



## St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

### Newsletter – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

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



Dear Parent/Carer,

Lots more busy times and our first sporting completion of the new school year!

### **Mr. Bisby's Sponsored "Walking Wednesday"**

May I take this opportunity on behalf of all of us to extend a great big thank you to everyone for such fantastic efforts in fundraising for Mr. Bisby's two nominated charities Castlerigg Manor and Critical Care at the Royal Preston Hospital. We are delighted and overwhelmed to share we have raised a fantastic £796.15!!!!!!

### **Hockey Tournament – Year 5/6 – 25.9.18**

A group of pupils from Class 4 represented us at the Hockey Tournament at Broughton High School this week, our first sporting event of the new school year.

*" On Tuesday we played Hockey. We lost the matches but we played really well" Tyler Mawdsley, Class 4*

### **EAT- Explore, Be active, Think creatively!! Send in your slips!!**

As a whole school we continue to focus upon our EAT initiative.

**E- EXPLORE-** engage in activities, explore possibilities, show curiosity, show interest and persevere.

**A-ACTIVE** –focus, concentrate, be fascinated, persist, bounce back if tricky or make mistakes, be proud.

**T-THINK CREATIVELY** – think of ideas, solve problems, make links, test ideas, review methods.

We want to work in partnership with you so please share any EAT moments you may have with your child at home, big or small!!

These can be posted in the EAT box and each half term we will have a prize draw. You can send in as MANY moments as you like –the more times slips go in, the more chance your child/children have to win!!

Children will have brought a slip home and more slips are available from school. We look forward to sharing how our pupils develop these skills in our Celebration Assemblies!!

## **MACMILLAN–Worlds biggest Coffee Morning – St. Marys Church – 7.10.18**



Please see below an invitation to join St. Mary's Parish for their Macmillan Coffee Morning.

*I would also like to invite the school to a Macmillan coffee morning that we are holding after mass (9 -10 am) on Sunday October 7th in the church annex. So many of us have had cancer affecting our lives in one way or another and want to do something to help. You're welcome to bring cakes if you'd like and come and join in the fun! With best wishes ,Janet Bisby.*

## **Open day – 8.11.18 from 2.00 pm - 6.30 pm**

We will hold of annual Open Day on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of November from 2.00 pm – 6.30 pm. If you have a child or know of someone with a child due to start in September 2019 please invite them to come along and see our special school. The deadline for applications is the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2019 and the site is open for applications currently. Applications are made online via the LCC Website. If you require any further information please feel free to ask us.

## **Wonderful Work Week**

Your child will have brought their Wonderful Work book home this week which provides a snapshot into their learning across all subject areas. We are sure you will enjoy looking through these together. Please add any comments for your child(ren) into this book –comments pages are included. If we could ask that all books are returned to school by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> of October to enable us to keep them safe until our Spring Wonderful Work week.

## **Big School Adventures - Coming Soon!**

We have had a few enquiries already about our Big School Adventures session. This is a free session for pre-school children aged 3 and above and is an invaluable opportunity for children to come along and experience school life. It has been very successful and has really grown. It has had a very positive impact on the pupils who have joined reception class enabling a very smooth transition into school. **Sessions re start at 1.15 pm Thursday 4th October**. Please ask if you need any further information.

## **Parents Evening**

The Autumn Parents evening has been set for Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Please do come along and use this invaluable opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher(s). Signing up sheets are in the Entrance Foyer. If you still haven't made an appointment please pop in to do so.

## **Poor Weather**

As the Weather begins to change could we ask that all children have a suitable coat and/ or waterproof in school for breaks and lunchtime. Occasionally PE lessons will take place outside and children will need a spare jumper and, in line with our uniform policy, may wear Navy jogging bottoms. Thank you for your co-operation.

## **Medication in School**

As the weather begins to change it is inevitable we have a number of bugs and illnesses and as a consequence an increased amount of medication in school. A full copy of our medication policy is available and should you require any further information please ask a staff member. As ever, we wish to work closely with you to ensure we can enable pupils to attend school when well enough and to sustain regular attendance.

Below are some key points about administration of medication in school;

- Medication can only be accepted if prescribed by a Doctor (must have a dispensing label with the child's name) and received in the original packaging with the original leaflet. For medication without a box the bottle must have the information leaflet/ label attached
- Medication can only be administered if the appropriate paperwork has been completed and needs to be handed into the office and collected by an adult
- Medication such as Antibiotics can only be administered in school if stated that it should be given 4 times a day and we will only administer this once daily
- For new medications the first dose must be given by the parent/carer and they must observe for 15 minutes to ensure no reactions
- New advice states all pupils under 12 with an Asthma Inhaler should have a Spacer in school. Could we ask families to please send spacers into school? These should be labelled with your child's name and be in their original box to keep it clean.

## **Supervision and Collection**

May we ask for your continued support and co-operation in ensuring the safety and well being of all pupils both at the start and end of the school day.

Staff will be on the yard from 8.45 to collect pupils. Before this time pupils are not supervised.

At the end of the school day all families are asked to come into the school grounds to collect pupils. Pupils will not be allowed to leave the playground without an adult even if that adult may be visible across the road or behind the railings. As you will appreciate the pavements and roads can get very busy with passing traffic and as such accidents could happen. We thank you for your support and understanding.

## **School Reading books**

Thank you for your support in ensuring we had all reading books in school in order to update our system. We have 'Book Banded' all our scheme books to provide more variety and challenge. A separate leaflet has been sent which details the book banding system. Mrs. Shoulder, our Literacy co-ordinator will hold an informal drop in session straight after school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> of October should you have any specific questions, but as ever, we operate an 'Open Door' system and all staff are available in the mean time if you require any further information.

## **FOSM –Friend of St. Mary's – Meeting 1.10.18 at 2.30 pm**

The FOSM – Friends of St Mary's wish to welcome all the new parents to our school. We hope you will get involved with us in supporting the school and join in the fund raising events.

ALL welcome to our next meeting which will take place in school on Monday 1st October at 2.30pm – a copy of the Agenda is available in the entrance Foyer. Last year our fund raising provided extra supplies for each classroom, transport to the Christmas Pantomime and the Life

Education Bus Experience as well as organised entertainment for the children. With your help we can do even better this next year. We look forward to seeing you and making new Friends.

**Hannah Reid- Chair, Chris Abram - Secretary, Christina McKeever - Treasurer**

## **100 Club Winners**

**Congratulations** to the winners of the August and September 100 Club Draw:

August

1<sup>st</sup> – Mrs D Royles 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs K Taylor 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs A Collins

September

1<sup>st</sup> – Mrs N Wight 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mr A Wright 3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs H Reid

## **Dates For Your Diary**

Every Friday 2.45 p.m. Celebration Assembly, everyone welcome  
 16<sup>th</sup> October - Parents Evening  
 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term Holiday

## **Celebrations Awards**

	<b>Achievement Award Winner</b>	<b>'EAT' Award Winner</b> <b>Explore, Active, Think creatively</b>
Class 1	Agatha Holmes	Jack Moyes
Class 2	Harriet Robson	Callum Tennant
Class 3	Jax Harkins	Hannah Griffiths
Class 4	Amy Gilder	Tyler Mawdesley
	<b>Welfare – Lunch Time Award</b>	
	<b>Key Stage One</b>	<b>Key Stage Two</b>
	Isla Kilshaw	Jasmine Swann

*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!”

