

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter - Friday 1st July 2021

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

Dear Parent/Carer,

A lovely week filled with sunshine ended with a brilliant Fun Run...complete with water pistols, rosy red cheeks and bubbles!!

We welcomed our new Reception pupils for their first transition this Thursday as a new Bubble and it was lovely to see our new friends enjoying themselves and getting to know each other!

I remind families that we ask you to drop pupils at their designated Bubble Times (8.45 am Key Stage two and 9.00 am Key stage one). A number of pupils are arriving early in the morning before any adult supervision is outside. Once your child is on the coloured spot we ask that you return to your car. This is to ensure we prevent gathering and ensure appropriate 'Social Distancing'.

Once again, thank you for helping us work together to keep everyone safe and to keep school open!

<u> School Term Dates – Important.</u>

Just to remind families the last day of term is **Monday 19**th **of July**. The Holiday dates can be found on the School Website.

The Holiday dates were amended in December following a request from the Department of Education (DFE) to make the last school day of December an INSET Day for Track and Trace purposes. In order to ensure the correct number of openings, school will be open to pupils on Monday 19th July.

Life Education - Monday 5th July - £1.00 per child

This year, as Usual the Life Education Team will be visiting each class. As with many things, due to the current climate and Covid restrictions it will be a little different. The sessions will be delivered in class to Bubbles rather than in the Van. Pupils will still benefit from brilliant topics as shared below:-

Class 1: All about me

Class 2: My Wonderful Body

Class 3: Meet the brain!

Class 4: Friends

Each Class Bubble will have a pack of items for sale- Bendy Pencils are £1.00 each –Monies raised for Charity!

The cost of these sessions are **heavily subsidised** by the Friends of St. Mary's (FOSM) so we only ask for contribution of £1.00 per pupil.

Parking and Pupil Safety- Important

Please park on the Smiths Arms Pub car park at the start and the end of the school day and walk with your child to their Bubble entrance, this is the safest option. PCSO's will make unannounced spot checks and staff members will monitor parking.

If you are waiting for a 'Bubble' to open having dropped a sibling off we do ask families to return to and wait in their car- this prevents gatherings and ensures pupils and families can pass safely on the pathways. When a number of families gather to talk or wave to pupils other families are having to step into the road to pass and as you will appreciate this is extremely dangerous.

We have also seen on a number of occasion's pupils running across the road to greet family members/ friends and/or play. We have also seen sometimes pupils being dropped off on the wrong side of the road too – I must ask for your support with this as it poses a significant risk. Traffic from the village, school traffic and tractors etc. in this area can make the road very busy and we have a duty of care to ensure all pupils are safe.

At collection times pupils WILL NOT be released to family members waiting in the car or standing on the other side of the road. Pupils must be collected safely from school grounds from staff members.

I would ask if another remember of your Support Bubble or Childcare Bubble is collecting you relay this safety information to them.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in advance.

Forest School Fundraising - Fun Run

Today we held our Sponsored Run to raise funds to develop our Forest School area. We have a very ambitious total of £1000 to raise!!!!!

A special thank you to Miss Harrison from Class 3 (as we have two Miss Harrison's!!) and Fylde Coast Running for supplying us with the brilliant medals!!

The children really enjoyed completing their laps and of course the water pistols brought lots of extra fun!

Please send any sponsor monies in as soon as possible and we look forward to sharing our total with you soon!!!!!!









Uniform

Pupils are reminded that long hair should be tied back and hair accessories must be small and in school colours only. Trainers are not permitted unless individual permission has been sought (e.g. a temporary measure on medical grounds).

At this point of the school year ALL pupils should be wearing summer uniform.

Please can we remind families that socks must be in school colours.

New Item.... 'Bang Bang' Uniform Suppliers now stock a navy PE Hoody priced at £14.99Perfect for outdoor PE sessions and as we move towards Forest Schools status. Also if you spend £40.00 at 'Bang Bang' on uniform you will receive 25% Discount!

Big School Adventures

Big School adventures will resume from October as the remaining sessions form the Induction for the new Reception intake.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 5th July - Life Education Van - All classes/Bubble Covid Secure sessions

Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th July-Year 6 Leavers sessions -by invitation only

Thursday 8th July - Sports day- In class Bubbles- Shared via 'See Saw'

Monday 19th July - School finishes at 3.15 p.m.

Thursday 2nd September - School re-opens

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award	'EAT' Award Winner	Welfare Award
	Winner	Explore, Active, think	Winner
		creatively	
Class 1	Bailey Jenkin	Louisa Nelson	Jamie Bass
Class 2	Orlaith Knott	Elliott Williams	Joe O'Donnell
Class 3	Alythia McKeever	Elliott Capper	Jonah Hurtault
Class 4	Owen Skeffington	Oliver Hodson	Alex McKeever

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!"

