

# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter – 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

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'Loved and Inspired by Mary ....
We shine and learn as a family of God'

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have reached the end of our summer term and indeed the end of our school year. What a fantastic year it has been full of learning, laughter and fun!

As always, I am incredibly proud of the pupils who make St. Mary's the special place it is and make our school a place in which pupils 'shine and learn'. I would like to thank you, our families for your ongoing support and the great sense of community. Finally I thank the Governors and staff who care deeply about our school and go the extra mile each and every day!

Canon Adrian shares this end of year prayer with us;

Heavenly Father,

As we come to the end of our school year we give you thanks for all the blessings we have received.

We thank you for everyone in our school and pray especially for those who will be leaving this time.

May we have a happy and restful holiday and bring joy to our families and friends.

We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



We reach the difficult point where we have to say our goodbyes. This is never easy-Whilst we are filled with pride watching these young people grow before our eyes we will miss each and every one of them and their unique personalities.

We send our love and blessings to;

Bryon Chambers, Jaiden Connell, Oliver Hooper, Jonah Hurtault, Isla Kilshaw, Olivia Leigh, Pane Lewis, Chloe Moore, Penny Robinson, Alfie Shaw, Jack Spickett, Henry Stevens, Callum Tennant and Leah Whitehead.

We also send our love and prayers to Mrs. Jennings and wish her every future happiness in her new role. She has been a very special member of our school family who will be truly missed.

We look forward to welcoming our new Reception friends into school in September too!





## The John Rider Bisby Community Award

On Monday we were delighted to welcome Mrs. Ann Bisby to present the Award for 2023 John Rider Bisby Community Award: This year our Winner was Agatha Holmes and Highly Commended was Jack Spickett. Both of them demonstrated our school values and demonstrated their **Faith in Action** as they completed acts of charity showing love and care. We are very proud of both of them!!

"When I found out I was the winner I was really excited! I am really proud that I raised money for charities" Agatha Holmes, Class 3



"I decided to raise money for my Nan who has been suffering from an illness and everyone who else who is affected" Jack Spickett, Class 4



## Year 6 Leavers Trip - Rock and River

On Thursday the Year 6 celebrated their last few days in school with a visit to Rock and River and what a day they had!! They showed wonderful team work, overcame their fears and had lots of fun!! We were blessed with the weather and a great day was had by everyone making memories!

"I think it was really fun. I felt bit nervous at the start – I got through it and it was a really, really exquisite day!! I was super proud when I went into the water- I thought it was deep at first...soon I was jumping into the water with glee and fun!" Dane Lewis

"Before everything I felt nervous but it was really fun – I would definitely go again! Best bit was the Mega Boards!" Penny Robinson

"We had so much fun on Thursday – My favourite part was when we went on the Mega Board into the middle of the lake and we kept jumping in! It was an amazing experience and will never be forgotten!" Oliver Hooper







## New roles and responsibilities

Our New Ambassadors - Head boy: Elliott Capper and Head Girl: Felicity Pye

### **House Captains:**

Matthew: Macie Dixon

Mark: Alythia McKeever Luke: Jonah Maduka John: Elliot Reid

## **Platinum Star Winners**



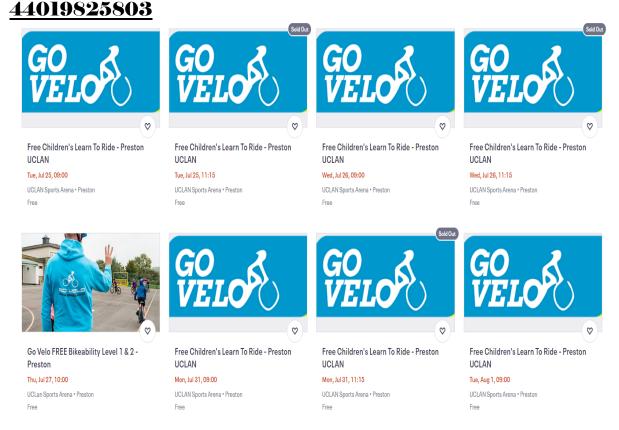
A very special WELL DONE to our Platinum Star Winners this term : Phoebe Simpson, Isaac Aya, Leos Koustakotas, Jaiden Connell and Meeya Patel



## **Summer works**

Over the Summer holidays we have some works planned and are excited to be able to share the results upon our return. Class 2 will be getting a refurbishment alongside our ICT suite. Classes 2 and 4 will have their final windows replaced and we hope to have a brand new front doorway too!!

# <u>Summer Holiday experiences and opportunities</u> <a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/go-velo-holiday-sessions-preston-44010692502">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/go-velo-holiday-sessions-preston-44010692502</a>







## **Important Information from September 23**

We are delighted that from September we can offer outdoor learning/ Forest School sessions across the whole school. A note is shared below from Mrs. Reid the new Forest Lead which details the days your child(ren) will take part. On the days pupils have Forest Schools sessions;

Firstly I would like to thank Mrs Jennings for the support over the past 2 years whilst I have been shadowing her as Forest School lead.

I look forward to when we return in September and all classes will benefit from forest schools throughout the year. The timetable will be as follows.

Monday- class 1 weekly

Wednesday- class 3 and 4 this will be split into terms

	Class 3	Class 4
Autumn 1	X	
Autumn2		X
Spring 1	X	
Spring 2		Х
Summer 1	X	
Summer 2		X

Friday- class 2 weekly

## **Big School Adventures**

Big School Adventures has ended today and will re launch next October as **Nature Detectives-** lots of scientific fun and outdoor exploring open to anyone aged 3 or over!

Big School Adventures makes a HUGE difference to transition helping pupils experience 'Big School', meet the team and grow in confidence.

Next School Year the session will take place each THURSDAY from 1.15 - 3.00 pm

<sup>\*\*</sup> On the day pupils have Forest School they attend school already wearing their Forest School Uniform



# **Helping Hands**

With the support or St. Mary's Parish we have a 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**

4<sup>th</sup> September School Reopens

# Celebrations Awards

# Coming soon .... Our Faith In Action Award!

Look out for our first winner announced at the end of our first week in school.

	Faith in Action Award	'EAT' Award Winner	Welfare Award Winner	
		Explore, Active, Think		
		creatively		
Class 1			Key stage One winner	
Class 2				
Class 3			Key stage Two winner	
Class 4				

## 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!"





