



ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER

04.11.24

SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back after half-term, we hope you had a peaceful break. We hope your children are well rested and ready to learn. Over the next few weeks you will find out more about the school festivities and we are sure the children will have a wonderful time.

Please take some time to read this newsletter as we have added some additional information which we think you will find useful.

Important Dates

- **Monday 11th November - Friday 15th November** - Anti-Bullying Week 2024 will take place from with the theme: Choose Respect.
- **Tuesday 12th November** - Odd Socks Day - children are encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.
- **Wednesday 13th November** – Parents evening – more information will be shared after half term.
- **Saturday 30th November 10.00am – 1.00pm** – Christmas Fayre at Our Lady of St Anselms - Our school choir will be joining with OLSA's choir to open the Christmas fair with some festive carols.

Star Award

Nursery – Jazaih
Reception – Esme F
Year 1 – Hetty & Lainey
Year 2 – Joe-Lee & Baariz
Year 3 – Lucas
Year 4 – Logan & Kaylan
Year 5 – Blake & Sienna B
Year 6 – Noah H & Jack

It didn't go un-noticed

Georgia, Natalia, Bailey, Carly, Ralphie, Baariz, AJ, Freddie, Jacob J, Charlotte, Logan, Lily D, Blake, Jacob K, Maddison, Sophie, Joe-Lee, Jaxon, Sheldon, Sienna B, Mason C, Shayla, Natalia, Ryker, Chris F, Christopher R, Hattie, Koby, Marshall, Becky, Primrose & Ben

Bronze awards

Well done to these children, they are the first to receive their Bronze awards for 50 behaviour points. They have followed all 3 school rules consistently; be safe, be ready, be respectful.

Logan	Bailey-Rae
Primrose	Maria
Becky	Lilly-Rose
Amelia	Noah
Faye-louise	Lola
Charlotte	Aleeah

Attendance

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Where do we sit on the pathway to perfect attendance?



Well done to Year 2 for their punctuality!

Well done to year 5H for their 100% attendance!

Remember attendance as a school should be higher than 96% to ensure that children make the best progress.

Safeguarding

As a school, we offer a range of Pastoral support. Please see a non-exclusive list of the support we can offer. Should you require any support, please discuss with Mr Haworth, Mrs Love or Miss Cunningham.

Pupils

- Thrive wellbeing program delivered by 2 trained members of staff.
- Nurture opportunities throughout the day.
- 2 Nurture rooms in school.
- Social skills intervention with Family Support Worker
- Anger Gremlin intervention
- Marvelous Me intervention
- Home visits for reception pupils starting school
- Behavioral support
- Referrals for SEMH concerns

Parents

- DSLs signpost parents to other agencies
- Parental workshops
- Behavioral support at home
- Early Help Assessments
- Team around the Family meetings
- Liaising with housing and social care
- Assistance completing paperwork
- Career guidance and personal development for parents

PTA

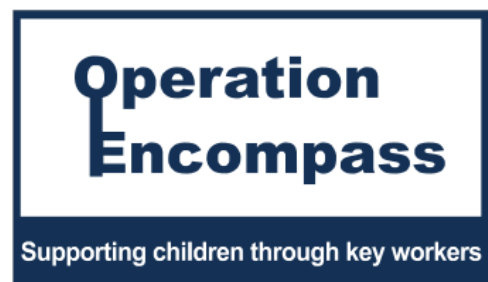
An exciting opportunity has become available. At St Mary's we want to develop an effective Parent Teacher Association (PTA). This will enable us to provide a more enhanced curriculum for the children by raising money. If you are interested in becoming a part of the PTA team, please contact; Mrs Love or Miss Cunningham.

Health

Please remember that children are not permitted to bring nut products into school as we have some children with allergies.

Tuck & Fruit

From next week, children in KS2 will no longer be provided with tuck to buy. This is due to children's money going missing and the expense to parents. We have been provided funding to purchase fruit for all children at St Marys. Therefore, all children in KS2 will receive a piece of fruit at breaktime. KS1 children will continue to receive free fruit as a government incentive. Toast is also provided as a morning snack to help keep children's energy levels up.



Operation Encompass

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter is to remind you that our school is participating in Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is a unique Police and Education early intervention safeguarding partnership which ensures that a child's school is informed, prior to the start of the next school day, that there has been a domestic abuse, vulnerable child or missing incident to which the child or young person has been exposed, and which might then have an impact on them in school the following day.

Each school is informed of all such incidents, not just those where an offence can be identified or those which are graded as high risk. The partnership recognises that all domestic abuse, vulnerable child and missing incidents can be harmful to children and young people.

This information will be shared throughout the year, including holidays and weekends. Information will only be shared with the school by the police where it is identified that a young person was present, witnessed or was involved.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police. At *St Mary's* our Key Adult is *Mr Haworth, Headteacher*. They will be able to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the school makes provision for possible difficulties experienced by children or their families. The Key Adults will keep this information confidential and will only share it on a need-to-know basis, for instance, to teaching staff for the child or young person. It will not be shared with other school students.

This national initiative has been implemented across the whole of the Lancashire Police area. If you would like some more information about it, you can view it online at www.operationencompass.org.

We are keen to offer the best support possible for our pupils and a recent review of Operation Encompass showed that it is beneficial and supportive for all those involved.

Yours sincerely,

Mr K Heakin
Chair of Governors

Mr J Haworth
Head Teacher

Pan Lancashire Operation Encompass

The purpose of Operation Encompass is to safeguard and support children and young people who have been involved in or witness to a domestic abuse, vulnerable child or missing incident.

Operation Encompass has been created to address such situations that create a safeguarding risk to young people. It is the implementation of key partnership working between the police and schools/ colleges. The aim of sharing information with local schools/ colleges is to allow 'Key Adults' the opportunity of engaging with the child and to provide access to support that allows them to remain in a safe but secure familiar environment.

Following the report of a domestic abuse, vulnerable child or missing incident, by

9.00am on the next school/ college day the school's Key Adult will be informed of the child or young person's involvement. This knowledge, given to educational establishments through Operation Encompass, allows the provision of immediate early intervention through silent or overt support dependent upon the needs and wishes of the child/ young person.

The purpose and procedures in Operation Encompass have been shared with all parents and governors, is detailed as part of the school's Safeguarding Policy and published on our school website.

