

# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

**Newsletter – Friday 8th October 2021**

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

Dear Parent/Carer,

Lots of busy learning in school once more as we move into October and notice the changing colours of the leaves and the Autumn sunshine.

At this time of year, it is traditional to think of Harvest and we would traditionally hold a Harvest service within School. As we are still unable to do this, we will organise a collection, and this will be shared with our Local Community to benefit those in need. *"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"* **Matthew 25:40**

As the Bible shows us, when we help those in our local Community who are in need, we are living out a Gospel value and our School Mission *"We live our lives as Jesus taught us"*

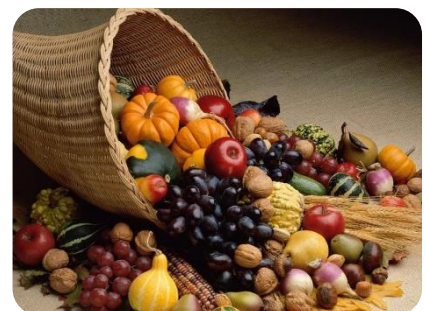
## **Harvest Collection**

From Monday we will be welcoming donations of non- perishable items, which will be shared with **Share It** Foodbank at Holy Family based in Ingol.

We would be grateful to receive your donations of Tinned items, Pasta etc. and these items may be dropped off in our Entrance Foyer.

Our Brand new school Council met and voted, and would like to also hold a PJ's day- for this there will be no charge, but we would ask for a Harvest donation. Wear your PJ's day will be on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of October.**

George Stevens, Year 6 School Councillor says *"A day like our Harvest day helps the world become a better place simply because of the kindness we show. It is right to help the homeless because of all they go through."*



## **NEW..... Mindful Moment !**



As we have had a difficult period of time throughout the pandemic, we have often talked about the importance of our wellbeing and just as it is important to ensure our bodies are healthy, we must ensure our mind is too. So, each week we will share a Mindful Moment for families, pupils and staff to enjoy!! Feel free to share pictures on See Saw!!

Red Lights –This week, rather than feel frustrated at red lights, we will use this as a little opportunity! Rather than Zone out- look around at what is going on....What can you here? See? –There is a lot you can notice in ten seconds, and the idea is to appreciate the mini break rather than be annoyed by it!

## **Forest Schools News!**

We are excited that next week we will have our Canopy and Seating circle installed on the School field. This will enable us to explore regardless of the weather and bring even more of our learning outdoors!! We hope to be able to share pictures with you this time next week!!!!

Thank you to everyone who helped us fundraise through our recent sponsored run, which raised vital funds toward this project!

## **Parking at School –Important !**

Please park at the Smiths Arms pub, and walk down to school at both drop off and collection point. Please do not park at Church. If other relatives collect or drop off on your behalf, please do pass this message on. Please do be mindful when using the carpark, of parking within marked bays.

## **Morrisons - Good to Grow Vouchers – Please donate vouchers to us**



We are collecting Morrison's 'It's Good to Grow Vouchers'. This year it is all through the My Morrisons App... **If you shop at Morrisons, please download the app and choose us**

From September, for every £10 spent in store or online, you'll get one Grow Token that your local school can then redeem for a wide range of gardening and growing equipment.

Download the MyMorrisons app today to take part.

Sign up to make your school a Morrisons Growing School

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School

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Darkinson Lane, Lancashire PR4 0RJ

Register interest

The link can be found below ....

<https://www.itsgoodtogrow.co.uk/faq>

## **Catch up Funding**

As we continue with the Government Catch up Funding, we have welcomed Mrs. Ellis to the team who will work closely alongside staff members to deliver focused intervention.

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

We are excited to share with you that we are soon ready to launch our Big School Adventures sessions which, once again, will take place each Thursday afternoon from 1.15 pm – 3.15 pm. This is a free session in which children ages 3+ can experience 'Big School'.

As we still find ourselves amongst 'tricky' times we have made the decision to launch straight after half term. We will take additional safety measures, and as such, places must be pre booked each week and numbers will be strictly limited.

The sessions will resume after half term, so our first session will take place on 4.11.21

For more information or to book, please call the School Office on 01772 729881

## **Reception places 2021**

Do you have a child that is due to start Primary School in September 2022? Applications are now open. We will hold our Annual Open day on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> of November. To book a place for yourself or a friend/ family member simply call the School Office on 01772 729881



**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY**

**APPLY NOW!**  
at [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://lancashire.gov.uk/schools)  
**School and Academy places September 2022**

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

**CLOSING DATE**  
**15 JANUARY 2022**

**School transport**  
Need transport to school?  
Please don't forget to check your eligibility for free transport.  
Search 'school transport' at [lancashire.gov.uk](http://lancashire.gov.uk)

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **My child has Coronavirus symptoms what should I do?**

Telephone the School Office to advise your child will not be attending as they are symptomatic and book a PCR test at a test centre. Once this result is returned share this with school via email. If the test is negative and the pupil remains well they may return to school.

### **If my Child demonstrated Coronavirus symptoms in school what will happen?**

You will be contacted and advised you need to collect your child and book a PCR test. Your child will remain at home until they are fit and well and able to share their Negative result.

### **We do not have to isolate anymore do we?**

Bubbles at school are removed and as such, if your child has been in contact with a positive person at school, the whole Bubble will no longer be required to isolate for 10 days. All 'Close Contacts' will be required to take a PCR test and, if this is negative, they may return to school.

NHS Track and Trace will work with families to identify 'Close Contacts'. I would strongly encourage you to liaise with school so we can support you with this and reduce the spread. As you will appreciate staff will be best placed to identify pupils who have sat together, played together etc. etc.

**At present, as we are working with Public Health England myself or Mr. Taylor will call families of Direct Contacts to inform them they need to seek a PCR.**

### **I have a box of Lateral Flow kits at home can I just use this?**

No, you would have to have a PCR result

### **Someone in my household is positive. Can my child attend school?**

We would require the pupil to seek a PCR test and share this result with school via email. If the pupil is negative please remember that this is a negative result at the point of the test and your child could still develop Coronavirus within the Isolation period. We would strongly encourage a daily Lateral Flow Test and ask families to reflect upon the risks to other pupils and staff within school. We want to work in partnership to ensure we keep each other safe and are grateful for your support.

## Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Wear you PJ's day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – School closes for Half term at 3.15 pm

## Celebrations Awards

	<b>Achievement Award Winner</b>	<b>'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, think creatively</b>	<b>Welfare Award Winner</b>
Class 1	Oliver Lawson	Meredith Holmes	Jade Beresford
Class 2	Jessica Simpson	Isabella Bolton-Rigby	Max Tidmarsh
Class 3	Nicholas Bielas-Barnes	Elliott Williams	Annie Nelson
Class 4	Luke Moyes	Maizie-lei Barton	Henry Stevens

*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!"*







# KIRKHAM ACTIVITY CAMP!

MONDAY 25TH - FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER

**OPEN TO:** ALL BOYS AND GIRLS  
AGED 6-12 YEAR OLDS

**LOCATION:** KIRKHAM ST  
MICHAELS PRIMARY SCHOOL,  
SCHOOL LANE, PR4 3SL

**FRIDAY:** HALLOWEEN PARTY AND  
ACTIVITIES. FANCY DRESS  
ENCOURAGED!

## PRICING!

FULL WEEK £60.00 / FULL DAY £14.00  
SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE £11 A DAY

(FIRST SIBLING MUST PAY IN FULL)

## TROPHIES AND PRIZES!

TROPHIES AND PRIZES AVAILABLE FOR CAMPERS OF THE  
WEEK!

## VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES!

LARGE RANGE OF GAMES AND SPORTS  
SUITABLE FOR ALL ABILITIES TO ENJOY.

## FIRST TEAM PLAYER VISITS!

OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AFC FYLDE FIRST TEAM PLAYERS,  
PLAY SPORTS, MEET AND GREET AND Q+A!

ALL COACHES ARE FULLY QUALIFIED AND DBS  
CHECKED!

PRE-BOOKING REQUIRED, BOOK YOUR PLACE TODAY!

BOOK - [WWW.AFCFYLDEFUNDATION.CO.UK/ACTIVITY-CAMPS](http://WWW.AFCFYLDEFUNDATION.CO.UK/ACTIVITY-CAMPS)  
OR CALL - 01772 598856



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