

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School

Thursday 12th October 2017

Collective Worship

Theme: 'Tolerance' – The Bible reading is the parable of the Good Samaritan. We are all unique, with different beliefs and opinions. Together, this makes our community a rich and vibrant one full of diversity. Both our similarities and differences should be celebrated as they make us who we are!

School Holiday Authorisation

Parents are reminded to not book holidays before asking. All information and forms can be found in the Parent Information section of the school website. Leave will only be authorised for truly exceptional circumstances.

Year 6 All Hallows Taster Day

Just a reminder that it is a taster day for Year 6 tomorrow. Can all the children be brought to the Reception area of All Hallows for 8.30am and no later than 8.45am please? The children will need to be collected at 2.30pm from the same place. Thank you.

School Meals

We will be on week 3 of the menu next week.

Open Afternoon

Have you got a child due to start school in September 2018 or do you know someone who has? Our Open Afternoon is on Wednesday 25th October from 1-6pm.

Sacramental Meeting

The parents of the Year 4 children are invited to a meeting on the **24th October at 6.30pm in school**, where Father Michael will go through the Sacraments and how it will be organised over the coming year.

Growth Mindset

As I said in the newsletter last week, one of our school priorities this year is to further develop the mindset of our pupils so that they have a much more positive approach to trying new and challenging things. **On the 17th October at 7pm**, we will be hosting a workshop for parents in school called **'How to make your child happy and successful'**. Please come along to find out more.

Data Collection sheets

Can you please return your child's data sheet as soon as possible if you have not already done so? Thank you.

Barrel Storage Update

As you are no doubt aware, we are incredibly concerned about the barrels that are stored on the industrial unit behind the school. As a school we have actively been trying to address the issue for some time now, with regards to both the safety of the structure as well as the unsightliness of it. An Environmental Health Officer from **South Ribble** has recently been around to investigate and speak to the people involved. As HSE policy and guidance has changed, there is little that can be done until something happens that proves the structure to be unsafe. We have logged our concerns on several occasions and have done everything that we can. **They strongly urge neighbours and parents, in the first instance, to write a letter/email of complaint to Planning Enforcement regarding this 'adverse structure' stating that it is not in keeping with the surrounding community.** They also ask us all to be vigilant in noticing any changes within the structure that would suggest a deterioration of the condition of the pallets or movement within the barrels in high winds.

School Admissions – Sept 2018

The system is now live for making applications for both Primary and Secondary schools for a place in Sept 2018. You apply at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools. The deadline for applying for a secondary school place is 31st October 2017.

Pumpkin Party

The PTFA are hosting a **Pumpkin Party** on Thursday 26th October. For Reception and KS1 children, this is from 6.15pm – 7.15pm and KS2 pupils can be dropped off at 7.30pm and collected promptly at 8.30pm. Infants must be accompanied by an adult.

PTFA Toy Sale

On Friday 17th November we will be asking children to come to school dressed in non-uniform in exchange for a good quality, clean (and in working order) toy that is no longer used by your child or that is no longer age appropriate. These will be collected and sorted ready for the PTFA to sell on their toy stall as part of our **Magical Christmas Evening**. I am giving lots of notice as I thought that many of you would wish to use half term as an opportunity to have a good sort out of toys ready for Christmas. Thank you in advance.

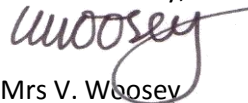
Applying for free school meals

If you receive any of the benefits below you will be entitled to apply to free school meals for your child at:

<http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals.aspx>.

1. Income Support
2. Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
3. Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
4. Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
5. The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
6. Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
7. Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
8. Universal Credit

Yours sincerely,



Mrs V. Woosey
Deputy Headteacher

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Esther Maduka

Coby Vas-Moulding

Alexander Caragioiu

Libby Bowerman-Melling

Isaac Whittle

Daisy Lee- Walker

Aleksandra Lesniewska



The Merit Winners



Well done everyone!





Well done to Merit Winners!



Year R: Luke Archibald for being such an eager learner especially with his amazing number work & Liesel Doherty for such brilliant writing of the cursive letters we are learning.

Year 1: Jack Turner for always being kind and helpful – a super role model and Olivia Dos Santos for always working hard and having a positive attitude to everything she does.



Year 2: Cordelia Bowerman-Melling for working hard to achieve her writing targets and Harry Weston for confident work with number lines.

Year 3: Lydia Carthy for a positive attitude to work and always trying her best and Jeffrey Asa for always working conscientiously.



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Year 4: Aedan Cox for super work during our literacy topic acting out the story and Grace Rafferty for super work during our explanation topic and persevering during swimming.

Year 5: Stanley Keller for his caring and compassionate attitude, during Castlerigg and Pippa Jolley having the ability to make everybody smile during our religious retreat.

Year 6: Daisy Hogarth for demonstrating how to complete homework in a timely and impressive manner and Joel Domokos for showing a growth mindset which has enabled him to produce great independent writing.



DIARY DATES

Friday 13 th October	All Day	Year 6 Taster Day at All Hallows
Tuesday 17 th October	7pm	Parent Workshop – Growth Mindsets
Wednesday 25 th October	1-6pm	Open Afternoon
Thursday 26 th October		PTFA Pumpkin Party
Friday 27 th October	3.15pm	Finish for half term
Monday 6 th November		Return to school
Monday 6 th November	5pm	Gov's – Pay & Appraisal Committee Meeting
Wednesday 15 th November	2.45pm	RE Celebration: Theme Belonging (Y2,4 & 6)
Thursday 16 th November	1-7pm	Parents Evening
Friday 17 th November		Dress down in exchange for a toy.
Thursday 23 rd November	2.15pm	Whole School Mass
Friday 24 th November		Dress down – Donations of Bottles for Bottle Bola
Wednesday 29 th November	2.45pm	Year 4 Class Assembly
Friday 1 st December		Dress down – Donations of Chocolate for Choc-o-Bola
Thursday 7 th December		Magical Christmas Evening
Tuesday 12 th December	9am	Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 13 th December	6pm	Nativity
Thursday 14 th December	6pm	Nativity
Wednesday 20 th December	6.30pm	Carol Service
Thursday 21 st December	6.30pm	Carol Service
Friday 22 nd December	2.30pm	Carols around the tree
Friday 22 nd December	3.15pm	School closes for Christmas
Monday 8 th January		School re-opens
Monday 22 nd January	AM	School Nurse – Vision, height & weight YR&6
Monday 22 nd January	5pm	Gov's SEC Committee Meeting
Wednesday 24 th January	2.45pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Friday 26 th January	All Day	Year 5 Taster Day – All Hallows
Wednesday 31 st January	2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
Monday 5 th February	5pm	Gov's – Resources Committee Meeting
Wednesday 7 th February	2.45pm	RE Celebration : Theme Community (Y1,3 & 5)
Friday 9 th February	3.15pm	School closes for half term
Monday 19 th February		School re-opens
Monday 26 th February	4.30pm	Admissions Committee Meeting
Monday 26 th February	5pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 28 th February	2.45pm	Year R Class Assembly
Wednesday 28 th February		Celebration of Friendship

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Wednesday 7 th March	2.45pm	Year 6 Class Assembly
Friday 9 th March	9-11am	Mother's Day Gifts
Wednesday 14 th March	2.45pm	RE Celebration Theme: Relating (Y2 & 4)
Thursday 15 th March	1-7pm	Parent's Evening
Wednesday 21 st March	2.45pm	Year 5 Class Assembly
Wednesday 28 th March	2.45pm	Year 4 Class Assembly
Thursday 29 th March	9am	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 29 th March	3.15pm	School Closes for Easter
Monday 16 th April		School re-opens
Monday 23 rd April	5pm	Resources Committee Meeting
Wednesday 25 th April	2.45pm	RE Celebration – Theme: Giving (Y1,3 & 5)
Tuesday 8 th May		Year 6 All Hallows Parent's Meeting
Wednesday 9 th May	2.45pm	Year 3 Class Assembly
Friday 11 th May	8am	Rise and Shine Jog
Monday 14 th May	5pm	Gov's SEC Committee Meeting
Monday 14 th – Thurs 17 th May		SAT's week
Wednesday 16 th May	2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wednesday 23 rd May	2.45pm	RE Celebration Theme: Serving (Y2 & 4)
Wednesday 23 rd May	3.15pm	Finish half term
Monday 4 th June – Wed 6 th June		Residential trip to Borwick Hall
Monday 4 th June		School re-opens
Thursday 7 th June	9.30am	Celebration Mass
Wednesday 13 th June	2.45pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Wednesday 20 th June	2.45pm	Year R Class Assembly
Monday 18 th June – Thurs 21 st June		Y6 Bikeability
Friday 22 nd June	All Day	School Games Day
Wednesday 27 th June	2.45pm	RE Celebration Theme: Inter-Relating
Friday 29 th June	All Day	Year 6 Taster Day – All Hallows
Monday 9 th July	5pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 11 th July	6.30pm	KS2 Production
Thursday 12 th July	6.30pm	KS2 Production
Wednesday 18 th July	2.15pm	Leavers Mass- whole school
Thursday 19 th July	2pm	Whole School Final Assembly
Friday 20 th July	9.15am	Leavers Assembly
Friday 20 th July	3.15pm	School closes for summer