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Dear Parents,

**Year 6 Residential Visit**

I am taking the unusual step of preparing the newsletter on Thursday because as you are aware, thirty of our Year Six pupils depart today for their residential educational visit to Grosvenor Hall in Kent. Miss O'Callaghan and Mrs Chappell and I are accompanying the children. In our absence, please address any issues to Miss Llewellyn and Mr Chappell. The residential visit is an exciting time for the children. As in previous years, to hear updates of our progress please dial the school number and choose option 1.

**Packed lunches**

If you send your child to school with a packed lunch, please make sure that he or she is able to open and unwrap everything in the lunchbox. Some wrappers are fiddly and it means children are having to wait until we get to them to eat.

**Sporting Steps**

Please note that all payments for after-school sporting activities organised by Sporting Steps need to be given directly to the company. The school office does not handle these payments.

**Open evenings**

The Open Evening for parents of Year 6 children who are interested in St Joseph's College will take place from 5.30pm on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

Please keep an eye on our notice board for the Open Evenings of other Catholic Secondary Schools.

**Entrance Examinations**

If you wish your child to sit an entrance examination for a Secondary School, please ask permission from the school office before attending. Pupil absence needs to be monitored for the school kitchen.

**Medicines**

Please check that any medicines held in the office are in date and that instructions for them are up to date.

**Class Assembly**

Congratulations to the children of Class 6C who presented a wonderful assembly on Thursday on the subject of our forthcoming Black History Month. Next week 6O will lead assembly.

**Yellow House**

Please note that the children from **Yellow House** who won Sports Day in July will be allowed to wear their own clothes to school next Friday.

**Achievement Certificates**

Well done to the following children: Ciarragh, Obe and Eva 3A, Olivier 3D, Christian 4B, Maleena 4C, Dameila 5L, Marie-Renee 5V, All of 6C and Alaina 6O. The DHT Award goes to in Apeejemawu in 5V. The Swimmer of the week is Kervin in 6C, and the playground award goes to Elizabeth and Frida in Year 6.

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A.J. McDonald  
Deputy Headteacher