



Designated Safeguarding Leaders for the school are Mr Holt and Mrs Flower

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This newsletter is sent via email only, so please ensure that we have your correct details. This saves on paper and administration. However, if you would still like to have a paper copy, please let the office know and we will ensure that you receive one. It is important that parents continue to receive and read this newsletter as it is the main communication channel for the school.

Reminder School News App- Don't forget to download the School News app so you can access our website and updates via your phone or tablet.

The beginning of the Autumn term is always an exciting time for staff and pupils alike, and we look forward to the challenges ahead. Some premises and decoration work has taken place over the summer supported through capital funding via the Xavier Trust. We are grateful for their support and the new lighting and carpets in particular have made such a difference. In addition, we have new equipment in the reception/nursery outdoor area thanks to the PTA and some capital funding

We welcome our new pupils and families to St Charles. I know that our existing parents will make our new families very welcome. In addition to our nursery and reception children, we welcome Filip and Julia. All of our new children have made a very positive start to term. We also welcome a new member of staff, Mrs Stacey to the team. I look forward to welcoming our new children and families. Please do introduce yourselves at drop off and if anything is not clear, please do not hesitate to ask. Finally, on a personal note, I would like to thank you for the kind gifts, letters and cards that I received at the end of the summer term; it is good to feel valued.

A Word of Thanks

I would like to extend once again a big thank to the huge number of parents and volunteers who willingly gave their time last year for the benefit of our children, by helping us in school. There are far too many examples to mention, but we really do appreciate your support and hope that this continues this year as you really can and do make a difference.

I hope that you will be able to continue helping and if any new parents wish to get involved, please see the school office for the relevant paperwork and checks. In addition, a log of attendance is kept and for your DBS to remain valid you should help out regularly or have a gap of no more than 3 months of service in school.

REMINDER CHANGE OF MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY A quick reminder that to mark the VE day celebrations, the government have changed the May Day bank holiday to Friday 8th May.

Confidentiality—A reminder to all parents and volunteers that a protocol agreement is signed every year regarding the importance of observing confidentiality when helping in school. If any parent or volunteer is not clear regarding the above, please come and speak to me. In addition, please be reminded that photographs of school children at school events should not be made public, shared or put on social messaging sites without prior consent. The use of photography should not take place in the school premises unless with permission.

Value of the Month—This month's value is respect: respect ourselves, respect others and respect the environment. Please reward your child with a word of praise when displaying examples of our values in action, thank you. Pictured below is an example of our community work with a VE Party taking place as well as a board game session with some of our local Weybridge residents. Please reward your child with a word of praise when displaying examples of our values in action, thank you. A letter regarding a values celebration afternoon will follow.



A reminder that for the safety of all concerned, especially toddlers, the **trim trail and banked area should not be used before or after school**. Also bicycles and scooters should not be used in the playground. Dogs, other than guide dogs should not be on the school premises. Thank you.

Car Park—Please park responsibly, avoiding limited mobility spaces and the walk way by the school gates. We do have families who require disabled access so please respect this request and do not park in these areas. The car park is the property of the church and we are very fortunate to have somewhere to park albeit limited at times. My best advice is to park on some of the neighbouring side roads and walk into school, it can be far less stressful! Thank you for your understanding.

Jewellery—Our usual reminder that we recommend that if children are to have their ears pierced, that this is done at the beginning of the summer holidays. It is Surrey County Council policy that children must not take part in P.E. sessions if they are wearing earrings. Ears cannot be taped. Earrings should be a single stud in each ear and mustn't be of the hooped variety.

Payments for clubs references and passport documentation

This year we will continue to charge for most clubs that take place to enable us to generate some guaranteed revenue over the coming years. This forms part of our plans to be more sustainable in the current economic climate. I will also be requesting donations to the school when completing requests for references or passport applications etc. It goes without saying that any family eligible for pupil premium funding or experiencing financial hardship will not have to pay, we would not want any child missing out for financial reasons. Please do come and speak to me in confidence if you ever have any problems with paying for curricular or extra-curricular activities.



Year 6 Leavers' Performance/Mass/ presentations—We said farewell to Year 6 in July with our Leavers' Mass. A number of special awards were made, so congratulations in particular to Calum and Feile for winning the Nicholas Connor Friendship cups, Mia and Ben Sports Award and Erin The Endeavour Cup. In the afternoon we were treated to a great performance of Hoodwinked, an adaptation of Robin Hood. Every year I am amazed that just 30 children can produce a play of such high quality, this is such a fitting conclusion to their time at St Charles and a testament to the time, support and encouragement that has been given during their education at St Charles.



Information Evening—There will be an information evening for parents on Thursday 19th September in your child's classroom. This will be an important meeting outlining how you can support your child over the year. Reception parents will have a phonics session as they had their information evening in July. Reception, KS1 7pm and KS2 7.30pm.

Year 6 Residential—There will be a talk for parents on Monday 23rd September at 7pm (Yr5 classroom), explaining the procedures and payments for the Year 6 residential in June 2020.

Dates for the diary—I try to give you as much notice of key events over the year and these are highlighted at the end of the newsletter but more importantly via the school website and app. These dates tend to remain fixed but at times may be subject to change. I hope the advanced notice will help working parents in particular.

Request for volunteers—We are incredibly fortunate to be part of such a caring and supportive community. Every year we are truly grateful for any voluntary help across the school. If you are able to give your time on a regular basis or know of anyone who may wish to help, please contact your child's class teacher or the school office. Enhanced DBS checks will be required for regular helpers.

Secondary School Applications—The closing date for state secondary school applications for September 2020 is October 31st but the expectation is that applications will be made online. If applying to a Catholic school such as Salesian, a supplementary form will be required to indicate that you are a Catholic family.

Important Information for Year 3 Parents First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion: CPP Encounter for Parents Course Over the last few years we've seen the need to help parents be more prepared for teaching and sharing the faith with their children. The request has come from Pope Francis, the diocese and some parents. We have designed a very informative 3 session course for parents to take place in November. The course is open to all parents of young children but it will be a requirement for parents who hope to enrol their child on the next First Holy Communion Programme.

Each of the three sessions will be available twice i.e. parents will have the choice of coming on a Friday evening or on a Saturday morning. At the end of the course (assuming attendance at all 3 sessions) parents will be awarded the CPP Encounter Certificate which will allow them to enrol their children on the First Holy Communion Programme. If at least one parent does not have the certificate they will have to wait until completing the next "Encounter" course in autumn 2020 before that they can enrol the child for First Holy Communion. The same parent should attend all 3 Encounter sessions.

The dates for the sessions are:

Session 1 Friday 15th (7pm - 8.30pm) or Saturday 16th Nov (9.30am - 11am)

Session 2 Friday 22nd (7pm - 8.30pm) or Saturday 23rd Nov (9.30am - 11am)

Session 3 Friday 29th (7pm - 8.30pm) or Saturday 30th Nov (9.30am - 11am)

If you have a child for First Holy Communion please complete the application form on the parish website or email cppfhc@gmail.com

If you don't have a child for First Holy Communion this year but are a parent and would like to attend the course please e-mail cppencounter@gmail.com

If you have any queries, then please make contact with the Parish directly as they have the information to answer any questions that you may have.

Important Safeguarding Information for Parents—Along with most, if not all schools, St Charles has taken the opportunity to join the Operation Encompass scheme which will run jointly between local schools, Surrey Police and Surrey County Council.

Operation Encompass has been designed to provide early reporting on any domestic incidents that occur outside of school and might have an impact on a child in school.

Operation Encompass will ensure that a member of the school teaching staff, named a 'Key Adult' or "Deputy Key Adult", is informed the next morning that there has been a domestic incident or if a child has been reported as missing. These school colleagues will be those who already have safeguarding responsibilities and are fully aware of the sensitive and confidential issues regarding such information.

Through sharing this information with the Key Adult or Deputy Key Adult, the school can ensure that the child is supported in the most appropriate way during the school day.

Defibrillator The parish have a new defibrillator situated in the narthex

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

12 th Sept	First Year 3 swimming session	14 th Jan	Year 5 Pizza Express am
13 th Sept	Year 6 Pilgrimage to Arundel	28 th Jan	Year 3 assembly 2.30pm
19 th Sept	Information evening for parents Rec-Yr2 7pm KS2 7.30pm	6 th Feb	Y5 to Kew Gardens
23 rd Sept	Year 6 Bikeability	11 th Feb	Parents' evening 5.30-8pm
23-27 Sept	Beginning of term Mass 10am (Yr2)	13 th Feb	Parents' afternoon 3.30-5.30pm
23 rd Sept	Year 6 Residential Information evening 7pm	26 th Feb	Ash Wednesday Mass 10am
27 Sept	Y5 Anglo Saxon Workshop at Chertsey Museum	23 rd Mar	Mothers' Day class Mass Year 2 2.15pm
2 nd Oct	Individual photos	26 th Mar	Year 2 and 3 at St Georges College for Mass
4 th Oct	INSET day (no school for the children)	27 th Mar	Lent Reconciliation service led by Year 4 9.30am
11 th Oct	Butser Farm visit Yr5	30 th Mar	Easter assembly dress rehearsal pm Rec/KS1
16 th Oct	Harvest Assembly led by YR 1 9.30am	31 st Mar	Easter assembly 2.30pm Rec/KS1
21 st Oct	Nasal Spray Flu Immunisation Yr R 1-6	31 st Mar	End of term Mass led by Year 6 10am
22 nd Oct	Parents' Afternoon 3.30-5.30pm	3 rd Apr	End of term 1.30pm school closure (no pm nursery)
22 nd Oct	YR 4 Pond dipping	20 th Apr	Start of term
24 th Oct	Parents' Evening 5.30-8pm	28 th Apr	Beginning of term Mass led by Year 1 10am
25 th Oct	End of half term (normal finish time)	30 th Apr	Rec trip to British Wildlife Centre
4 th Nov	St Charles Borromeo Feast Day and Mass 10am	30 th Apr-1May	Y4 Bikeability
11 th Nov	Against Bullying Week	6-7 th May	Year 5 overnight residential Henley Fort
13 th Nov	Faith Week: Year 4 and 6 visit to Gurdwara (Sikhism)	5 th May	Year 5 assembly
26 th Nov	Year 6 class assembly 2.30pm	7 th May	VE Commemoration Day
2 nd Dec	INSET day – (no school for the children)	8 th May	Bank Holiday Friday
5 th Dec	Final swimming session of the term	11 th May	Year 6 SATs week
6 th Dec	Advent Reconciliation 9.30pm led by Year 6	19 th May	Year 4 class assembly 2.30pm
8 th Dec	Christmas Market	21 st May	Feast of the Ascension 10am
9 th Dec	Rec/KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal	22 nd May	End of school half term normal closing time
10 th Dec	Rec/KS1 Nativity pm	1 st June	INSET day school closed for children
11 th Dec	Rec/KS1 Nativity 10am	5 th June	Year 6 residential to Bowles
12 th Dec	KS2 carol concert dress rehearsal 1.30pm	16 th June	Year 3 First Holy Communion School Mass 10am
12 th Dec	KS2 carol concert 6.30pm in church	17 th June	Music recital pm
12 th Dec	Year 3 & 4 to sing at Weybridge day centre	23 rd June	Reception class assembly 2.30pm
16 th Dec	KS2 craft day	July	School fete
17 th Dec	KS1 craft day	2 nd July	Last Swimming
19 th Dec	End of term Mass led by Year 4 10am	10 th July	INSET day school closed for children
20 th Dec	End of term 1.30pm closure	8 th July	KS2 Sports Day pm
6 th Jan	Beginning of Spring Term	8 th July	KS2 Reserve Sports Day
13 th Jan	Beginning of term Mass 10am led by Year 5	16 th July	Year 6 Mass and presentations
		17 th July	End of Term 1.30pm closure

Parish News - Sept 2019

Welcome back! Any new families we have a new parishioner's lunch on Saturday 5th October 12 noon – 2pm: in the Priests' House. If you are new to the parish, we would like to invite you to an informal lunch in the parish house to say hello and get to know you a little better. For catering purposes, please let us know if you are coming: carmennarbona57@gmail.com

'Is there more to life than this?' Anyone asking themselves this question is invited to our Alpha course. This could be for yourself or to come with someone you know who would benefit. Alpha provides an open friendly, informal and relaxed way to discuss and explore our beliefs and faith (or lack of it) while sharing a meal and watching a video in groups of about 10 or so. Our taster session is on Wednesday 18th September at 7.30 pm in the parish hall, meal included. All most welcome.

Please see front of the newsletter for important information on The First Holy Communion Encounter for parent's course. Over the last few years we've seen the need to help parents be more prepared for teaching and sharing the faith with their children. The request has come from Pope Francis, the diocese and some parents. We have designed 3 informative sessions for parents to take place in November. The course is open to all parents of young children but it will be a requirement for parents who hope to enrol their child on the next First Holy Communion course.

Calling all mums, teachers, grandparents and carers who so kindly knitted for Children in Crisis a part of the Catholic Children's Society the Catholic Women's league have invited the head of the Services in London who will come and give a talk about her work in the children's centre and wants to thank you all personally for your kindness. If you are able to come have refreshment and hear the talk. They have set the time earlier to 2.15 pm to enable mums to come before school pick up. All welcome in the parish hall.

Friday 11th October we will have the Wonders Years: Rock Chorus & Band in the parish hall. Tickets will be available soon from the parish office.

Rugby World Cup. Calling all families on Saturday 12th October – two games on the big screen in the parish hall.

9.45 England V France

11.45 Ireland V Samoa

Admission £10 for adults and £5 for children. Includes a sausage/bacon roll. **Happy and peaceful term! God bless, Mary**



School Clubs – Autumn Term 2019



Day	Club	Time	Staffing	Year Group	Cost per term	Dates
Monday	Spanish	Lunchtime	Maria - Spanish Amigos (EXTERNAL)	Years 1 - 6	Call 07738 101034	9/9 – 18/11
	Street Dance	3:20- 4:15	Nova Falconer (EXTERNAL)	Years 1 - 3	Call Nova 07847 500439	
	Netball	3:20- 4:15	Miss Ryan	Years 3 - 6	£27	23/9 – 16/12
Tuesday	Football Club	3:20 - 4:15	Surrey Football Coaching (EXTERNAL)	Years 4 - 6	£55 (up to half term)	10/9 – 22/10
	Maths Board Club	3:30 – 4:15	Maria Hennessy	Years 4 and 5	£15	17/9 – 15/10
	Art and Craft Club	3:20 - 4:15	Mrs Horton and Mrs Burr	KS2 this half term	£30	17/9 – 15/10
	Tennis	3:20 – 4:25	England Sports Group	Years 1 - 6	Call 0208 339 0523	10/9 – 17/12
Wednesday	Choir	8:30 – 9:00	Mrs Lawton	Years 3 - 6	£15	18/9 – 11/12
	Dodgeball	3:20 - 4:30	Paul Seuke - Planet Soccer (EXTERNAL)	Years 3 - 6	£84	Whole Term
Thursday	Recorder Club	3:20 - 4:15	Mr Clay	Years 3 - 6	£24	19/9 – 28/11 (Excl. 24/10)
	Multisports	3:20 - 4:30	Multisports (EXTERNAL)	Years 1 - 6	£55.50 Call 01932 873131	12/9 – 24/10
Friday	Football Club	3:20 - 4:15	Surrey Football Coaching (EXTERNAL)	Years 1 - 3	£55 (up to half term)	13/9 – 25/10
	Street Dance	3:20- 4:15	Nova Falconer (EXTERNAL)	Years 4 - 6	Call Nova 07847 500439	
	Chess Club	3:20 - 4:00	Mr Holt	Years 4 - 6	£15	13/9 – 29/11 (Excl. 22/11)
	Cross Country	Lunchtime	Mr Holt	Years 3 - 6	£10	13/9 – 13/12

If you wish to register for any of the clubs above, please contact the external provider directly or contact the school office for registration forms.
Surrey Arts Music: Contact 01483 519303 or email surreyartsmusic@surreycc.gov.uk for more information, or contact the school office.

PLEASE NOTE: Changes may be made to dates and times and we endeavour to do our best to notify you in advance.