



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

' We Pray, We Work, We Play '



Week Commencing 19th February 2018

Dear Parents,

It is a great pleasure to see all of our children back this morning and I hope you enjoyed a relaxing half-term with them!

On our final week of the last half-term, we were able to remember Ms. Nolan through a special Mass which took place at St. Mary's Church, a week before the anniversary of her untimely passing. Children had the opportunity to select and sing her favourite hymns, write and read out prayers and poems and every child placed a rose before a plaque that we have had specially made to be placed next to her Mosaic in school. I know it was difficult for people to attend due to work commitments but thank you to everyone who came for what was a fantastic turnout. This included several members of Ms. Nolan's family who had travelled from as far as Lancaster to join with the children in celebrating her life. Mary would have been extremely proud of our children, just as we at school are.

Since our last newsletter went out, the school football team took part in a tournament at Accrington Academy and but for a last minute goal being disallowed would have made it through to the finals! However their performances in the three matches were some of the best ones our school has produced in recent years and, more importantly, they conducted themselves superbly, brushing away the disappointment to wish the winning team good luck in the finals. Our Year 3 children also enjoyed an amazing morning at Accrington Stanley's stadium where they were given a free first team shirt. This was part of a pledge from the chairman of the football club that every Year 3 child in the Accrington and Hyndburn area should receive a football shirt from the club. It was a great experience and the children were extremely pleased with their gifts.

On the final Thursday of the half-term we also held a special Valentine's Disco. Massive thanks once again to our P.T.F.A. for arranging and running this event and thanks to all of the volunteers who came to help on the night – it was great fun and the children had a wonderful time!

I have been asked to share with you news of a very exciting potential after-school club called 'Kids Photography Club'. This includes 6 x 1 hour sessions and children are provided with special photography equipment to use during this time. They will also receive a USB snap-band digital portfolio at the end of the course so they can share the brilliant images they have taken with friends and family. The course is run by professional photographers and will cost £40.00 for 6 sessions. They require a minimum of 10 pupils to attend the course so if you would like more information and to register your interest, please see Miss Schofield in the office who will add your name to the list. We will then notify you if we have enough children for it to go ahead.

This week we have Tots Biking taking place for some of our children in Key Stage 1. On Friday 23rd February there will be a special Stations of the Cross Mass taking place at St. Hubert's Church at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend. On Saturday 24th February there will be a Sacramental programme service at St. Mary's church for our children in Class 3. The theme will be 'God's World' and this will be followed up with work in class that week so it is very important that those children attend. We look forward to seeing them there.

Also taking place this week will be a 'World Thinking Day' which is celebrated annually by the Scouting and Guiding movements. This is a day to reflect and think about other Scouts and Guides around the world and express our thanks and appreciation for the international movement. This date is chosen as it was the mutual birthday of Lord Baden Powell and his wife Olave. Lord Baden Powell was the founder of boy scouting and guiding back in the 1900's. If your child attends Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs or Scouts, they are welcome to wear this uniform to school this Thursday 22nd February for the full day. Maybe they would also like to explain to the rest of the class what being a member of these groups means to them and what goes on during the meetings they attend.

Just another reminder that on Thursday 1st March we will be celebrating World Book Day in school and after the success of last year's event, we encourage children to come dressed as their favourite book character. The date will soon come and I know that a number of major supermarkets are selling themed costumes so maybe keep an eye out for these...

Enjoy the week ahead and thank you for your constant support of school.

Mr M.S.Mashiter



Celebration news



STAR OF THE WEEK

C1 Kes & Roman

C2 Corban & Tamika

C3 Kadieleigh & Freddy

C4 Kydan & Serena

C5 Ruby & Eve

RAINBOW AWARD

C1 Jameel

C2 Seth

C3 Ruby

C4 Adrian

C5 Milly

Pat Quirk Award for Literacy

Ella for always going into greater depth when working

Mr Gallagher Award for Maths

Harrison for always going the extra mile in maths.

Dairy Dates:

Monday 19th February

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Friday 23rd February

Saturday 24th February

Tuesday 27th February

Thursday 1st March

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♦ Please note that celebration assembly can change due to different circumstances, in the event of which you will be notified.

School re-opens

PTFA meeting - Any new members welcome

Celebration assembly 2.45 PM

Sacramental programme 5 PM

Reception Class heights and weights with school nurse.

Life Education Bus in School

World Book Day

Friday Fund WIN

£6 every Friday

£1 per child or

£1.50 per family.

Winner 09/3/18

Charlie C

♦ If anyone has any old wellies or waterproofs they would like to donate to the schools forest school it would be much appreciated.



★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** ★

Birthdays 18th - 25th February 2018

Grace, Colton & Milo



ATTENDANCE TED

(week ending 9th February)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE WAS

96.7%



Tots for Bikes—Reception Children are learning to use balance bikes this week helping them to learn how to ride by building their confidence using their own feet to help them move around on the bikes

