



# Saint Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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## FRIDAY LETTER

8th March 2019

### World Book Day...

### Fundraising...

### Parents' Evening...

#### Mass Times:

St Mary Crowned-Sunday 9.15am

All Saints- Saturday 6pm

Sunday 11.15am

**Catholic Social Teaching Theme  
this half term:**

*Solidarity*



Saint Ralph Sherwin  
Catholic Multi Academy Trust

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a wonderful day the whole school had on World Book Day, the children wholeheartedly embraced our themes of 'Cats', 'Traditional Tales' and 'Fantasy Stories.' The children really enjoyed meeting Sue Wilkins, the Derbyshire children's author, with the pupils in Key Stage 1 and Year 3 taking part in a story time session and pupils in Year 4-6 asking questions about life as an author. Bay Tree Books also came into school to lead a World Book Day assembly. The day ended with pupils from different classes sharing and reading books with each other. Your child will have been sent home with a £1 book voucher, this can be used to buy a special 'World Book Day' book or put towards another book. Thank you to Miss Etchells for preparing the day.

#### Girls' Football Team

On Friday, our girls' football team will take part in their first league matches. We all wish them the best of luck, and look forward to hearing all about it on Monday. Thank you to Mr Adamson for training the girls during lunchtimes.

#### Ash Wednesday

We welcomed Father Martin Sylvester to our school for the first time on Wednesday to celebrate a Liturgy of the Word for Ash Wednesday. Thank you to Mrs Hall for preparing the Liturgy and for the Chaplaincy team and Altar servers who read and served Father so well during the service. Lots of the parishioners commented on the wonderful behaviour and responses from the children.

#### New Mass time

From this Sunday (10th March) Mass at St Mary Crowned will be at the new time of 9.15 am. The All Saints' Sunday Mass will be at 11.15 am.

#### Parents' Evening

The Parents' Evenings will take place in the school hall on Monday 11th March 3.30pm-5.30pm and Tuesday 12th March 4pm-6pm. This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress and look at their books. Look out for the returned slips with your allocated time, if you have not yet returned your slip, then please contact school on Monday.

#### After School Dance / Gymnastics / OTIS

After Miss Owens' dance/gymnastics sessions on Mondays and Fridays, please can parents start to collect children from outside the classrooms and not enter school through the main reception. Children need to be collected from the Key Stage 1 sessions from outside the Year 2 classroom door. Key Stage 2 pupils need to be collected from the main Key Stage door. After OTIS sports clubs, children should be collected from the external hall door. Thank you.

Crowned as our Star Pupils this week	
Reception	Alfie
Year 1	George
Year 2	K
Year 3	Matthew
Year 4	Annabella
Year 5	Jamie
Year 6	Harry

#### Teacher's Choice

#### Headteacher's Award-

Lilly

### Open Day

On Monday 1st April the school will be holding an Open Day. This will give parents and carers the opportunity to see their children in their classroom environment and it will also give you an insight into the school day. The day will start with an assembly at 9.05 am and finish at 11.30 am. All are welcome.

### CAFOD Lenten Appeal

On Monday, the charity CAFOD will be coming into school to launch their Lenten Appeal. We will learn all about taking the Give it up Challenge this Lent to raise money for those in need overseas. CAFOD is an international development charity and the official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. The charity reaches out to people living in poverty with practical help, whatever their religion or culture. Through their global Church network, one of the largest in the world, CAFOD have the potential to reach everyone and they campaign for global justice, so that every woman, man and child can live a full and dignified life.

### Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice Charity

As you are aware, we became part of the St Ralph Sherwin Catholic Multi Academy Trust in September 2018. The SRSCMAT have selected the Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice charity, as our trust charity. The Bluebell Wood Children's hospice helps to care for children and young adults whose lives are sadly just too short, both in their own homes and at the hospice in North Anston. Bluebell Wood is a home from home for families facing the toughest of times.

Every day, Bluebell Wood needs to raise £11,000 to keep their doors open, and only around 10% of their funding is from the government. Everything else is paid for by donations from the general public.

A charity box will be placed in the main entrance area of the school and we will hold fundraising events throughout the year for this special charity. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### Cookery Club Party

Cookery club are holding an end of club party on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March for all those who have attended Cookery club this academic year. Letters have been sent out to the children today. Please sign and return the permission slip if you would like your child to attend. Thank you

God bless,

Mrs S. Rudd

### Class Attendance for 25<sup>th</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> March TARGET 97%

R	98.4%
Y1	94%
Y2	100%
Y3	98.4%
Y4	97.4%
Y5	97.4%
Y6	100%

Winners: Year 2 and 6 with  
100% Excellent!

### Lent Term Diary

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March  
CAFOD Assembly  
(Lenten Charity appeal launch)  
Parents Evening- 3.30pm-5.30pm  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March  
Parents Evening- 4pm- 6pm  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
St Philip Howard Taster session  
(Year 5)  
Sacrament of Reconciliation 6pm  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
Year 1 Assembly- 9am- Parents and  
family members are welcome to  
stay for tea and coffee afterwards  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Yr 2 trip to Staircase Hse Museum  
PFA Spring Fair- after school  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March  
Year 5 Roman Visit in school  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April  
Open Morning - All welcome  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
Chaplaincy Team- Stations of the  
cross (am)- All welcome  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April  
Yr 4 Stockport Air Raid shelters trip  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April  
Year 3/4 Easter Story (Palm Sunday  
and The Last Supper) (All welcome)  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April  
Year 5/6 Easter Story (The Trial and  
Crucifixion)- 2.45pm (All welcome)  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
Finish for Easter holidays- 3.15 pm