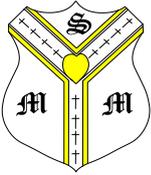


# Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 8th September 2017

## Welcome

Welcome to a brand new year at St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School. We would like to welcome all our new children and their families, especially our children starting their school career with us in nursery and reception. We welcome three new members of staff. Mr McManus is our new class 5 teacher. Mrs Lackey is our new business manager. We welcome Miss Booth, who is supporting Year 1. We welcome Father Ian, our new parish priest.

All the children have settled very quickly into their new classes with their teachers. It is wonderful to see how smart the children are and how enthusiastic they are to learn. Well done everyone!

Thank you to all the parents and family members who were able to attend the Year 1 and Year 2 induction meetings on Tuesday and Thursday evening.

### On Sale

*Families may purchase the following items from the school office;*

*Water bottles- £1.50*

*Water bottle tops- 25p*

*School ties- £2.50*

*School caps- £2.50*

### A Prayer for our School

This is our school.

Let peace dwell here.

Let the rooms be full of contentment.

Let love abide here.

Love of one another, love of mankind,

Love of life itself and love of God.

Let us remember that as many hands build a house, so many hearts make a school.

Amen.





## Dates for your Diary

### 26th September

Foundation Stage DUGS  
(Dads, Uncles and Grandads)

### 28th September

John Burland Concert  
International composer and performer

### 3rd October

Reception Parents Meeting  
about Reading

### 4th October

Stay and Read Pre-school

### 10th October

Key Stage 1 DUGS  
(Dads Uncles and Grandads)

### 11th October

Stay and Read Class 1

### 12th/ 19th October

Parents Evening

### 16th October

School Feast Day

### 18th October

Stay and Read Class 2

### 20th October

Half term holiday begins

Please see our website for further dates.  
[www.stmargaretmarysinfants.com](http://www.stmargaretmarysinfants.com)



## School Attendance Matters This week's attendance

Class 1	96.7	Class 7	96.7
Class 2	99	Class 8	98.7
Class 3	96.3	Class 9	100
Class 4	98	Class 10	98.9
Class 5	96.7	Class 11	95.6
Class 6	99.3	Class 12	100

**Our target for attendance is 95%.**

Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 9 & 12

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 6

Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 2

## READY FOR LEARNING

A good night sleep is extremely important for children to be at their best in school. It is recommended for children between the ages of 3 and 7 need between 11 and 13 hours of good quality sleep. Watching any kind of screen before bedtime means that the brain is not ready for recharging sleep for two hours. Children who are tired in school find it difficult to concentrate for long periods and so may find learning a challenge.

Stories at bedtime are a great way to relax and wind down after a busy day and help your children to be ready for sleep. Reading stories together are a great way to introduce your children to lots of new words, new places and new experiences without leaving their room. Books are an affordable gift. Many places including the book people and local supermarkets sell books at an affordable cost and of course it is free to borrow books from the library.

