



Dear parents,

Welcome back to The Divine Mercy RC Primary, we have all missed you over the summer holiday and we have lots to look forward to over the next few weeks. We all hope you had a wonderful break with your children and that you had lots of special family time.

Here is a reminder of the start times and end times for the school day: All pupils start at 8.30am and finish at 3.00pm

All year round uniform:	P.E Uniform:	Notes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>white polo shirt</li> <li>grey sweatshirt</li> <li>Grey or black long or short trousers,</li> <li>Grey knee-length skirt or pinafore</li> <li>Black low-heeled school shoes – no trainers please</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>White round neck t-shirt</li> <li>Blue shorts</li> <li>Dark grey or black pumps for indoor use</li> <li>Trainers for outdoor use</li> <li>Draw-string pump bag to hang onto cloakroom hook</li> <li>Tracksuits for colder weather optional</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please label all items of uniform with your child's name</li> <li>No jewellery is allowed except small stud earrings</li> <li>Water bottle to be brought in daily – only plain water please</li> <li>School book bags available from school office</li> </ul>
Nursery and Reception only:		Uniform stockists:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wellies</li> <li>Spare socks and underwear to be kept in school</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School office</li> </ul>

A big thank you to Miss Coyne and Mrs Aherne and the team for creating a beautiful library for our children, we have loads of new books on the shelves and our old books will be available for all the children to take home and keep. We are inviting parents in over the next couple of weeks to fill in the data sheets for the new year and help yourselves to free books.

Parents are invited to attend all our assemblies and masses this year. For Thursday celebration assembly you will receive an invitation from your child if they are receiving an award.

- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September** – TA Appreciation day assembly 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September** - 2.30pm Year 5 and 6 parents in the hall to fill in data sheets and visit our free book giveaway
- **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September** – 2.30pm Year 3 and 4 parents in the hall to fill in data sheets and visit our free book giveaway

- **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September** – 2.30pm Year 1 and 2 parents in the hall, to fill in data sheets and visit our free book giveaway.
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – celebration assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September** – Whole school Welcome mass, 2.00pm in hall, all welcome
- **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September** – Year 6D class assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September** – Grandparents Assembly 9.00am in hall, all welcome, refreshments provided
- **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September** - Year 6M International day of peace mass, 2.00pm in hall, all welcome
- **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** - Year 5M assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September** - Celebration Assembly, 9.00am in class, all welcome
- **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September** – 5D Mass, 2.00pm in hall, all welcome
- **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September** – Year 4D assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** – Whole school parent drop-in
- **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 2 Our Lady Mass, 2.00pm in hall, all welcome
- **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 4M assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – Harvest Mass in church led by Mini Vinnies 2.00pm, all welcome
- **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 3M assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – Culture week
- **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October** – London Trip Year 5 more details to follow
- **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** – Non-uniform – party clothes, EYFS Disco 2.00-3.00pm Year 3 and 4 3.00-4.30pm
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** - Year 3M Black History Month Assembly, 9.00am in hall, all welcome
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – Non-Uniform – party clothes Year 1 and 2 disco 2.00-3.00pm, Year 5 and 6 3.00-4.30pm in hall
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – **School closes**– **school reopens Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 8.30am**

This term we will be collecting tins and packet food for the Harvest festival on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October, please send into the school office.

We are also supporting the annual Shoebox appeal for Operation Christmas Child. A simple shoebox gift packed with love and fuelled by prayer can have a huge impact on children in the developing world. The things we really need to fill the shoeboxes this year are:

- Gloves, scarves and hats (new or knitted)
- Sweets and chocolate
- Soaps and flannels
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Candles and holders
- Small games (travel sized)
- New small soft toys
- Tape measures
- Solar powered calculators
- Wind-up radios or torches
- General reading glasses
- Small hot water bottles

We will be collecting these items all term, please send in when you can or feel free to make a shoebox at home with your child, it will make a real difference to a child who is living in poverty. Thank you so much for your continued support.

God bless

Mrs Campbell and Mr McLoughlin



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