundraising for the local community. Our children involved in the Children's University programme graduated receiving special recognition for attending a range of out of school clubs. Well done to you all!

At this stage we also offer our best wishes to all our Year 6 children who leave us for the next step of their journey to becoming young adults.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for supporting me in my new role as Headteacher and for your continuous support for all our endeavours throughout the year. The Governors, staff and myself wish you all a happy holiday.

Mrs. M. C. Hillsdon
Headteacher

MASS TIMES	OUR LADY OF LOURDES	ST. JOSEPH'S
SATURDAY	5.30 p.m.	7.00 p.m.
SUNDAY	11.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.

Congratulations!

We have some new arrivals to announce! Mrs. Ward had a baby girl, Mrs. Da Silva a baby boy, and Miss Hannah a baby boy. We wish them all well.

MAY WE REMIND ALL PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN BREAKFAST AND AFTERSCHOOL CLUB TO PAY ANY OUTSTANDING FEES BEFORE THE END OF THE SCHOOL TERM.

Class 1T

1T are developing their home corner/role play area, and are asking for any donations of items. They particularly need a toy cooker, fridge, table and chairs, dolls and clothes, cot, buggy etc. Please bring any unwanted equipment to the Resource Base. Any larger items can be collected if necessary. Many thanks.

Skipping

The children have taken part in a sponsored skipping event during school time, if any sponsor money has been collected could you please bring it in to the class teacher as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Performing Arts

Our Performing Arts Night on Wednesday 14th July was a fantastic way to celebrate the musical achievements of children throughout Key stage 2. Performances included Choir, Drama, instrumentalists and even Streetdance! Lots of support was given from family and friends and the children had a great time performing on stage. Thanks to all staff and families who attended and for their continued support.

Children's Services

Are You A Parent?

How will YOU be involved in Sefton's Parent Participation Strategy?

Get involved- when you next log onto a computer, tell us what you think

www.sefton.gov.uk/parentsparticipation

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Sefton Children's Services are inviting you to complete a voluntary survey to enable them to use your views in order to shape and improve services for parents in our area. If you are unable to access the internet, or need help to complete the form and you wish to share your views, please contact Gayle Hyde in the school office.