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Dear Parent / Carer.

End of Term News

As the 'long term' comes to a close, a few items of information for you:

Thanks

A big thank you to P6/7 and to P2, and to their teachers, who led our end of term Holy Week and Easter services so well. They were very moving and appropriate events at this very important time in the Christian year.

Another Thank You

I've lost count of the number of times this term that people, in a wide variety of contexts, have remarked how well turned out, how enthusiastic, how engaged, how respectful and how well behaved our children are. This is always brilliant to hear and makes me so proud. It is fantastic credit to you as families, to the school, and, most importantly, to the children. Thanks and well done to all, staff, pupils and families.

Good Friday

Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion takes place tomorrow at 3pm in St Clement's Church. All Dundee schools, as is the norm, are closed all day to allow families to mark this special day together. Please remember that Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence in the Catholic Church.

Reports

As I said previously, with the move this year we decided to swap written reports for Parents Nights this term – your child's report will be sent home today with this letter. My apologies for the fact that the front page says May 2013. Please send back the Response Sheet at the start of next term. There will be Parents Meetings arranged once we are in the new building.

New Term

The new term, our last in this building, starts at 9am on 15th April.

Decant to New Building

It has now been officially confirmed that the planned date for our move into the new building is the weekend of 24th-26th May. Camperdown P.S. will then move in in time for the new school session in August.

This means that St Clement's will be closed to pupils on the following days:

- Wednesday, 22nd May and Thursday, 23rd May packing and preparation
- Friday, 24th May already scheduled Inservice Training Day for staff.
- Monday, 27th May already scheduled Victoria Day holiday.
- Tuesday, 28th and Wednesday, 29th May unpacking and preparation.

In other words, the pupils will finish here at 3.15 on Tuesday, 21st May and return to the new building at 9am on Thursday, 30th May. I know that this sounds like a really long time off for the children, but it is the standard 4 closure days on top of the training day and holiday when all schools will be closed. This will mean that we get a really good start in the new place – we can't wait!

Celebrating the End of the 'Old' St Clement's

Mrs Donnelly has put together a group of children, staff and parents to plan three events – an Open Day and Exhibition on 17th May, a show on 14th (afternoon) and 15th (evening) May, and a Mass in the afternoon of 21st May in the Church. Anyone else who wishes to be involved in the preparations, please contact us as soon as you can.

Congratulations

A big well done to the 10 P7 children who prepared for and sang in our Leng Medal final this year. The standard was very high, and the winner of the prized Silver Medal, as judged by Mrs Bromage, P.T. Music from St Paul's, was Joshua Stark. Well done, Josh, and all of you.

I hope you have lovely Easter break and that the children enjoy their spring holiday, despite the weather. Next term will be a momentous one in the history of the school and a term which we eagerly anticipate – after a well-earned rest. ©

Yours sincerely,

A. Macgregor Head Teacher