



## St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

### Newsletter – Friday 2nd March 2018

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*Happy are those who hear the word of  
God and keep it' Luke 11:28*

Dear Parent/Carer,

A huge thank you for your generous donations of Silver for our 'Silver trail' last week. We raised a fantastic total of £104.50 for CAFOD and we keep you updated with our totals through this Lenten period.



### **Family Mass – 4<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

This Sunday is our Spring Family Mass and you are warmly welcome to join us. Mass will take place at St. Mary's Church at 9.00 a.m. and will be followed by refreshments in the Church Annex.

### **Confirmation**

Canon Adrian reminds families that applications are now being received from those wishing to be confirmed. Forms are available from Church. Please ask should you require any further information.

## **Winter Weather**

The weather is certainly very wintry at present and so we ask our families to take extra care. We have reported your concerns re slippery public pathways to Lancashire County Council. We will continue to grit school access routes and monitor the situation carefully.

Thank you for your continued support.

## **Lenten Activities**

Wednesday 7th March	8.15 Mass at St. Mary's followed by Lenten Breakfast in the school hall.
Friday 9th March	Colour Stalls from 2.45 pm  - Bring coloured items (in your House Team's colours) to sell  Matthew: Yellow, Mark: Red, Luke: Blue, John: Green  *** Celebration assembly at 9.10 a.m. instead this week ***

## **World Book Day**

It was lovely to see such a fantastic array of costumes for our World Book Day. We raised a fantastic £81.00 for our CAFOD collection. We had everything from Harry Potter's to Where's Wally and even a pack of crayons!! Thank you for your continued support.



## **100 Club – Please join us !!!**

Thank you to those who have joined our 100 club. We still need lots more members to help us raise much needed funds. This year money will be used to help us buy new equipment for playtimes. Please ask if you need a form. Additional forms are available from the office and for just £24 per year you have a monthly chance to win £20, £10 and £5!!! Thank you in advance for supporting our fundraising.

**Congratulations** to the winners of the February 100 Club Draw:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> – Mrs B Brogden 2<sup>nd</sup> – Mr F Daly 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs C Lofthouse</b>
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## **Spring Parents Evening**

Thank you to all who were able to attend our Parents evening and we trust you found this a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress. May I thank all those families who completed our Parental questionnaire. We value your feedback and will share our results with you in due course. As ever we wish to work in partnership with you to ensure the very best for our pupils.

At first glance they are incredibly positive so I thank you for your kind comments and continued support.

If you did not receive a questionnaire and would like to complete one please ask in the school office.

Class 1 parents -Parents evening will be rescheduled in due course.

## **Friends of St. Mary's Meeting – AGM 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

An AGM for our Friends of St. Mary's (FOSM) group will meet on 13.3.18 at 2.30 pm here in school. Please come along for a cup of tea to share your thoughts and be part of this group who work together to raise funds for our school. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**-Grandparents, parents, aunties, uncles etc. etc.!!!

At this meeting we hope to elect a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer to enable us to manage our meetings and fundraising effectively.

**EVERY** penny we raise goes back to our pupils and helps to fund activities such as our annual visit to the pantomime as well as new reading books, awards etc

## **Drinks in school**

May I remind all families that pupils are very welcome to bring a drink/ personal water bottle into the classroom but **only still water is permitted**. Water bottles must have a sports cap. As you will appreciate any spillages of cordial etc. can cause staining and damage to exercise/ text books etc.

All pupils have access to both a water fountain and drinking water taps so that they can refill water bottles when required.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation with this matter. We continue to work in partnership to support our healthy schools policy. If you require further information on healthy lunchbox choices, information can be shared in school or is available on the Change 4 Life website <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>

## **Celebration Assembly –taking of photographs and recordings**

Many families come along to our Friday Celebration assemblies and this makes for a lovely family event. You are always welcome to join us from 2.45pm.

Understandably many family members have been very proud of achievements and as such have taken videos/ photographs on their personal phones/ iPads which have been uploaded to social media. May I ask families to be mindful when choosing to do this that images/ videos do not include other pupils due to data protection and confidentiality.

## **Celebrations Awards**

### **Achievement Award Winner**

Class 1	Rowan Hawkins
Class 2	Maizie-Lei Barton
Class 3	Amy Kennedy
Class 4	Rhys Thompson

### **Attitude Award Winner**

Felicity Pye
Jaiden Connell
Isaac Davis-Hutchinson
Daniel Cornall

### **Welfare - Lunch Time Award Megan Southworth & Ellie-Jo Thompson**

### **Dates for your diary:-**

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Mass 9.00 a.m.
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Assembly 9.10 a.m. Colour Stalls
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Production 2.00 p.m. & 6.00 p.m.
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	School closes for Easter Holidays at 3.15 p.m.

### ***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!”*