



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 18th October 2019



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

Dear Parent/Carer,

Mrs Charnley's Message

This Friday we arrive at the end of our first half-term and what a lovely seven weeks it has been! The children have all grown into their new roles and each class has been immersed in learning. The faith life of the school is so unique here at St Mary's. I know you will all agree with me that yesterday's Harvest Service was wonderful. It is so special to come together as a school family. The quality of reading, singing and acting was amazing. I would also like to thank you all for your generosity too; Mr Taylor and the school council will have their work cut out to take all your donations to the food bank on Harrington St. How perfect to 'feed the hungry' and 'give drink to the thirsty'. This was all possible thanks to your generosity.

Open Day – Monday 4th November from 2.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

We will hold our annual Open Day on Monday 4th November from 2.00 pm – 6.00 pm. If you have a child or know of someone with a child due to start in September 2020 please invite them to come along and see our special school. The deadline for applications is the 15th of January 2020 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.

E.A.T learning!

Our home recording sheets for E.A.T learning are now available to you in the front of school, as is the E.A.T box. The recording form are now also available for you to download on your child's class page of our website. We will draw a winner each half term.

Blackpool Zoo Trip

On Monday Class 2 visited Blackpool Zoo. We had an amazing trip and saw lots of animals. We took part in a learning experience all about Penguins and also got soaked by a dinosaur!



NEW!!!! Pupil Passports

As most of you will know at the end of last term we were undertaking a review of our school curriculum. I would like to thank you once again for your ideas and suggestions regarding the variety of learning experiences you would like your child to have at St Mary's.

As always we endeavour to work closely with you and in a spirit of partnership. As part of our revised curriculum we are introducing 'St Mary's Pupil Passports.' These run for the time your child spends in each class and each class has it's own unique passport with different activities and challenges for the children to undertake. We will keep and complete a passport in school for every child and we would ask that you complete your child's home passport with your child at home.

We would love to see the activities and challenges you undertake at home and would ask that you send these into school to be shared when you have undertaken a new activity so that our in school passports can be kept up to date.

If you have any questions please come and see your child's class teacher.

Hoedown & Hot Pot Supper

St. Mary's Church Parish Council have organised a Hoedown and Hot Pot Supper on Saturday 9th November from 7.00 p.m. til 11 p.m. Tickets are available to buy in Church and in school price at £7.50 per adult.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you for your support through visiting our School Book Fair. We raised a fantastic £175.44 in books for our school. This is a FANTASTIC total and we cannot wait to add new titles to our class collections!!

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Lunchtime and after school clubs will start again next half term starting Monday 28th October.

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.

ALDI'S Kit For Schools

Please get stuck in and help our school win £20,000! School is collecting the Aldi Kit for Schools stickers.

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 31st October**. Please ask if you need any further information.

Parking and Safety

Thank you for continuing to support us as we try to ensure the safety of all our pupils. It is important that families park in the Smiths Arms car park at both morning drop off and home time, in order to maintain the safety of all of our children, please use the car park responsibly by parking inside the lines and being courteous to other users.

Preloved Uniform Shop

Do you have any uniform your children have outgrown? Or coats that they can no longer squeeze into? School shoes, pumps or trainers that are in a good condition but too small? PE kit? Please think about sending in these items for our Preloved Uniform Shop.

If you can help, please send them into school labelled for FOSM or hand to a member of the FOSM team. We'll launder any items we receive, remove any name tags, debobble and hope to pass on or sell these items during our monthly sale where you can pay what you need or exchange your items for us to pass on in the next sale.

In the meantime, if there are any items you're in need of please contact a member of the FOSM team or feel free to leave a note in the office detailing the items you're in need of and sizes.

Dates to remember

Every Friday 2.45 p.m. Celebration Assembly -everyone welcome

Friday 18th October – School closes for half-term

Monday 28th October - School opens

Monday 4th November – Open Day 2.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.

Thursday 7th November – FOSM Film Night

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, think creatively
Class 1	Nicholas Bielas Barnes	Leonidas Koutsokostas
Class 2	Rosie Robinson	Ella Mullarkey
Class 3	Olivia Leigh	Mason Dixon
Class 4	Sophie Savitsky	Isobel Foy
	Welfare – Lunch Time Award	
	Key Stage One	Key Stage Two
	Darcey Chambers	Cherry Davis

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!”

