



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – Friday 21st January 2022

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

Dear Parent/Carer,

Another Action packed week in school and certainly a chilly one! Class 1 are busy learning all about people that help us and are super excited for the up and coming visit from real fire fighters!! Class 2 have their own ginger bread man who has been running around our school and setting tasks!!

Class 3 are enjoying learning about fossils and rocks whilst Class 4 have been thinking all about area within Numeracy

New uniform

We are now within the transitional period for our new uniform. All pupils are welcome to move to the new uniform now and will be required to wear the new uniform from September 2022. It is lovely to see so many people in our uniform already looking so smart.

Our School Council met today and are coming up with charity links for sharing any 'spare' old style uniform. They will share their progress with you soon.

The different uniform stockists will continue to provide an 'in school' uniform shop for sales, trying on, payment plans etc.

Covid-19- Important information

Thank you for your ongoing support with our current increase in cases within school. I fully appreciate it can put an extra burden on families to have to complete LFT's and email the results into school. This is a measure necessary to try and prevent further spread, keep everyone safe and ultimately keep school open for learning.

When sending in evidence of a Lateral Flow Test we require the NHS notification of result as shown below.



Test date: 14/01/2022

Your coronavirus lateral flow test is negative. It's likely you were not infectious when the test was done.

There is still a chance you could be infected. To stay safe:

- get vaccinated
- stay home if unwell
- wear a face covering in crowded settings
- handwash regularly
- open windows if meeting indoors
- download NHS COVID-19 app

If you're a contact, you may need to take further lateral flow tests or self-isolate.

Go to <https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus>

You report your Lateral flow result at <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Please test each morning. Results must be emailed to school on head@lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk and bursar@lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk EACH morning for 7 days. Pupils cannot attend school without this information.

Pupils arriving without the results are having to sit within the isolation area which takes additional adult supervision and prevents pupils from accessing their learning. We really do appreciate your support.

We cannot accept photographs of the LFT device.

For those identified as direct contacts we will require results to be shared for 7 days.

Please inform us at school if your child(ren) or any household member tests positive for Covid- 19 and we can provide advice.

RE HRSE scheme – Life to the full- Consultation reminder

Your child will have brought home a letter and Parental leaflet from Mrs. Williams our RE Coordinator in regard to our HRSE scheme 'Life to the full'. Copies of this letter along with a parental leaflet have also been shared on our school website. Families are invited to view materials and give feedback. Full details of this consultation opportunity can be found within the letter. Should you require any support please do contact Mrs. Williams on williams@lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk

Friends of St Mary's - FOSM

Unwated gifts

Do you have any unwanted gifts – Bath sets, games etc. which you would be happy to donate to FOSM for future bric a brac sales. Please drop these off in reception.

Christmas Jumpers

Has you child(ren) grown out of their Christmas Jumper ? Will it be too small by December 2022?. We would welcome donations for our Christmas Jumper sale next year!! Any jumpers can be sent to school. Thank you for your generosity !!

Child Action North West CANW– Mental Health week - Colour day - Express yourself and Grow together !!! - 7.1.22

As you will be aware each Monday our Counsellor Leigh Roberston from CANW comes into school and is available for everyone for drop ins, focused support and to offer advice. Leigh would like to share some information about CANW themed day. We all know how important mental wellbeing is more so now than ever so we would love to be involved with CANW and support them on this day. Leigh shares below some information about the Mental Health Week.

Children's Mental Health Week 2022

- Children's Mental Health Week is taking place on 7-13 February 2022. This year's theme is growing together, children (and adults) are being encouraged to consider how they have grown, and how they can help others to grow.*
- 1 in 6 children and young people have a diagnosable mental health problem, and many more struggle with challenges from bullying to bereavement*
- The week is an opportunity to shine a spotlight on children and young people's mental health. By getting involved, we will not only be raising important awareness, but also vital funds to ensure every child has easy access to mental health support.*

On Monday 7th of February I invite you to take part

- Wear your favourite colour!*
- Wear a colour to express how you feel!*
- Wear something that makes you feel happy!*

At several points in the day the children will all have a sing and a dance to S Club 7's hit "Reach For The Stars"

It's important to remember that being able to express yourself is not about being the best at something or putting on a performance for others. It is about finding a way to show who you are, and how you see the world, that can help you feel good about yourself.

- We are asking each child to make a contribution of £1, which will be donated to CANW to help provide mental health services for children and young people. Emotional Health and Wellbeing - CANW*
- On the day, staff from CANW will be coming into school to take photos and film clips of the sing-a-long to promote the week on their website.*

If you would prefer that your child isn't featured in these, please let your class teacher know.

Here are some colour ideas and facts.....

YELLOW COLOUR *Yellow is cheerful, sunny, and attracts attention. Wearing yellow is said to improve memory, give strength, and reinforces self-confidence.*

ORANGE COLOUR *people who wear orange are said to be hard working, creative, and full of energy.*

RED COLOUR *It is the most intense and emotional colour. The colour of love. Red expresses confidence:*

PINK COLOUR *people who are gentle and loving and who are full of compassion and understanding.*

VIOLET COLOUR *represents sophistication. It is a colour of royalty. Violet should be worn by people who want peace and tranquillity.*

BLUE COLOUR *It encourages decision making, brings understanding, wisdom, and strengthens self-confidence and a sense of responsibility to others.*

GREEN COLOUR *Green symbolizes nature. It is soothing and refreshing*

BROWN COLOUR *Brown is the colour of the earth; it means strength and reliability.*

BLACK COLOUR *Black is the colour of power and strength. It is elegant and timeless.*

I Look forward to seeing the colours of the Rainbow as you express yourself, Leigh Robertson

Big School Adventures

Big School Adventures takes place 1.15 – 3.15 pm each week. Places are strictly limited and must be booked in advance.

Dates for your diary :

7.2.22 – CANW Mental health Day – Dress to express- Favourite colour £1.00 to CANW

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Atonio Qereqeretabua	Sandra Stec	Roisin Moss
Class 2	Darcey Chambers	Dougie Pye	Joe O'Donnell
Class 3	Jonah Maduka	Noah Foxall-Holmes	Noah Foxall-Holmes
Class 4	Olivia Leigh	Chloe Gildea	Charlie Whitehead

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!"

