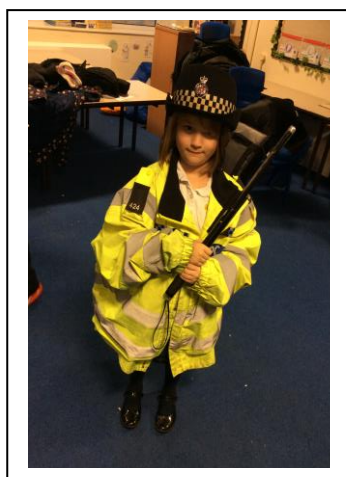


ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER – 27TH JANUARY 2023

SCHOOL NEWS

We were very lucky to have our local firefighters visit us last Friday. They spent time discussing fire safety with Y2 and how to make a 999 call.



We would like to say thank you to our local police officers who have been running a 'Police Cadets' after school club over the past month. It has been fascinating for the children to find out about police work in the community, fingerprinting and DNA and the job of a police officer. We were even allowed to look at a police van and had a visit from a special police dog.

On Wednesday we held a phonics and reading workshop for parents and carers, about how we approach the teaching of phonics and reading in school. Thank you to all those who attended, it was a positive session with lots of discussion about how we can support children in their learning.



We will be offering another session later in the year, as well as a workshop regarding mental health and wellbeing for children, and a maths workshop. We will inform you of the dates for these workshops nearer the time.

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Next week is National Storytelling Week and we will be focusing on activities promoting storytelling and reading each day. We will also be having a whole school Art/DT week with different year groups concentrating on developing skills including photography, structures, prehistoric art and puppet making.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

The Y1 assembly planned for next week has been postponed until Tuesday 7th February at 9.15am in the hall. And on Wednesday 8th February at 9.15am, Y4 will be holding their class assembly in the hall. We look forward to seeing you supporting your child's class if you would like to join us for their assembly.

TEACHER STRIKES

Please see the separate letter sent out to parents today regarding the first strike on Wednesday 1st February. We are planning to keep St Mary's open but will notify you of any significant changes prior to this.

ONLINE SAFETY

Staff have received cyber security training this week to ensure we are using technology as safely as possible within school and in our personal accounts. In line with this, the guide we are sharing this week relates to Cyber Security – there are some useful tips on how to protect yourself from cyber attacks. Please see the attachment with the newsletter.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Nursery – Miliana Doyle
Reception – Leighton Shaw
Year 1 – Evie-Rose Johnson
Year 2 – Thea Campbell
Year 3 – Mia Rowell
Year 4 – Sienna Fulljames
Year 5 – Charlie Braide
Year 6 – Alan Lasek



GROWTH MINDSET

Well done to our winners this week who have won certificates for 'RETRIEVING INFORMATION'.

Nursery – Lora Rihani
Reception – Evie-Faye Flynn
Year 1 – Samuel Thoppil
Year 2 – Lola Holland
Year 3 – Shayla Burke
Year 4 – Kade-James Thomas
Year 5 – Sienna Shaw
Year 6 – Alfie Kendall

For next week's theme we will be celebrating an 'I CAN DO IT' attitude.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

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

Reception – 94.7%

Year 1 – 88.1%

Year 2 – 96.6%

Year 3 – 97.9% (Winner)

Year 4 – 91.8%

Year 5 – 93.0%

Year 6 – 91.8%

Weekly Overall School Attendance is 93.5%



BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK – exploring faith

'But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.'

(Isaiah 40:31)

