

Personal goals: We have focussed on kindness this week – ask your children about ‘filling a bucket with kindness’.

PTA meeting TODAY! See as many parents as possible at 4pm this afternoon.

Nuts: Please can we remind parents that there are children in school with severe allergies. Please do not send your child to school with any form of nuts, either as a snack or as part of their packed lunch.

Water bottles: Please can all children ensure that they have a water bottle in school every day. We notice that too many children come to school without one; water bottles can be filled up at convenient times throughout the day from the classroom taps. These bottles must only have water in; some children are bringing in juice or squash.

School lunches: Please spend a few moments completing the questionnaire about school lunches (KS2). I am interested in learning about your views. These questionnaires will be taken to the Summer Term Parent Forum on Tuesday 18th June at 2:30.

Football team: In January, we established a formal New Islington Football Team. Following a series of trials, boys from Year 5&6 were selected. They are trained by a qualified coach who trains the youth teams at MUFC. The boys were selected for their talent and also their attitude. They played their first ever tournament on Wednesday. This was the first time they had played competitively as a team – and they were amazing! Each and every one of them embodied real team spirit and a true understanding of our values of respect, resilience, cooperation and kindness. They really did ‘do the right thing’ from start to finish. I was so very proud of them – shining examples of what we expect a New Islington pupil to be like. Thank you to: Noah (captain) Marcos, Janne, Thabiso, Michael, Zac, Zach, Essien, Oscar, Khalid, Alex, Ivan.

International fair: On Friday 24th May, from 3:30 to 5:00 we will be holding an International Fair here at school. This will be an amazing – first of its kind – event. Please put this date and time in your diary – come along to enjoy wearing traditional clothes from different countries, listening to traditional music being played, take part in arts and crafts from around the world, as well as sample foods from around the world. With many thanks to the PTA and parents who are offering their talents and services; this will be an amazing afternoon – a chance to celebrate the many and varied cultures and nationalities here at New Islington.

Days and Dates:

New events in **bold and underlined**.

Week beginning	Event
13 th May	Monday 13 th May: Year 5 go to MGS for an afternoon of music and singing

	<p>SATS week for our Year 6 children</p> <p><u>Friday 17th: Year 5 Growing and Changing lesson with school nurse</u></p>
20 th May	<p>Monday 20th May: International Week</p> <p>Tuesday 21st: Theme school dinner day to fit our International Week – a Taste of Mexico. See letter that was sent out earlier this week.</p> <p>Wednesday 22nd May: NSPCC ‘Speak out, stay safe’ assemblies and workshops</p> <p>Friday 24th: Parent run workshops for International Week after school</p> <p>Friday 24th: PTA Beat the Goalie event after school – 50p for three shots! Come along and try your luck.</p>
3 rd June	<p>Monday 3rd: No school for pupils – INSET day number 3</p> <p><u>Wednesday 5th: The Girls Games, sponsored by Nike at Manchester Youth Zone for girls in Years 4, 5 and 6. Letter to follow.</u></p>
10 th June	<p>Monday 10th June: Playground development phases 2&3</p> <p>Monday 10th: Year 6 workshop – cost around £8:00</p> <p>Monday 10th June: Year 1 phonics checks</p> <p>Tuesday 11th June: EYFS trip to Zion Arts, Hulme</p> <p><u>Tuesday 11th: Year 3 visit from a wildlife expert, bringing in different birds. Please see letter coming.</u></p> <p>Wednesday 12th June: Class and group photographs</p> <p><u>Friday 14th: Year 4 Growing and Changing lesson with school nurse</u></p>
17 th June	<p><u>Tuesday 18th: Parent Forum @ 2:30. Come along with your questions and queries. One focus is to be on promoting school lunches.</u></p> <p>Friday 21st: Sports Day here at school – KS2 in the morning, and KS1/EYFS in the afternoon. More details to follow</p> <p>Friday 21st: Teddy and good quality toy collection for the Summer Fair</p>
24 th June	<p>Tuesday 25th June: Year 3 to Chester Zoo</p> <p>Friday 28th: Back up date for Sports Day if the weather is bad on 21st (this is England, after all)</p> <p>Friday 28th: Bottle and Chocolate collection for the tombola at the Summer Fair</p>

1 st July	<p>Friday 5th July: Cake collection for the Summer Fair</p> <p><u>Friday 5th: Year 6 Growing and Changing lesson with school nurse</u></p> <p>Saturday 6th July: Summer Fair 12 – 2pm</p>
8 th July	<p>No teacher run clubs this week</p> <p>Monday 8: Reports out</p> <p>Wednesday 10th July: Year 3 to John Rylands Library for workshop</p> <p>Thursday 11th: Open Evening 3:30 to 5:30</p>
15 th July	<p>No teacher run clubs this week</p> <p>Wednesday 17th July: Year 6 all day trip to Manchester Enterprise Zone</p> <p>Friday 19th: Leavers Assembly for Year 6 families @ 9:20</p> <p>Friday 19th: Last day of the summer term for pupils</p> <p>Monday 22nd / Tuesday 23rd INSET days number 4&5 – no school for pupils</p>