

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter –22nd March 2024

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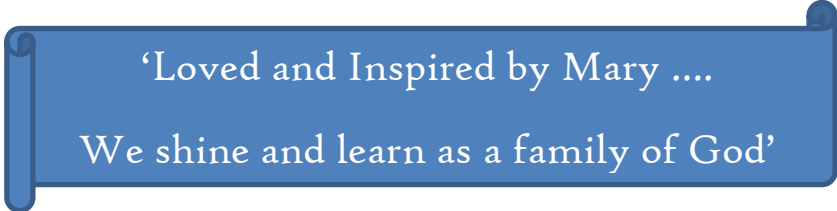


Our Parish Links

St. Mary's Lea Town, Darkinson Lane and

St. Andrew and Blessed George Haydock, Hoyles Lane Cottam.

www.standrewscottam.org.uk



Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week we shared our final Lenten Breakfast and enjoyed a lovely Breakfast afterwards. Thank you to all who supported us and to Canon Adrian for kindly funding the Lenten Breakfast food items throughout.

This week Lenten Mass and Breakfast	Lenten Thursday Activity
14.3.24- 8.15 Mass followed by Breakfast	Tuck Shop – Monies raised for St. Catherine's Hospice
Next Week	Lenten Thursday Activity
NO Mass as Maundy Thursday	Deign an Easter Garden £ 1.00 to enter

Tuck Shop 21.3.24

On Thursday we enjoyed a Tuck shop enjoying crisps and cans and it felt a little like Break The Rules Day!!



" I liked when I got to buy some Pepsi!" Roman Wild

" I liked how we were able to eat crisps at play time!" Thea Koutsokostas



Cross Country – 20.3.24

On Wednesday 6 runners from Class 4 braved the rain and mud in the morning and headed to take part in the Cross-Country event



“It was a good experience. It felt longer than a mile because of the amount of non- stop running. It was very muddy but we still enjoyed being there and I saw friends from outside of school too and competed against them!” Elliott Capper, Class 4

“The competition was really fun even though it was muddy, wet and cold! When the rest of my Team mates were cheering me on they really encouraged me!” Annie Nelson, Class 4



Breakfast and After School Club

Your child will have brought home a letter on Wednesday which detailed the upcoming changes to Breakfast and After School Club. The summary table is shared below

	Summer 1 8 th April – 20 th May	Summer 2 10 th June – 19 th July
Breakfast Club	7.30 am £3.50 per session	7.30 am £4.00 per session
After School Club Mon- Thur	Late Pick up £3.00 ASC £7.00	Late Pick up £4.00 ASC £8.00
After School Club Friday	3.15 -4.15 £5.00 No late pick up service	3.15 -4.15 £5.00 No late pick up service

Attendance

Your child will bring home their termly Coloured Attendance Letter on Monday. This indicates where your child's attendance sits in line with both School and National expectations. School has a Target of 95% attendance. Nationally attendance of less than 90% is deemed as a persistent absentee.

I fully appreciate that when a child is poorly they absolutely cannot be here and we share attendance not as a negative but so we can work in partnership to support you as needed.

School Uniform

After the Easter Holiday all pupils will return in Summer uniform. Full details can be found on our School website. Pictures are included below

<https://www.lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk/parent-information/uniform/>



We do have many uniform items in stock here in school now and an order form can be obtained from the School Office.

First Holy Communion Preparation

Sacramental Preparation

We are really looking forward to meeting the children and starting their preparations. The first session will take place at the Church Annex on Tuesday 27th February at 3.15pm. The first three sessions will focus upon First Reconciliation (First Confession).

The remaining dates are as follows;

Tuesday 5th March at 3:15pm

*Tuesday 12th March at 3:15pm – The pupils will make their First Reconciliation which will focus on First Holy Communion. **Please could we ask that parents attend this session.***

The last three sessions will focus on First Holy Communion

Tuesday 19th March at 3:15pm – 5.15 –Church Annex extended session

~~Tuesday 26th March 3:15pm – Church Annex cancelled session~~

Tuesday 16th April 3:15pm – Church Annex

These sessions will start straight after school, we will collect the pupils from school and walk them over to church. At 4:20pm they are to be collected from the annex, the meeting room behind church. The children will be greeted with a drink of juice and biscuits.

*Pupils will make their First Holy Communion **Sunday 21st April 9.00am Mass St Mary's** followed by Communion Breakfast in the school hall.*

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Jackie Fitzpatrick

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

27.3.24 – Pray- a-thon - Stations of the Cross in school

28.3.24 – Easter Lunch for ALL pupils and staff

28.3.24 - Easter Dash- £2.50 Flyer sent

Celebrations Awards

	Faith in Action Award	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Roman Wild	Poppy Brown	Maya Harrison
Class 2	Pippa Doherty	Yahya Majeed	
Class 3	Henry Doherty	Nabila Malek	Teddy Abram-Jebb
Class 4	Aggie Holmes	Deondre Thompson	

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!”

