



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – 30th June 2023

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

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Another action packed week in school with our fantastic Sports Day and we were very lucky the weather was so kind to us! The last few week are always incredibly busy filled with fun, visits and even more exciting experiences!

Sports Day– Monday 26th June



Our Sports day was a great success and a HUGE thank you to all who were able to join us and make this such a memorable occasion for our pupils. Thank you for your fantastic feedback and for cheering the children along.



I also would like to extend a thank you to the FOSM and all who gave their time- whether it was packing up popcorn, slicing hotdog buns or running a stall we had a huge variety of activities to make this day extra special and raise funds..... from 'Welly Wanging' to face painting pupils and families enjoyed our afternoon and there was a wonderful family atmosphere!



Class 1-

Sebby- "It was really good!"

Eli- "I really liked it".

Thea- "I thought it was good and I really liked the running race".

Amelia- "I really liked the running race".

Class 2-

Maxwell- "I thought it was FANTASTIC and I really liked the obstacle race".

Nio- "I liked the running race".

Klara- "I liked the running race because I won".

Isaac- "I liked the running race and the egg and spoon race".

Bailey- "I liked the football dribbling because I really like football".

Class 3-

Henry- "I thought it was fun. I enjoyed the egg and spoon race because we got lots of goes".

Jessica M- "I thought it was fun and unique".

Elliott W- "I really enjoyed being with the other classes and there wasn't really any waiting time".

Meeya- I thought it was different in a good way because we got to do it in our House Teams and in an order".

Class 4-

Teddy- I thought it was entertaining, fun and I can't wait for next year's sports day!".

Freya- "I really enjoyed the races at the end of the afternoon".

Macie- "I think it was fun but tiring".

Callum- "I was glad I was here for this Sports Day!".

The St Mary's Talent show and the Sports Day Bonanza have raised just under £600 which is a phenomenal total and all these funds will go back to our pupils....we are already looking at purchasing some more books and without your help and support this would not be possible.

It is, however, about more than just the money and is about creating memories and a sense of family and community so, once again, I thank everyone for their support.

The FOSM will continue to work hard to raise lots of money and put on events and experiences for our children and EVERYONE is welcome to join at any point- whether you can attend meetings, or spare an hour to shop / plan before an event. New members are always welcome. Tom, our Chair of FOSM, met with our new families this week at the Induction session to welcome them too!

I would like to thank Mrs. Malek for her support as Secretary and all her efforts to date. Mrs Malek is unable to continue in this formal role but continues to support FOSM. Mrs. Ellis and Miss Calvert will undertake this role going forward.

School Meals

Due to the increased costs of food supplies we are having to increase the cost of school dinners to £2.45 from September 2023. Pupils in EYFS and KS1 will continue to receive a free school meal as part of the Government's Universal Infant Free School Meal initiative.

Class 4 OLCHS Visit to watch “ Shrek The Musical ” – 27.6.23

On Tuesday Class 4 had a fantastic 'Theatre experience' as they headed to Our Lady's to watch 'Shrek the Musical'! Thank you to the FOSM who covered the entire cost of transport. We were all very excited as it is always lovely to head to Our Lady's and spot familiar faces as we look out for our St Mary's family members- our past pupils!

We didn't have to look too far as our past pupil Hannah Griffiths had the lead role as Princess Fiona and we could not have been prouder! We also spotted Lucia Wright, Evie Holland Bass singing and dancing as well as spotting Christopher Holland Bass on sound control and Katie Davis on the drums!!



*“Whilst at Shrek you could tell it has been rehearsed multiple times as it was perfect!
How well they performed – it was very professional and every bit was polished!”*

Finney Griffiths

"Our Lady's production of Shrek was fantastic- even better knowing past pupils and members of the St. Mary's School family had parts! Well done to everyone in the production" Mrs. Royles

Confirmation - 30.6.23 – Our Lady & St Michaels R C Church, Alston Lane

We send our love to some members of our Year 6 who make their next Sacrament – The Sacrament of Confirmation. This is an important step on their Faith journey.

We pray for : Isla Kilshaw Saint name " Eva", Penny Robinson Saint name " Lucy", Jonah Hurtualt Saint name " David" – They will all make their confirmation tonight at Our Lady & St Michaels R C Church, Alston Lane.

We celebrated with a SURPRISE confirmation breakfast this morning.



We also pray for Jack Spickett -Saint Name " Simon" Jack will make his confirmation at a later date in July.

RE Newsletter

You child will have brought home an RE Newsletter which details changes to the RE Curriculum as well as inviting your feedback. Copies are also available on our website.

We would really love your views on the Catholic Life of our school - all comments and thoughts are welcome!

Any comments, questions or feedback can be emailed to Taylor@lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk

Transition Day – 3.7.23

On Monday as our Year 6 pupils attend Our Lady's Catholic High School for the day we will hold our Whole School Transition Day.

Every pupil will spend the full day in their new classes with their new class mates and staff. Pupils may line up in their new class/ year groups and I am sure will have a fun day getting to know each other!

Vision and Mission Workshop

On Tuesday we will pull together our months of hard work from our staff, Governor, Pupils and family sessions as we work to write our Schools' Mission and find our perfect motto/ Phrase. Thank you to all who have added any thoughts or ideas in the entrance Foyer and please feel free to email any Scripture inspiration to - head@lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk

Helping Hands

With the support of St. Mary's Parish we have created a 'Helping Hands Fund' - This means we have a stock of tinned food/ non-perishable items and toiletries ...So, if you ever need a little 'Helping Hand' please just ask and we can gladly put a pack together.

Dates for your Diary

3rd July - Whole school transition day and Year 6 Our Lady's visit day
13th July - Class 4 Production 'The Island that Rocks' 10 a.m. & 4 p.m.
18th July - Leavers Awards Assembly
11 am Leavers Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church

Celebrations Awards

	Achievement Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Ava Capper	Edward Stevens	Freddie Phoenix
Class 2	William McMillan	Sandra Stec	Keon Bruney
Class 3	Jack Moyes	Eden Heslop	Annie Nelson
Class 4	Jaiden Connell	Elliott Capper	Finney 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!"



