



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter –2nd February 2024

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‘Loved and Inspired by Mary ...

We shine and learn as a family of God’

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Once more a busy week of learning from Artic explorers, to division experts and sporting superstars!

This week we have been joined in the Office by Mrs. Stott and Miss. Scott from Our Lady's and we are grateful for their support.

After half term we will be supported by Mrs. Dewhurst who is excited to re-join our school family.

After Half term we will enter the special Period of Lent and your child will have brought home their Lenten planner. This details when we will celebrate different events and shows the different charities we will support that are close to our school family. Copies can also be found online and in our entrance Foyer.

I also may have heard a rumour that **BREAK THE RULES** day is returning soon ...No comment!!!!

Class 2 – Mini Skills- 13.1.24

On Tuesday a group of children from Class 2 represented us at West View Leisure centre in the Mini Skills competition. They had lots of fun and took part in different events. Well done Team!



"I had lots of fun, everyone had a great time" Oliver Lawson

"My Favourite part was throwing the balls in the bucket in a certain amount of time"
Roisin Moss

After School Club and Breakfast Club

New Booking Forms have been issued for Spring Two and are also available on our Website.

Please Note: We are unable to accept/ Secure Bookings without payments – Thank you for your ongoing support.

Save the Date – Spring Parents Evening – 20.2.24

Places are filling up quickly for Parents Evening – If you have not yet booked your place we would strongly encourage you to do so. Signing up sheets remain in the entrance Foyer.

School Meals – Change to Pupil and Staff Charges

Please note due to increased LCC charges the Cost of a Pupil meal **will increase from £2.45 to £2.50 from 19.2.23**. Adult meals will also increase by the same percentage.

First Holy Communion Preparation

Sacramental Preparation

We are really looking forward to meeting the children and starting their preparations. The first session will take place at the Church Annex on Tuesday 27th February at 3.15pm.

The first three sessions will focus upon First Reconciliation (First Confession).

The remaining dates are as follows;

Tuesday 5th March at 3:15pm

Tuesday 12th March at 3:15pm – The pupils will make their First Reconciliation which will focus on First Holy Communion. **Please could we ask that parents attend this session.**

The last three sessions will focus on First Holy Communion

Tuesday 19th March at 3:15pm – Church Annex

Tuesday 26th March 3:15pm – Church Annex

Tuesday 16th April 3:15pm – Church Annex

These sessions will start straight after school, we will collect the pupils from school and walk them over to church. At 4:20pm they are to be collected from the annex, the meeting room behind church. The children will be greeted with a drink of juice and biscuits.

Pupils will make their First Holy Communion **Sunday 21st April 9.00am Mass St Mary's** followed by Communion Breakfast in the school hall.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Jackie Fitzpatrick

Forest School- Can you help ?

Mrs. Reid is looking for some sturdy coat hangers to be used for storing Waterproofs/ Puddle suits- making it easier for pupils to identify their own items and making it easier to dry at the end of the session.



If you are able to help we would be very grateful of donations which can be handed into the school office

Helping Hands

With the support of St. Mary's Parish we have created a '***Helping Hands Fund***' – This means we have a stock of tinned food/ non-perishable items and toiletries ...So, if you ever need a little '***Helping Hand***' please just ask and we can gladly put a pack together.

Dates for your diary

05.2.24	- Class 4 History Workshop Islamic Civilizations
09.02.24	- School closes for half term at 3.15 pm
19.2.24	- School re opens at 08.55 am

Celebrations Awards

	Faith in Action Award	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Bella Melling - Smith	Euan Smith	Reggie Hall
Class 2	Chloe Brogden	Yahya Majeed	
Class 3	Meeya Patel	Isaac Aya	Maxwell Houlding
Class 4	Felicity Pye	Jack Moyes	

At St. Mary's School we

"Live our lives as Jesus taught us,
Work hard together to achieve our best,
Respect each other and the world around us,
Have fun and enjoy learning!"



