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Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to St Monica's for Summer Term 2024. Our pupils looked happy and well rested after the Easter Break and looked very smart upon their return.

In Summer Term, we have a host of activities, enrichment days and outward bound trips planned. We also plan to bring back the St Monica's Summer Fayre, we will host our annual Sports Day and have residentials for Year 5 and Year 6. This action packed term starts with our "Safer Sefton; Safer Pupils" initiative on Wednesday.

This initiative will be celebrated by 84 schools across Sefton. In our school, we have chosen to focus on 'Safer Sefton; Safer Pupils': we want to examine why Sefton is a great place to live, how our pupils can stay safe and how we can all set aspirational goals to live healthily. All pupils will relearn about our Safeguarding Team, and who they can turn to if they need any help or if they have any concerns. **In classes, our pupils will also learn about:**

Nursery	How to stay safe in nursery and at home; setting fitness goals and living healthily
Reception	How to stay safe and healthy in school and at home; setting fitness goals and living healthily
Year 1	Why we love Sefton; staying safe at home and in school; healthy habits and setting healthy goals
Year 2	Why we love Sefton; staying safe at home and in school; healthy habits and setting healthy goals
Year 3	Why we love Sefton, eating healthily; first aid awareness; how to respond to an emergency
Year 4	Why we love Sefton, eating healthily; first aid awareness; how to respond to an emergency
Year 5	Why we love Sefton, eating healthily; first aid awareness; how to respond to an emergency
Year 6	Why we love Sefton, eating healthily; first aid awareness; how to respond to an emergency; staying safe online and outside of school and as we move towards Year 7 (Friday morning with Mr. Gouldbourne)

Mini Marathon

Alongside the curriculum in class, all pupils will also complete a mini marathon on Wednesday to 'live out' our live healthily message. Each class will run a mini marathon, so please send all pupils in PE kits. We will calculate how many miles our pupils run in total and share this with you in our Newsletter.

Inter School Relay: The Baton of Hope

On Wednesday, 84 schools in Sefton will take part in an inter school relay to promote the Safer Sefton event. At 1:20pm, pupils and staff from Thomas Gray School will handover the "Sefton Baton of Hope" to a group of our Year 6 runners and a welcoming committee of Y2 pupils.

When Thomas Gray arrive, we will have refreshments, posters and a finish line to welcome them. Our intrepid group will then take the baton and follow a route up Fernhill Road to Bedford Road Primary, with staff both on foot and in a car to ensure a safe journey.

I have been attempting to jog over the Easter Holidays so I can keep up, wish me luck (it's a good job we have marathon runners in our staff base who will ably assist me). If you live on the route, please come out and encourage the pupils as we pass by.

Wednesday is an excellent opportunity to celebrate what makes Sefton so special, we will teach our pupils how to "think safe: think healthily". It is great to see Sefton pull together and link the different wards and parishes together - it should be a great day.

All pupils to wear PE kits on Wednesday

All children are to wear PE kits on Wednesday for the event. The whole event has been organised to fundraise for bleed kits across Sefton. If you would like to donate to the cause, you can send a voluntary donation in an envelope and we will forward all donations to the cause.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr J. Gouldbourne

Headteacher