# St. Austin's R.C. Primary School

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6.1.23

Dear Parents/Guardians,

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year. I trust you and your families have enjoyed the festive season. I now looking forward to working with you again in this academic year.

## School Photographs

Tempest Photography will be in school on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January** to take our school photographs. Please ensure all children attend in full school uniform.

## **Primary Applications**

If your child is aged 4 before 31st August 2023, the Primary on-line application closes on the <u>15th</u> <u>January 2023.</u> Please follow the link below to apply on-line: <u>https://www.sthelens.gov.uk/admissions</u>

## Reminder: Important – Change to School Opening Times

As a reminder, with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023 there has been a change to the School day. The School day is 9am until 3.30pm. Doors will continue <u>to open at 8.50am</u> as normal to enable the children to be seated in class at 9am. The school day finishes at <u>3.30pm</u> for all pupils except part-time Nursery pupils.

Please ensure your child arrives for school on time and is collected at the correct time. The EWO service will be working with the school again next term including a series of 'late gates'.



# Y6 Booster Sessions

Y6 Booster sessions commence next week as follows:

Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Maths Booster 3.30pm to 4.30pm Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – English Booster 3.30pm to 4.30pm

The sessions will run each Tuesday and Thursday until advised. Please ensure you collect your child from the front entrance at 4.30pm.

## Plas Caerdeon Trip 2023

As a reminder, payments can be made by instalments to the school office (cash only). Please remember to bring your payment card with your payment. The balance must be paid in full by 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

## Health and Safety

#### Group Strep (GAS) / Streptococcus pyogenes What is Group A Strep (GAS)?

Group A Strep is the name of a bacteria that most commonly causes throat infections, skin infections /Scarlet Fever. It is also able to cause more serious infections, but this does not happen very often. Across the country there are more **Scarlet Fever** cases than normal for this time of year so it important to be able to recognise the signs and symptoms of Scarlet Fever. Please follow the link below for more information:

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scarlet-fever/

Yours sincerely

Mrs P Wade Headteacher

