



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

' We Pray, We Work, We Play '



Week Commencing 2nd July 2018

Dear Parents,

Worship & our Multi-faith's week

In this week's Worship we met the evangelist Mark. In an 'interview' with the children he explained to us some of Jesus' descriptions of the Kingdom of God. We explored the importance of providing a warm welcome in working towards God's Kingdom on Earth and, in this Refugee Week 2018, we try to put ourselves in the shoes of those who most need welcome, love and compassion. Children also took part in a multi-faith's week and took great pride in explaining to the rest of the school what they had been learning about in Friday's celebration assembly. Thank you to Miss O'Brien for organising this very successful week.

Last week in school

Last week we welcomed Miss Turner to St. Mary's who was on a work experience from St. Augustine's RC High School. She worked in each class throughout the week and really enjoyed her time here. Our netball team took part in the High-5 tournament at Accrington Academy and our Year 3/4 football team played in a match against St. Charles'. Well done everybody for representing our school so well. On Tuesday three of our children attended the Chaplain's Day with Miss O'Brien in Preston and reported back to the school on their very enjoyable day. Wednesday was our Summer Fayre and the weather was glorious! Children made their own craft items to sell in class, a certain teacher received a thorough soaking at the hands of the children and there were lots of games and activities for the children to take part in. The raffle included some amazing prizes too. We will contact you about any that remain unclaimed. On the same day, Year 5 enjoyed a visit to Mount Carmel to get a taste of life at secondary school. Please remember that on the 10th of July, Mount Carmel will host an evening event where certificates for the children who took part in the recent STEM project will be handed out. A letter went out about this a fortnight ago but if you need another one, please call into the school office. On Thursday we held our annual Sport's Day event at Wilson's Playing Fields. Well done to all of the children who took part and thank you to all of our parents who turned up to the event to cheer their children on.

This coming week in School

This week, our R.E. and Worship Governor John McManus will meet the pupil chaplains to find out about their role and the recent journey that Miss O'Brien has taken them on in developing this role in school. On Tuesday we will hold a transition morning where our new to Reception children will get their first taste of life at St. Mary's! This will include a special lunch at 11:30a.m. The junior children will continue to practice for the Summer play and our dance teacher, Lauren, will continue to provide lessons this week. On Wednesday, Andy Tooze will be in school to host an assembly and workshops in classes. With over 20 years of experience in promoting a love of poetry in primary schools we are hoping he has a really positive effect on encouraging our love of reading in school. This Friday Celebration Assembly will be at 2:45 p.m.

50/50 Draw

Well done to Seth in Year 1 whose name was pulled out of a box by two of our children on Friday morning. Thank you to everybody who bought tickets for the 50/50 draw and for money spent on the raffle and events at the Summer Fayre. You are so generous on these occasions and please be assured that profit from these events will go straight towards opportunities for your children, such as the poet coming in next week. Thank you also to the P.T.F.A. for organising this event along with sport's day & everything you do for the school!

New classes for September and some goodbyes...

We are delighted that Miss Kennedy has returned from maternity leave to re-join us at school. She will be supporting learning across school before returning to full class teaching in September in Class One. Unfortunately we will have to say goodbye to Mr O'Shea who has been covering the maternity leave period for the last year. He will finish at St. Mary's at the end of this academic year. I would like to thank him on behalf of the Parents, Governors, Staff and Children for his hard work and commitment to school. Unfortunately, Mr Simpson has resigned from the school and his employment at St. Mary's will officially end at the end of this term. I am sure you will join me in wishing him a quick return to full health and good luck in the future and I would like to thank him on behalf of everybody here for his commitment and dedication to St. Mary's, a place I know he holds dear in his heart.

Thank you for your continued support of school.

Mr M.S.Mashiter

Celebration News

STAR OF THE WEEK

- C1 Kayleah & Evie-Mae
- C2 Ahmed & Paige
- C3 Grace & Marcel
- C4 Charlie & Aijab
- C5 Milly & Elizabeth

RAINBOW AWARD

- C1 Jaiden
- C2 Marley-Jae
- C3 Cristiana
- C4 Evie
- C5 Ryan

Pat Quirk Award for Literacy

Oliver for outstanding achievement in reading & writing.

Mr Gallagher Award for Maths

Minaahill for consistently outstanding effort in maths.

Diary Dates:

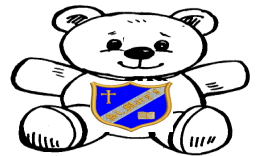
- Tues 3rd July New Starter taster morning
- Wed 4th July Poet in School—Andy Tooze
- Fri 6th July Celebration Assembly 2.45 P.M.
- Wed 11th July KS1 Brockholes trip
- Thurs 12th July Y5/6 Quad kids
- Fri 13th July Celebration Assembly 9 A.M.
- 16th July 6.30 pm & 17th July 2 pm KS2 SCHOOL PROCUCTION
- Wed 18th July Leavers Mass & Assembly
- Thursday 19th July SCHOOL CLOSSES 1.30 P.M.**

ATTENDANCE TED

(week ending 29th June 18)

OVERALL ATTENDANCE WAS

96.8%



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthdays 2nd July - 8th July 2018

Ellie-May, Roman, Victor & Grace



Thank you to everybody who attended our annual Sports Day at Wilson's Playing Fields. All of the children gave it their very best efforts! Well done to everybody who took part!

SCHOOL CLOSSES THURSDAY 19TH JULY 2018 1.30 P.M.