

Dear Parents

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

NEW MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM UPDATE

We are pleased to let you know that the migration to the new Arbor system has taken place. We are in the process of checking the data and hope to be able to send out the Arbor welcome email to parents by the end of this week. Please bear with us as it is a lengthy process. With Arbor there is a free Parent Portal and Arbor App that you will be able to use. Please see the attached information leaflet.

We have transferred pupil school meal account balances to the Arbor system as of yesterday afternoon and school meals are being recorded on the Arbor system from today. You will be able to pay for meals again once you have logged into the Arbor system.

As previously advised, Breakfast Club bookings remains on the School Gateway at this time.

Again we would like to thank you for your support and patience.

Y5 KNEX CHALLENGE.

On Wednesday 9th March 5 Einstein will be having a KNEX workshop a.m. and 5 Mandela p.m. Details to follow in next weeks Wednesday email.

In preparation, Year 5 parent volunteers will be needed to help with this event. Please send a message to your child's teacher if you are able to help. Thank you in advance.

PA

Children are invited to dress up as a book character on World Book Day next Thursday, 3 March. More details will be in the newsletter.

To celebrate World Book Day the Parent's Association are launching a wonderful idea to inspire our children to explore the wonderful world of reading! Exciting stories, award winning authors and thought provoking non-fiction titles have been carefully chosen to inspire growing minds. Teachers, children and parents have all experienced the joy of discovering and sharing a fantastic book. If you feel as passionately as we do about reading, the Parent's Association invite you to donate a new book via your class Amazon wish list.

Class Amazon Wish Lists will be available via links attached to next week's Wednesday email under: World Book Day. Books might be bought on behalf of a child or family. To include as many families as possible, if a whole book donation is too much there will be the option to make any donation for dressing up on World Book Day. This money will be collated and spent on books on the wish list from each class.

In recent "Pupil Voice" children shared with me that of all the different types of reading we do in school "Reading for pleasure" during Guided Reading is their favourite, but they would love new books from new authors. This venture completely supports this request from the children. So when you are helping your child put together their costume, take a look at the Wish List together and choose a book to bring pleasure and inspiration to our children. On behalf of the Parent's Association and Staff thank you so much for your continued support and generosity.

REMINDERS

PA FUNDRAISER

SCM Lenten Bunting is back! Get creative!

Don't forget to decorate your Lenten Bunting. Bunting to be returned from 3rd March along with an online donation. Thank you for supporting this wonderful initiative. Fr Brian can't wait to see them all! Please see flyer attached.

- **COVID-19 UPDATE:** Please refer to our updated COVID-19 Guidance on the school website by following the link below:
<https://www.cuthbertmayne.herts.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/SCM-Parents-guidance-Jan-2022-V2.pdf>

LOCAL COMMUNITY

SOUTH WEST HERTS SCHOOLS CONSORTIUM TESTING

The academic testing for the following schools for September 2023 admissions will take place in September 2022. Parents will be asked to register their child with the Consortium between **Monday 11th April and Friday 17th June 2022**. The best way to do this is via the SW Herts Admissions Consortium [website](#)

- **Croxley Danes School (Music aptitude only)**
- **Parmiter's School**
- **Queens' School**
- **Rickmansworth School**
- **St Clement Danes School**
- **Watford Grammar School for Boys**
- **Watford Grammar School for Girls**

GADE SCHOOLS FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE

Please see attached flyer of the workshops and 1:1 advice sessions being run until Easter.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: HOME-START HERTFORDSHIRE

Could you help support your community?

Home-Start are very lucky to have such dedicated and selfless individuals who give up their own time to help support families who are facing challenges. Our mentors enable Home-Start to provide valuable emotional and practical support to families, so that parents can help their children thrive and give them the best start possible in life.

We are reaching out to ask for help spreading the word that Home-Start Herts is recruiting more Volunteer Mentors in order to support the families referred to us.

Please see flyer attached.

St Rose's Catholic Infant School

Nursery 2022 Admissions Process

If you have a child who is born 1 September 2018 – 31st August 2019 now is the time to apply.

Opens : Tuesday 1st February 2022

Closes : Friday 25th March 2022 at 10.00am

Offers Made : Friday 22nd April 2022

Deadline to Accept Offer : Friday 29th April 2022

We are holding a live webinar with Mrs Ryan the Headteacher on Thursday 10th February at 6pm and then the opportunity to visit our school on two dates :

- Thursday 24th February 2022 at 9.45am
- Wednesday 2nd March 2022 at 9.15am and 9.45am

Please have a look at our virtual tour which is on our website [Admissions | St Rose's Catholic Infant School \(secure-primariesite.net\)](#)

Please email admin@stroses.herts.sch.uk to book on our webinar and one of our tours.

JOHN F KENNEDY CATHOLIC SCHOOL - VACANCIES

We are seeking to appoint the positions:

Premises Manager, Premises Assistant, Exam Invigilators, Teacher of Business, Teacher of Design & Technology, Teacher of Science

Please visit our website for details - www.jfk.herts.sch.uk

Kind regards
School Office