

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter – Friday 5th October 2018

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





Dear Parent/Carer,

This week we welcomed some brand new friends into school as we held our first Big School Adventures session.

<u>Hockey Tournament – Year 5/6 – 2.10.18</u>



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

"We played well as a team. I enjoyed playing and I think everyone did. We drew the first match 0-0 and the second we won 3-0. I am excited for next Tuesdays match. I think we have improved loads"

Farrell Carrig, Class 4

'Poetry Week' beginning Monday 8th October

Next week in school we will be holding our Poetry Week and children will be busy reading, sharing and performing poetry in class. In our celebrations assembly on Friday each class will share poetry with you so please come along and join us from 2.45 pm.

<u> Book Fair – 10.10.18 until 17.10.18</u>

Our annual Book Fair will be arriving soon and this year will be here for Parents Evening so families will be able to have a browse whilst they await their appointments.

Monies raised from the book fair come back into school and enable us to buy more books. We will keep you informed on our progress!

School Council Elections- Hustings begin next week!!

It is that time again when all our willing new Councillors begin the process and start to think about why they would be a great member of our School Council.

Pupils may bring in posters/ flyers/rosettes etc. from next week. Voting will take place on Thursday 18th of October and results will be announced in Celebration Assembly on Friday 19th of October.

We thank everyone in advance who puts themselves forward to be a School Councillor and look forward to finding out who is elected.

MACMILLAN–Worlds biggest Coffee Morning

St. Marys Church Sunday 7th October



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.

<u> Open day – 8.11.18 from 2.00 pm - 6.30 pm</u>

We will hold our annual Open Day on Thursday 8th 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 15th 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.

<u> Big School Adventures – Every Thursday</u>



This week we held our first Big School Adventure session and it was lovely to see some new faces. 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 over the last few years. It has had a very positive impact on the pupils who have joined reception class enabling a very smooth transition into school. **Sessions are now taking place every Thursday from 1.15 pm**. Please ask if you need any further information.

Parents Evening - 16.10.18

The Autumn Parents evening has been set for Tuesday 16th 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.

Harvest Assembly -18.10.18

We will hold our annual Harvest Assembly on Thursday 18th of October and so we ask for donations of non-perishable items such as tinned foods, cereals, rice or pasta. All items will be given to local homeless shelters to support those in need.

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 lunchtimes. 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.

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.

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.

Dates For Your Diary

Every Friday 2.45 p.m.	Celebration Assembly, everyone welcome
11 th October 3.00 p.m.	Afternoon Tea in the School Hall – Tickets on sale in school
16 th October -	Parents Evening
22 nd – 26 th October –	Half Term Holiday
8 th November 2.00 – 6.30 p.m. Open Day	

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner
		Explore, Active, Think creatively
Class 1	Deondre Thompson	Tommy Holland-Bass
Class 2	Chloe Moore	Olivia Leigh
Class 3	Olivia Halliday	Jessica Eland
Class 4	Isobel Foy	Ava Harkins
	Welfare – Lunch Time Award	
	Key Stage One	Key Stage Two
	Lillianna Conway	Christopher Holland-Bass