

ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER – 10th September 2021

SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome to our first newsletter of the year. It was lovely to see everyone and we have had a good first week of term. The children are settling well and all the staff are pleased to see the pupils. Each Teacher will send home a class newsletter today with information about topics and homework. We also welcome Miss Cunningham, our Family Support Worker, who is looking forward to working with our families.

MORRISONS 'IT'S GOOD TO GROW SCHEME'

Morrisons have launched a new scheme for customers who have a Morrisons Loyalty Card. Customers gain one 'It's Good to Grow' token in their My Morrisons account app and website for every £10 that is spent in store or online. This can then be donated to their chosen school to redeem equipment such as gardening tools, composting bins and seeds to get growing. We would be grateful if you could nominate St Mary's as your chosen school so we can get extra resources for our children. Thank you for your support.

DROP OFF AND COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Just a reminder that children need to be in class by 9.00 am as lessons are starting at this time. Teachers do not dismiss their classes until 3.20 pm this new term so there is no need to arrive too early at the gates or office and have an unnecessary wait. Please continue to use the one-way system around the school, although a parent with a pram may come to the office.

PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We currently have 2 vacancies for parents to join our Governing Body. Parent Governors have an important and influential role to play in the life of our school. They are elected by the parents of pupils at this school to serve a 4-year term of office. If you wish to put yourself forward for election, please complete and return the nomination form, which will be sent home/emailed today.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Letters have been sent home regarding Year 6 Booster Classes and Activity Clubs for the Autumn Term. Please complete and return the permission slip if you wish your child to be involved. Thank you.

NURSERY PLACES

We have a wonderful nursery, led by our Early Years Team. We do have places for children who have turned 3 for 15 hours and 30 hour placements. Please contact us to apply for a place.

EXTRA BANK HOLIDAY FOR QUEEN'S JUBILEE

To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, the Nation has been given an extra bank holiday on Friday 3rd June 2021. This Bank Holiday falls within our Spring Bank holidays so the School has to close for an additional day during the School Year. St Mary's has chosen Friday 17th December 2021 to be our extra day's holiday. This means that the Autumn Term will finish on Thursday 16th December 2021.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

You can now apply for a secondary school place for your Year 6 child through the Lancashire County Council website (<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>). Applications must be received by 31st October 2021.

WEEKLY AWARDS

STAR OF THE WEEK

Nursery – Joe-Lee Turner
Reception – Liliana Schofield
Year 1 – Layla-Jai Shaw
Year 2 – Theo Haselden
Year 3 - Ted Sayer
Year 4 - Oona Bridge
Year 5 – Jay Thomas
Year 6J – Lee Taylor
Year 6K – Jayden Poynton-Currie



ATTENDANCE

Here are our attendance figures for this week. The winning class will receive £10 for class treats.

Reception	98.0%
Year 1	92.5%
Year 2	96.6%
Year 3	88.3%
Year 4	100.0% (Winner)
Year 5	92.1%
Year 6J (Mrs Jackson)	90.6%
Year 6K (Mrs Knowles)	91.7%

Weekly Overall School Attendance is 93.6%



BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"

2 Corinthians 5:17