

St. Mary's Primary and Pre-school Newsletter (1)

4th September 2024

SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

We come together as Saint Mary's family, to learn, share our faith and do our best, to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Welcome back to school after the summer holidays. We hope you all had a wonderful time and that the children are refreshed and ready to begin their new school year. We are very excited to welcome lots of new staff into school: Miss Bennett into Early Years, Miss Grice into years 4/5/6, Miss Webster and Miss Green as TA apprentices working across school and Mrs. Mullen as our new school cook. It's all very exciting and we hope they and all our new children settle into school very quickly. As usual, we will be having our Friday Celebration Assemblies on Friday in the school hall at 2.45pm but we will have a different format this time. Each week there will be Special Focus Child who will be asked (in advance) to prepare a short 5 minute presentation about something they are interested in. There will also be awards for attendance and class dojos. If you haven't joined the class dojo, please do so and we can then communicate with you via this class app.

PE KITS

Please can you ensure that your child has their PE kit in school every week. They will need blue shorts, a white t-shirt and trainers. During the colder weather, they may also bring in some tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie so that we can continue with lessons outside. If they don't have a PE kit in school, they may not be allowed to take part, depending upon what they are doing. PNE will continue to come into school every Monday afternoon to take lessons. This half term they will be teaching gymnastics. The children will also have a PE lesson on Friday afternoons of either mini skills or swimming. Please see the list below for swimming lessons over the year.

Autumn 1 - Year 1 (starting from next week)

Autumn 2 - Year 2

Spring 1 - Year 3

Spring 2 - Year 4

Summer 1 - Reception

Summer 2 - Years 5/6

LITTLE VOICES

Little Voices drama group will continue to come into school also on a Monday afternoon, where they will work with all our children from Reception up to Year 6. We hope to be able to showcase some of their work in an assembly soon.

ATTENDANCE

Please can you let the school office know ASAP if your child is poorly and is not going to be in school. Also, can we urge you to get your children to school for 8.45am, ready for registration as arriving late does cause disruption. Attendance in school is a hot topic at the moment as you will have seen on the news over the past few weeks, so please do try not to take them out for holidays in school time.

Whats Happening?

Dates for your diary.....

Reception Class photograph with Lancashire Evening Post - Thursday, 5th September

Mass in Church

(please do join us if you can as the children sing so beautifully and read so well) on Thursdays, 9.30am - 10am, 12th September, 3rd Oct.

Class assemblies in the hall on Fridays at 2.45pm

4th Oct Yrs 1/2/3,
11th Oct Yrs 4/5/6
18th Oct, Reception

MacMillan Coffee Morning in the school hall - Friday, 27th September 9.30am - 11am

Winmarleigh Outdoor Residential Outdoor Pursuits yrs 4/5/6 - October 7 - 9th

Book fair in School - Wednesday 9th until Tuesday 15th October (3.15pm - 4pm)

Crucial Crew Child Safety Event at Stonyhurst yrs 4/5/6 - October 11th

Break up for half term - Friday, 18th October. School re-opens Monday, 28th October

