



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 13th November 2020

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

Dear Parent/Carer,

A busy week in school which included our Remembrance service. Thank you for sending in your precious family photographs, war medals and memorabilia.



On Friday we held a Non Uniform day to help collect food items for those in need. This fell on 'Children In Need' day and so it was very apt that we were helping those in need in our own Community.

As a Catholic School we are driven by our mission statement and we aim to **'Live our lives as Jesus taught us'** and as Holy Family Share-It Food bank were able to help us on many occasions we wanted to be able to help them in return.

In the Bible we read *'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'* Once again, we are overwhelmed by your generosity and we feel proud we are able to help so many.

Parking and Important Safety Advice

May I remind families to use the Smith Arms Car Park when dropping off and / or collecting pupils. Canon Adrian has asked that we remind families not to park across at Church. As you will know, the Nuns are in prayer and so we need to be mindful and respectful of this. If you have nominated Support Bubble/ Childcare Bubble members collecting on your behalf please forward this message on.

I also remind families **NOT TO GATHER** and to adhere to Social Distancing. This is imperative and for the safety and wellbeing of all in St. Mary's school community.

Anti Bullying Week- Odd Socks Day – Monday 16th November 2020



Next week is National Anti Bullying week and so to launch this we are inviting pupils to wear 'Odd Socks' on Monday 16th November with their uniform. The theme is 'United Against Bullying' and celebrates that we are " *All different, All unique*".

We all have a part to play to come together and make a difference, we are all pieces of a puzzle and together we are 'United against Bullying'

"Odd Socks day is a fun opportunity for pupils and staff to express themselves, celebrate individuality and that we are all unique.

"Don't forget to check the Class pages to see the work we will do through this special week." Mrs. Jennings, PSHE.

Parents Evening - Telephone Appointments

Thank you for taking the time to call and book these appointments. Most slots have been filled now, so if you still wish to arrange your child(s) session please do call us as soon as possible.

Advice – National Lockdown

As you will be aware we have entered a National Lockdown. Please take the time to read the guidance as shared below. We will continue to Risk Assess and do everything we can at school to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all. We ask for your continued support.

I remind **families to not gather at drop off / collection points**. Should you need to speak to a staff member, please call school or email the class Teacher(s).

Please adhere to Social Distancing measures at all times.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe!

<https://www.preston.gov.uk/article/2915/FAQ-on-local-restrictions-what-you-can-and-can-t-do-in-Preston>

Admissions September 2020

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2021? Or do you know someone who has?

The application for school places is now open and can be found on the Lancashire County Council Website

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place>

Choosing the right school for your child is of great importance and we understand the value of finding the right environment for your child. As you would expect, safety is of paramount importance to us and to this end we are not able to hold our traditional 'Open Evening'.

Why not check out or share our Virtual Tour on the school Homepage.
<https://www.lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk>

	<u>E.A.T Award</u> <u>Explore, Be Active and Think creatively</u>	<u>Achievement Award</u>
Class 1	Douglas Pye	Max Tidmarsh
Class 2	Edie Robinson	Joe O'Donnell
Class 3	Jaiden Connell	Callum Tennant
Class 4	Cherry Davis	Hannah Griffiths

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!"

