



Saint Mary's Catholic Primary School

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FRIDAY LETTER

11th November 2017



School Meals Week...

Pleasing result for our Football Team...

E-Safety Training...

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week the staff have been looking at online safety for children as part of their professional training. We have increased our knowledge of the social media apps that primary age children nationally are accessing. We are compiling information together to share this with you so that you can keep your children safe online. A number of apps have an age restriction on them – Facebook, Snapchat and Instagram are all for 13 years and above; Musical-ly and Live-ly apps are popular with children currently. These are live streaming apps that can be accessed by anyone. Your child may talk to you about some of these apps as we teach online safety in class. If you are worried about online safety please do not hesitate to contact me.

Anti-bullying Week

Next week is anti-bullying week. The children will be exploring the topic of bullying under the theme "All Different, All Equal". This will then lead to a whole school review of the school's policy and procedures.

Boys Football Team.

Well done to our boys team who took part in the recent inter-school football tournament. They came third overall out of nine schools. Great job! Impeccable manners and sportsmanship too!

Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday our school will lay a wreath at the cenotaph in Norfolk Square. The Service will start at 11 am preceded by a march to the square by military and the Scout and Guide Movement. I know many of our children will be there to represent their respective organisations two of which will be chosen to lay our wreath.

National School Dinners Week. 13th -17th November

This promotion starts with the Head teacher's Choice – I shall be donning a tabard and serving on Monday. I hope the children enjoy my choice of menu!

Messages from the Office:

Brown envelopes have been sent home today. Inside is an updated Home/School Agreement along with a Pupil Update Form. Both need to be signed and returned to the Office in the envelope. Please note that one set is required for each child.

St Mary Crowned Church Fair and Raffle

Please ensure any sold ticket stubs and spares are returned to school before the 17th November.

Christmas Stall.

The Stall is up and running. Children can buy at morning break or after school.

PFA Christmas Fair Friday 8th December 3.15pm in the School Hall.

The PFA are looking for additional help to run the Christmas Fair as it is always very busy. If you can spare some time please let the Office know and we will pass this onto the PFA.

★ Crowned as our Star Pupils this week ★		
Reception	★	George
Year 1	★	Noah
Year 2	★	Sam
Year 3	★	Joseph
Year 4	★	Jamie
Year 5	★	Sam
Year 6	★	Jack
Head teacher's Award	★	Charlie W
<i>Teacher's Choice Award</i>		
Phonics Workshop for KS1 Parents Tuesday 14 th November 2pm in the School Hall		
Birthdays Noah 6 Magenta 9 Matthew 7		

Applications for Sept 2018 Reception intake.

If your child was born between 1.9.13 and 31.8.14 you will need to apply for a place via www.derbyshire.gov.uk website. Applications need to be done from now until 15th January 2018. We have been oversubscribed for the last few years and late applications are only considered once all the on time ones have been allocated. Don't miss out!

School Photograph orders need to be back in school as soon as possible. Thank you.

Enjoy the weekend – cold but sunny is the forecast! Winter draws on!

Mr S D Groarke
Headteacher



Diocese of Nottingham



Autumn Term Diary

Monday 13th November

Mr Groarke's School Dinner

Wednesday 15th November

Baking Competition

Thursday 7th December

Aladdin Panto trip KS1 and 2

Tuesday 12th December

Toddler Group Party

Christmas Concert KS1. 1.45pm and 6.30pm

Wednesday 13th December

Christmas Concert KS2 6.30pm

Thursday 14th December

Christmas Concert KS2 1.45pm

Friday 15th December

Non-uniform Day St Lazarus' House (red)

Monday 18th December

School Dinner – Party time!

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Parties

Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Dinner

Carols in the School Hall 2.30pm

End of Term – school closes

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Wednesday 3rd January 2018

INSET day

Thursday 4th January 2018

School opens for the new term.

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