



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We had a great start to the new term. I hope this email finds you well. We are excited to start our bi-monthly newsletters to keep you informed of the latest happenings at school. Here's what's been going on:

1. Nursery Updates: Our Nursery has been divided into two streams: "Annie Apples" for Pre-Nursery, taught by Ms. Jooma, and "Clever Cats" for Nursery, taught by Mrs. Yusuf. The nursery looks more vibrant than ever with the addition of new tiles. We're also thrilled to announce the introduction of a Toddler Class for children from 12 months.

2. Sports and Clubs: Our afternoon sessions have kicked off with great enthusiasm. The children have thoroughly enjoyed participating in various sports and clubs. We're especially proud of the new Cooking Club, led by Ms. Rubina, which has been a resounding success.

3. Music: Our music lessons have started with much excitement. We warmly welcome Mr. Dowbush as our new music teacher. With years of experience and a deep passion for music, Mr. Dowbush is sure to inspire our students.



8. Mummy and Me: Our "Mummy and Me" sessions will begin on Wednesday, October 2nd, and will run for four weeks throughout October. These sessions will focus on fun activities for Nursery and Reception children with their mums. Spaces are limited, so please register with Gillow in the office.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!
Kind regards,
Shivani Pandey
Head Teacher

4. Special Needs: At St. Patrick's, we are committed to providing an inclusive education for all students. Every child has unique needs, and we strive to cater to these through our dedicated S.E.N. department, led by Mr. Kwanjana.

5. Swimming: We will begin our swimming lessons on September 23rd, running until November 6th for six weeks. The sessions will take place at the Lotus Hotel in Namiwawa. Mr. Sekeya and Mr. Walesi, who is renowned nationally for his swimming expertise, will be training our children.

6. Donuts with Grownups: Our first "Donuts with Grownups" session saw a fantastic turnout. Thank you to everyone who attended; we had a productive and enjoyable discussion. For those who could not make it, please find the presentation attached. We hope to see more parents at our next session on Thursday, October 10th, focusing on how parents can introduce consistent homework routines.

7. Jolly Phonics: Starting Tuesday, October 1st, we will be offering Jolly Phonics sessions from 7:30 to 8:30 am for four weeks. This program is especially beneficial for parents of nursery and reception children who want to better support their child's spelling skills using phonics. Spaces are limited, so please register with Gillow in the office.



KEY DATES

- TUE 1 OCT – JOLLY PHONICS – SESSION 1: OVERVIEW OF JOLLY PHONICS
- WED 2 OCT – MUMMY AND ME – SESSION 1: MESSY PLAY DAY
- FRI 4 OCT – WORLD TEACHERS DAY
- TUE 8 OCT – JOLLY PHONICS – SESSION 2: TEACHING THE FIRST GROUP OF SOUNDS
- WED 9 OCT – MUMMY AND ME – SESSION 2: BUBBLE BONANZA



- THU 10 OCT – DONUTS WITH GROWNUPS – SESSION 2: ENCOURAGING CONSISTENT HOMEWORK ROUTINES
- 14 – 18 OCT – MIDTERM BREAK
- TUE 22 OCT – JOLLY PHONICS – SESSION 3: BLENDING AND SEGMENTING
- WED 23 OCT – MUMMY AND ME – SESSION 3: MUSIC AND MOVEMENT
- TUE 29 OCT – JOLLY PHONICS – SESSION 4: ADVANCED PHONICS AND APPLICATION
- WED 30 OCT – MUMMY AND ME – SESSION 4: MAKING FRUIT SKEWERS
- TUE 31 OCT – HALLOWEEN MUFTI DAY (MK1000)