



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Diocese of Clifton

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Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s)

I hope you have all had a relaxing break and are looking forward to the engaging and explorative term ahead.

This term in history, our topic is "Flying High," where we will explore the principles of flight and the contributions of aviation pioneers like the Wright brothers, who invented the first controlled, engine-powered aircraft in 1903. Their ground-breaking work revolutionized travel, leading to modern planes that can carry many passengers over long distances. We'll also learn about other key figures such as Amelia Earhart, Sir Frank Whittle, and Amy Johnson. In maths we will partition numbers 17 through 20, recognize halves and quarters, and use mathematical language to describe movements. We will write fairy-tale stories and instructions in English, learn basic computer functions, and understand technology's role in our safety in computing. Observing and recording spring data will enhance our scientific skills, while designing and constructing free-standing structures will boost our creativity in our Design and Technology lessons.

We are so lucky this term because the children will have Mrs Dixon for PE and Sarah from Dazzle Dance workshops for dance. Please note that our PE days will now be on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure that your children come prepared with appropriate PE attire on these days. Specifically, on Wednesdays, it is essential that children wear shorts, as they will be using the apparatus (these can be under their jogging bottoms as it is still quite chilly!). For safety reasons, children without shorts will not be allowed to participate on the apparatus. Thank you for your support with this, enabling your children to get the best out of these excellent sessions.

Even though we don't have PE on Fridays, we are keeping the spirit high by dressing in our PE kit to celebrate our houses in their vibrant colours! It's a fantastic way to show our house pride and unity!

A gentle reminder that children should not bring toys or gadgets to school unless previously discussed. However, we warmly encourage and celebrate any extra work, projects, or books that the children would like to share with the class. Thank you for your cooperation and support!

Again, please be advised that book change days may vary this term due to adjustments in group reading arrangements. Attention to any changes is

appreciated, and it is encouraged to check the front of your child's group reading diary books for updates. Thank you for your understanding.

I am sure that you are aware that during the Summer term your child will complete the phonic screening check. Please see the attached Parents Guide from the DFE. If after reading it, you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

As always, if you would like to speak to me, please do not hesitate to catch me on the playground after school.

Warm regards

Miss Read