



# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## School details

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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](http://www.standrewscottam.org.uk)

'Loved and Inspired by Mary ....

We shine and learn as a family of God'

Yet another action packed week in school, and this week our Class 4 friends set off on their Residential to Hothersall Lodge. We have been so very proud of their efforts and attitudes and it has been a pleasure to watch them shine! I had the pleasure of attending for the day with a few pupils on Thursday, and was so very proud of their attitudes and resilience. From over-coming their fears and climbing high or zip wiring to persevering to light their own fires, we look forward to sharing lots of pictures and quotes with you next week!!!

Next week we celebrate Harvest.... We thank God for the gifts we have and collect to share with those who may need a **“Helping Hand”**. All items will be used to create family hampers to support those in our local communities.



	Suggested donation item
Class 1	A tinned item (anything that makes a meal is great such as beans and sausages, macaroni cheese etc.)
Class 2	Pasta, rice or noodles
Class 3	Treat items – such as Crisps, breadsticks, biscuits, crackers
Class 4	Toiletry items – this may be soap, toothpastes, toothbrushes deodorants etc.

## **Great Fire of London experience – 7.10.24**

On Monday, Class 2 enjoyed a visit from Professor Tuesday who led a session on the Great Fire of London. They told the story acting out the different parts and had great fun

We are so grateful for the donation we received from an anonymous member of our extended school family, meaning there was no charge for this experience!!

*"It was really funny because she told us jokes and made the story funny"* Phoebe Simpson

*"She had little Tudor Houses"* Ivy Robinson

*"You were in groups and did acting- we shook hands to say show the houses were so close together"* Daisy Simpson



## **Book Fair – Thank YOU**

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Pupils.

I would like to say a HUGE to everyone who attended and purchased a book or books from our School Book Fair over the last week!



We managed to raise a **MASSIVE** £885.31, which is the largest total we have raised in our school, so **THANK YOU!!**

This now means we will receive £442.66 back from the Book Fair, to spend on books in school for classrooms, our library and other areas around school.

THANK YOU so much for helping support our Book Fair, supporting reading and encouraging our children to have a love of reading across school!

Mr C  
English Co-Ordinator

## **Parental support**

**ONE STOP SHOp**

**A monthly drop in where families**  
can access free advice & support

- Pathway Navigator-ASD-ADHD & More
- School Nurse - Bed wetting Sleep Hygiene & More
- Housing - Preston City Council - Gateway
- Citizen Advice
- Benefit Advice - DWP
- Emotional Health and Wellbeing
- Debt Advice/Support
- Employment advice - DWP
- Relationship advice
- Home safety - Lancs Fire & Rescue
- Free Funded Nursery Places
- Lancashire Women
- Find out about:  
Mental health support  
Accessing Food Banks  
Household living support

**No Appointment Needed**

**Last Tuesday of the month, 2pm 'until 4pm**

**RIBBLETON FAMILY HUB PRESTON**

Ribbleson Family Hub,  
Ribbleson Hall Drive,  
Ribbleson,  
Preston,  
PR2 6EE

## **Open Day – 29.10.24**

Our School Open day is planned for Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> 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 for supporting the FOSM own clothes Day- A Total of £77 was raised, which will be used for the Tuck shop!

The next meeting will be a drop-in session after drop off on Friday, 18th October. It was suggested that this meeting would also serve as our Annual General Meeting (AGM), where we will outline events, expenditures, and objectives for the coming year.

The FOSM suggested that the roles of Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary would be held for the rest of this school year to ensure we can do the best we can for our school. This was from a practical perspective, as changing signatories, bank details etc. takes a considerable amount of time. However, because I wanted to ensure we are open if anyone strongly wishes to undertake a role or has any objections, as previous FOSM posting stated, please come along to the meeting and/or email in any thoughts of views.

The FOSM ultimately is to group of people working together to raise money for pupils. This is to enable them to have the very best experiences!

Opportunities such as the Whole School Pantomime, visits and visitors, as well as fun events such as Theatre performances and Discos are all supported by monies raised and we do not want any pupil to miss out.

We want EVERYONE to feel part of the FOSM- Staff, Parents, Grandparents and Friends- this is an open group where every single view and suggestion is welcome. Being a team makes us far more effective, so please join us or email us and let's get planning some fabulous events!!!

## **Photographs**

Please could you return any Red Curl Photo ordering forms (Individuals and Siblings) to the school office by **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> of October** – Thank you

## **Dates for your diary**

14.10.24 - Harvest Assembly and donations

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 commenced from 10.9.24

## **Big School Adventures**

Big School Adventures is up and running and we have already welcomed lots of new friends. Mrs. Ellis has a Bouncy Bodies fitness theme and we now have Adrian from A Star spots who leads a fun session too!

Each session runs 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**

	<b>Faith in Action Award Winner</b>	<b>'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively</b>	<b>Welfare Award Winner</b>
Class 1	Noah Diamond-Bugler	Jude Troup	Poppy Brown
Class 2	Isabelle Baptiste	Ava Capper	
Class 3	Jamie Bass	Isaac Aya	Rome Heaton
Class 4	Nabila Malek	Whole of Class 4	

