

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter – Friday 6th July 2018



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



Dear Parent/Carer,

A busy week once again as we approach the end of our Summer term

Our Lady's Maths Challenge - 4th July 2018

On Wednesday a group of 4 Mathematicians from class 4 went to Corpus Christi High School to take part in a Maths Challenge event organised by Our Lady's. Samuel Richardson, Sophie Lovett, Jessica Lovett and Harry Bisby went along with Mrs. Oakes.

"It was very challenging and all the schools were very talented at Maths. We came 7th out of 14 schools" Samuel Richardson

"It was a fun day and some of the questions were really tricky but we tried our hardest" Sophie Lovett

<u>Dinosaur Week - Books update</u>

Thank you once again for your support in raising monies for Books during 'Dinosaur reading week'. We received donations of £88 and with the £100 kindly raised and donated by the FOSM plus school funds we have a fantastic amount of £233 which along with match funding equates to superb £466. This money has been spent on improving our home reading books for all of our children, across the entire school! I'm sure you will enjoy reading these wonderful books when they come home.

EAT Updates - Active Monster

The lucky Winner and designer of our final Monster THINK monster is Hannah Griffiths Class 3. Well done Hannah – you now have the tricky task of picking 3 lucky friends to join you at Hothersall Lodge.

A huge Thank you for your dedication and enthusiasm towards our EAT MONSTERS competition and we look forward to sharing more information in the new term.

Coram Life Education 11th July 2018

The Life Education Van is coming once again to school and all children will have the opportunity to spend time in year groups in the van. This year the sessions are; Friends, My Wonderful Body, All about me and Meet the Brain. There will be a session for Parents/ Carers at 8.50 - 9.05 am. Please come along to find out for yourself about this Charity and the sessions they offer.

HAROLD tags and wrist bands will be on sale on the day priced at £1.00 should you which to purchase one.

May I say a HUGE thank you to the Friends' of St. Mary's who have funded the full cost of this visit so there is NO charge to pupils for this fantastic experience. We are incredibly grateful to all who have helped fundraise and as we always share EVERY penny raised comes back into school for the benefit of all pupils. Without such additional funds it would not always be possible to provide such experiences for our pupils.

Please support the next FOSM event the Hawaiian Disco on 13.7.18. If you can help in anyway please see our Chair Hannah Reid or any other member on the school yard-Thank you!!

School Council - Sustainability Council Meeting

"We had to say our opinions in the best way we could and it was a little scary but I really enjoyed it. We were talking about the best ways to recycle and how to reduce the plastic we use. We asked lots of questions. We have lots of ideas" Samuel Brown

"The meeting with the Preston City Councillors and Duncan Coward, Waste Management was superb. Mrs McLaughlin did an excellent job and the children asked very good questions and had some innovative ideas. I am very proud of our school and the forward thinking of our pupils". Councillor Abram.



Mayor Visit 6th July 2018

"On Friday we went to see the Major. We saw how their meeting worked and learnt about the Major's chains. Afterwards we went to McDonalds to have a treat." Molly & Alex.

Platinum Stars

Coming soon Summer Winners to be announced in our celebration Assembly next Friday! Will you be one of our special winners ?? Have you shown exemplary behaviour ??

School Dinner Money-price change

Please note with effect from September the daily cost of a school dinner will rise from £2.00 to £2.20. £11.00 per week, this still represents good value for money as this includes a

two course meal, drink and access to fresh fruit and the salad bar. Pupils in Key Stage one are still eligible for free school meals.

Class 4 Production and Awards Evening

'Tickets' are now on sale for the Awards evening priced at £1.00 for adults and 50p for children. Monies raised will go back to class 4.

The production will take place on Tuesday 17th July at 2pm and 5.30pm. Please order tickets now as we do have a maximum capacity and the evening performance is always especially popular as it is followed by Awards Evening.

As we are working hard to recycle and be eco friendly you will not receive any actual tickets but names will be recorded upon payment to the office.

Book Bags - Key Stage 1 - Class 1 & 2

From September we ask that ALL pupils in Key Stage 1 bring <u>only a Book Bag</u> into class. We have been finding pupils are bringing a great variety of large rucksacks into school and do not have the space for storage of school large bags. The book bags can be stored in the classrooms which also facilitate the changing of books and handing out of letters/homework etc.

Our official school Book Bag with the embroidered logo is available to buy from the school office in the next few weeks. This bag has the safety high visibility stripes and an inner zip wallet to store coins/ reply slips/ bus tickets etc. If you have an existing Book Bag you are welcome to continue using this in the meantime.

Holidays and Request for Leave

As we approach the summer holidays may I remind families of our statutory policy in regard to leave. Pupils may only be granted leave in exceptional circumstances.

All requests for leave must be made on the official form and will be considered individually by the attendance committee. Please note in line with our policy unauthorised holidays can incur a fine.

We thank you for supporting us in ensuring your child(ren) have good attendance.

Hot Weather and Sun Safety

Could we ask for your continued support during this exceptionally warm weather. We still have a lot of children coming in without hats/ caps and as you will appreciate at lunchtimes when pupils are on the field it is exceptionally warm and shade is limited.

Headway Charity- Own clothes day

Thank you for your generous donations for the Charity Headway. Headway is a Brain injury charity. We raised an impressive £93.00 "It was special to raise money for Headway Charity" Daniel Cornall, Class 4

Deacon John - 10th Anniversary of his ordination

On the 16th July 2018 Deacon John celebrates the 10th Anniversary of his Ordination. We would like to send our best wishes to him on this special day and thank him for all he does both as a Deacon and as a Governor of our school.

100 Club Winners - June

1st Mr F Daly 2nd Mrs B Brogden 3rd Mrs D Royles

Dates for your Diary

2nd July 2018 - Year 6 Induction Day Our Lady's Catholic High School 17th July 2018 - Summer Production 2.00 p.m.& 5.30 p.m. followed by the Awards Evening 19th July 2018 - Year End Mass 11.00 a.m.

<u>Summer Hawaiian Disco Friday 13th July- "Ticketless Tickets" on sale now</u> <u>at £4.00</u> Key Stage 1 - 5-6pm Key Stage 2 - 6.15-7.15p.m.

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award Winner	Attitude Award Winner
Class 1	Jonah Maduka	Felicity Pye
Class 2	Isla Kilshaw	Finnley Foxall-Holmes
Class 3	Riley Falconer	Rachel Kennedy
Class 4	Matthew Innes	Amelia Griffiths
	Welfare – Lunch Time Award	
	Key Stage One	Key Stage Two
	Ella Mullarkey	Saffron Hakim

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!"

