# ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER 14TH APRIL 2022

# **SCHOOL NEWS**

We have been working hard to commemorate the events of Easter this week. All classes produced creative displays and beautiful reflections to help teach each other about the Stations of the Cross. Children visited the displays in the hall on Tuesday and had quiet discussions about Jesus' life. Here are some pictures:-









Father Chris celebrated Mass with Key Stage 2 on Tuesday and the children were really well behaved and respectful during the service. Year 3 and 4 performed their Easter Production on Wednesday that was enjoyed by the whole school and Mr Flood, our Chair of Governors, commented on the quality of the performance and the hall displays. A video will be uploaded to St Mary's website before the weekend and a password will be texted to families.

During Assembly today, we held our Easter Raffle and all classes had an Easter Egg hunt. We hope the children enjoy their Easter treat provided by the School.

Congratulations to our Growth Mindset certificate winners for this week. Our focus has been **EMPATHY.** Well done to:-

Nursery – Joe-Lee Turner

Reception - Liliana Schofield

Y1 – Marshall Murray

Y2 – Mia Rowell

Y3 – Liah Hamer

Y4 – Evelyn Diggin

Y5 - Millie-May Thomas

Y6K - Lee Taylor

Y6J - Aiden Thomas

## **CHANGE TO OPENING HOURS AFTER EASTER**

From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April, Breakfast Bagels will be available from 8.45 am. Year 6 children, who wish to continue preparing the bagels, should arrive at 8.30 am. Nursery morning sessions will also start at 8.45 am to 11.45 am. Nursery afternoon sessions will change to 12.15 pm to 3.15 pm.

### **SWIMMING**

After the Easter Holidays, Year 3 will be swimming on Wednesday mornings until the Summer holidays. Year 6K will be swimming on Thursday afternoons until the Spring Bank holidays and then Year 6J will be swimming on Thursday afternoons after the Spring Bank holidays until the Summer.

## ONLINE SAFETY – Here is this week's Top Tip for Limiting time online/screen time

Try to limit use of social media applications, in particular Tik Tok and Snapchat. What other fun things can you do instead which doesn't involve a digital device? Go for a walk, colour, play a game, do a jigsaw, build a den! Here is a helpful parent's guide.

## **SATS ASSESSMENTS**

Year 6 will be taking their SATS tests week commencing Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The school will be providing special breakfasts at 8.30 am for our Year 6 children so they are well prepared each morning. It is very important that Year 6 children are on time every day as tests start promptly in the mornings.

Year 2 will be completing their SATS assessments during May 2022. Year 1 Phonics Screening (and some Year 2 children) will take place the week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Year 4 Multiplication checks will also take place from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

#### **RECEPTION CLASS PLACES**

Parents will be emailed by Lancashire County Council on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to confirm Reception Class places for September.

# **EASTER HOLIDAYS**

We will be finishing school today for our Easter break. School reopens on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Breakfast Club will be available from 8.00 am.

## **WEEKLY AWARDS - STAR OF THE WEEK**

Nursery - Eddie Johnson

Reception - Jaxon Edge

Year 1 – Lilly-Anne Rawstron

Year 2 – Lexie Gregory

Year 3 – Georgia-Grace McMahon

Year 4 - Charlie Braide

Year 5 - Melita Abela

Year 6J - Jayden Raby

Year 6K - Isaac Shimmin

## **ATTENDANCE**

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

Reception - 85.5%

Year 1 - 91.5%

Year 2 - 92.0%

Year 3 - 84.6%

Year 4 - 90.0%

Year 5 – 93.2% (Winner)

Year 6J (Mrs Jackson) – 87.5%

Year 6K (Mrs Knowles) – 88.3%

Weekly Overall School Attendance is 89.3%

# **BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

