



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter –4th October 2024

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'Loved and Inspired by Mary

We shine and learn as a family of God'

A busy week in school with School Council Hustings, the fabulous Book Fair and Parents' Evening. Thank you to everyone who came along to Parents' Evening and shared this opportunity to discuss progress with your Child's Teacher.



**WE ARE ALL DIFFERENT...WE ARE ALL
UNIQUE...WE ARE ONE FAMILY !**

- Democracy;
- The rule of Law;
- Individual Liberty;
- Mutual Respect;
- Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs



Class One Family Invitations

Reception Stay and Play

Monday 14th October, 8:45am- 9:15am

Our new Reception friends would like to invite families for a 'Stay and Play' session. There will be an opportunity for our children to show you round our fabulous learning environment and there will be fun activities to complete together. We look forward to welcoming you.

Early Reading Workshop

Tuesday 8th October

2 sessions- 8:45am and 2:45pm

Mr. C (English Lead) and Mrs. Ellis (Class 1 teacher) would like to invite families to a short workshop where they will share information about the teaching of Early Reading and Phonics in our school. They will discuss strategies you may wish to use to support your child with reading at home and there will be an opportunity to ask any questions.***This invitation is also extended to our Class 2 families***

Punctuality and Attendance

I would like to ask for your continued support in ensuring pupils arrive punctually for the start of the school day.

School commences at 08.45 which means should be in school ready to commence learning for 08.45am. The door will be closed promptly in line with our safeguarding policies, and as such any Pupil arriving late will need to be brought into Reception and signed in by their Parent/Carer.

Thank you for supporting us to maximise learning and enabling a prompt start to our school day.

BOOK FAIR



Firstly, just a quick note to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who visited the Book Fair at Parent's Evening and purchased a book- THANK YOU!!

Don't forget, the Book Fair will be open in the Rainbow Room after school each night- the FINAL night is Tuesday 8th October 2024. *If you have seen a book in the leaflet (or online) that was sent home or the book is not on the shelf at the fair, let me know and I can order it to be sent into school- there are still lots of books available still on the bookshelves! Mr C

School Council News



Firstly a huge Thank you to all who put themselves forward to be a Councillor. We appreciate all the time you spent putting yourself forward to represent your friends at our school; you busily prepared things at home – Posters, Rosettes and speeches and the School has looked so colourful with your campaign posters.

We know not everyone can win, and this can be disappointing – but we are all so proud of your efforts. As an E.A.T. learner we persevere and are always willing to have a go and do our best!

The School Council 2024 are...

Reception Councillor	Holly Wilson
Year 1 Councillor	Matthew Williams
Year 1 Councillor	Martha Robinson
Year 2 Councillor	Arlo Pennington
Year 3 Councillor	Oliver Lawson
Year 4 Councillor	Freddie Reid
Year 5 Councillor	Nabila Malek
Year 5 Councillor	Leos Koutsokostas
Year 6 Councillor	Cody Smith

Open Day – 29.10.24

Our School Open day is planned for Tuesday 29th of October from 3.30 – 6.00 pm. For further information please call, email or see our poster in the entrance Foyer.

Staff contacts

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FOSM

Thank you to everyone who attended last month's Friends of St. Mary's meeting. We were delighted to see new faces and hear great ideas for the coming months and Christmas! Our next meeting will be a drop-in session after drop off on Friday, 18th October. This meeting will also serve as our Annual General Meeting (AGM), where we will outline events, expenditures, and objectives for the coming year. The roles of Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary will be held for the rest of this school year to ensure we can do the best we can for our school. If you can't attend the meeting and would like to add anything to the agenda, please get in touch.

Our first fundraiser will be a non-uniform day on Tuesday, 8th October (£1), followed by a yummy tuck shop on the last day of term (18th October), for which we will provide all the drinks and snacks.

We're excited to plan some great events this year, and everyone is welcome to participate and help make them the best they can be!

Dates for your diary

08.10.24 - Reading Workshop - 8.45-9.15am or 2.45-3.15pm

08.10.24 - FOSM - Own Clothes Day

14.10.24 - Whole School Flu Immunisation

15.10.24 - Feast of St. Luke Day - Wear Blue Day

18.10.24 - School closes for half term at 3.15 pm

Useful Information

School times

School Start 08.45 am

School Finish time 15.15 pm

Forest School - This commenced w/c 09.09.24

Monday: Class 1 Forest School

Wednesday: Class 3 OR class 4 Forest School - Autumn 1 Class 3 Autumn 2 Class 4

Friday: Class 2

PE Days

Class 1: Wed pm and Fri pm

Class 2: Tue pm and Wed pm

Class 3: Monday pm and Thurs pm

Class 4: Tuesday (Swimming) and Thursday pm ** Swimming commences from 10.9.24

Big School Adventures

Sessions commenced Thursday 3rd October, and will continue each Thursday during term time from 1.15 - 3.00 pm. If you would like your child to attend, please either email or contact the school office to book their place

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.

Celebration Awards

	Faith in Action Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Curtis Beresford	Xavier Qereqeretabua	King Simpson
Class 2	Sebby Allen	Maya Harrison	
Class 3	Imaan Khan	Ralph Heaton	Jimmy Skeffington
Class 4	Joey Farley	Eden Heslop	

