

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Tuesday May 10th 2022

Re: Sports Day Dates, After School Clubs and Lunchtime Volunteers, Self-Evaluation Questionnaires and Newman Family of Schools.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope your week is going well and that those of you with children in Year 6 are experiencing a calm, relaxed week despite the pressures. In school, we've been REALLY impressed with how these children have conducted themselves and undertaken their tests with such a sense of purpose and care. All they can do is their best; and they are certainly doing that. School feels calm, friendly and purposeful – just the way we like it.

I'm writing so that you can 'save the date' for our Sports Day this year. Details are that we'll hold our annual sports event on:

- Tuesday 5th July 2022
- KS1 will be 9:30 11:30am (R, Yr 1 and Yr 2)
- KS2 will be 1:15 3:00pm (Yr 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Should the weather be wet or cold; our reserve day is Tuesday 12th July 2022. Further details will be sent out nearer the time and parents and carers are welcome.

Thanks so much too, for the parents and carers offering to run after school clubs. I'm in the process of organising this and will be in touch about next steps. I'm also really keen to have a number of volunteers during lunchtimes (12pm – 1pm) each day during the summer that will allow us to walk the Year 5 and 6 'footballers' to Hilder's field to allow them to play whilst also freeing up capacity on the playground for younger years. If you're interested or available, please contact me via email at school (paulbarber@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk) and we can get this off the ground. If I get enough volunteers, we'll be able to do this and everyone wins!

Just a 'Heads Up' that I'll be writing to you in a couple of weeks' time to ask for your feedback on a number of different aspects of school life. Your answers to my questions will feed directly into our evaluations of our provision and planning for the next year and beyond, so please do get involved with that when it drops into your inbox.

Last, many of you will know about the links between Our Lady's and Cardinal Newman Catholic College. Over the past two years, we've been working alongside all the Catholic schools in Brighton and Hove to form a 'Newman Family of Schools'. This family of schools comes together regularly to support each other, staff and children and is a real resource for everyone. Next week for example, our Eco Councillors will all be meeting together and strong networks of staff are being re-established after the pandemic. To support

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this, I'll be including news from Cardinal Newman, where appropriate, in my news updates for you, so please keep an eye out for these; one of which follows here, from Ms. Claire Jarman – Principal.

Newman Festival: I am delighted to announce that on Saturday 9th July we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary by hosting the Newman Arts Festival for all of our Newman and deanery families. The festival will showcase dance, music, drama along with a prayer tent, international food, a bar etc.

More details will be shared nearer the time but please do save the date. And due to the great British weather we will be planning for all eventualities so if you have a gazebo or even a marquee that you would be happy for us to use for the event please email me - c.jarman@cncs.co.uk.

Have a good remainder of the week, all.

Best regards,

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