



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*' We Pray, We Work, We Play '*



**Week Commencing 21st May 2018**

Dear Parents,

## **Last Week in School**

Last week was a very important time for our Year 6 and Year 2 children as they took part in the annual SATS tests. There was much relief for Year 6 on Thursday when they had completed their final test and they were able to enjoy the rest of the week, including a party and a visit on Friday evening to Oswaldtwistle Theatre where Erin performed in the stage production of Moulin. A really enjoyable night! Our Year 2 children are continuing with their tests this year. I am so grateful to my staff who have pulled out all the stops in the run up to these tests and given up lots of their own time to support and push the children on to achieve as highly as they could. We are also mightily proud of the attitudes of all of our Year 2 and Year 6 children who have given their all over the last months in the run up to the tests and during the week itself. They can look back on the test in future and proudly remember that they gave it their all.

On Monday evening, Mrs Southworth held a meeting for parents of EYFS children on how Maths is taught in this Key Stage and how parents can help at home with children's development. On Tuesday our Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoyed a day at Accrington Academy for the 'Animal Olympics' event. They had an absolutely wonderful time in the sunshine and thoroughly enjoyed the activities on offer, giving their all in each one. Please see the photos on Facebook which capture their experience brilliantly! We also had a 'Royal Themed Lunch' in honour of the weekend's Royal Wedding. Thank you to Emma and all of the staff from the school kitchen for once again going above and beyond to create a memorable experience for the children with lots of bunting and decorations!

## **This coming week in School**

As mentioned, the Year 2 children have 2 more important tests to complete this week so good luck to you all! On Tuesday and Wednesday, the Year 6 children will take part in 'Bikeability'; a programme designed to get children confident enough to deal with a variety of situations they may encounter on the streets when riding their bikes. On Thursday, there will be a non-uniform day and the theme will be to 'bring a bottle' for the Summer Fayre. Please could parents ensure that any bottles containing alcohol are **not** brought into school by children but are handed in to the school office by parents themselves. Thank you in advance for your generosity – money raised will go directly to funding trips such as the Summer ones and the Christmas pantomime which has already been booked!!!

## **Parent/Governor Election**

Last Monday saw the final day for nomination forms to be handed in for a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Parent Governor, who are elected by the parents of pupils at St. Mary's to serve a 4 year term of office. Last Friday, each parent should have received a pack containing an explanation of the process, a biography of the two candidates, a voting slip and an envelope to return votes in. The ballot box can be located next to the entrance in school and across from the school office. The closing date for votes is 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Votes will then be counted that afternoon and the result will be announced soon afterwards.

## **Changes to Data Protection**

The national regulations for data protection are changing as of this Friday (25th). The new rules, known as GDPR, express that as a data collector we must state exactly how we use the personal data you share with us. Obviously, it is vital that we have your details in order to communicate with you about your child. Once a child leaves our school the relevant information is passed to the next school and copies are only retained if there is a legal reason to do so. Your data is stored securely and processed Confidentially and we will continue to regularly ask you to ensure we have your most up to date details.

We now require explicit consent from you to hold and store your data so a form will be coming home this week. Please can you complete and return this signed form to school as soon as possible. You will notice that in the future our consent forms will have some extra information on the bottom in regard to how the details you share with us will be used. It goes without saying that all the information we hold is in the interest of effective and safe communication about your child.

I hope you have a lovely week!

Mr M.S.Mashiter

# Celebration News

## STAR OF THE WEEK

C1 Cameron & Kes  
C2 Harry & Chloe  
C3 Mia & Grace  
C4 Orlagh & Charlie A  
C5 All Year 5

## RAINBOW AWARD

C1 Enid  
C2 Maxwell  
C3 Jake  
C4 Arley  
C5 Billy

## Pat Quirk Award for Literacy

Adrian for fantastic improvement in comprehension.

## Mr Gallagher Award for Maths

Serena for always trying & challenging herself.

## Diary Dates:

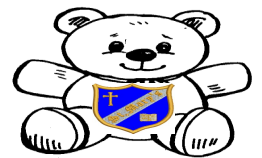
Tues 22nd May	Bikeability Year 6
Wed 23rd May	Bikeability Year 6
Thurs 24th May	Non-Uniform Day for bottles
Fri 25th May	Celebration assembly 2.45 P.M.
Fri 25th May	School Closes
Mon 11th June	School Re-opens
Sunday 16th June	Holy Communion 10 A.M.
Wed 20th June	KS2 Outdoor Elements school trip
Tues 26th June	Chaplaincy team celebration event, details to follow
Wed 27th June	PTFA Summer Fayre
Thurs 28th June	Sports Day @ Wilsons
Tues 3rd July	New Starter taster morning
Wed 11th July	KS1 Brockholes trip
16th July 2 pm & 17th July 6.30	KS2 SCHOOL PROCUCTION

## ATTENDANCE TED

(week ending 18th May 18)

## OVERALL ATTENDANCE WAS

94.7%



## Friday Fund Winner : Sophie B

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



Birthdays 21st May - 27th May

Phoebe, Archie, Lennon, Logan, Zeshan & Alan.

**24TH MAY - NON UNIFORM DAY IN EXCHANGE FOR A BOTTLE.**

## Year 1 and Year 2's brilliant day at the Animal Olympics!

