



Headteacher's Weekly Newsletter

Friday 6th September

Welcome Back

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a well-earned and wonderful summer break and are ready for a new academic year. Each week I will be writing to you to keep you updated on school life and some key events and information that have been happening throughout the week.

RHS Tatton 2024

At the beginning of the holidays a group of pupils and staff completed their final RHS Tatton Park Flower Show. The 'Wild Garden' was a huge success with the general public, and all pupils represented school with confidence and pride in their garden. The RHS will now take the show on tour, returning to Tatton Park in 3 years' time. However, plans are already in motion for an event at St Vincent's next summer and I look forward to updating you on this in due course.

Summer Camp 2024

Between 12 and 16 August we held our annual residential Summer Camp with over 40 campers attending throughout the week. From swimming to food technology - all campers had an activity-filled week, lots of fun and made new friends. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff and volunteers who enabled this camp to run – our research is showing the positive impact camp can have and I look forward to updating you all with some further activity offers this term.

New 5G all-weather surface

We now have a brand new 5G all-weather playing surface installed onsite and I'm sure pupils will waste no time in taking advantage of this facility. This new facility will enable school to offer and continue to develop sport and physical activity opportunities for children and young people with VI. I would like to thank all the hard work of the London Marathon Fundraisers and the Wooden Spoon Charity for enabling us to install this facility. I'm also pleased to note that we will be offering blocks of Saturday activities on 14 and 28 September from 10 am to 12 pm with a further block to be scheduled for October. Activities on offer are cycling, football, tennis and cricket. A further information letter will be shared with you alongside this newsletter which will provide further details.

Welcome back – and a warm welcome to our new school starters

Finally, I would like to welcome back all staff and pupils to school. After 2 busy days of staff INSET training it has been wonderful to finally welcome back all pupils. I've enjoyed catching up with them all this week – hearing many summer adventures from music festivals to camping and trips to Chester Zoo.

This first newsletter has been shared with you as a hard copy in the first instance, and then will be available on a weekly basis via the school website. However, if you require a copy of this newsletter in any format including braille please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

I hope you find this new weekly newsletter useful – and I look forward to sharing regular school news with you.

Best wishes,

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