



The Federation of St Mary's Catholic Schools

"As the Family of Jesus, we learn and love together"

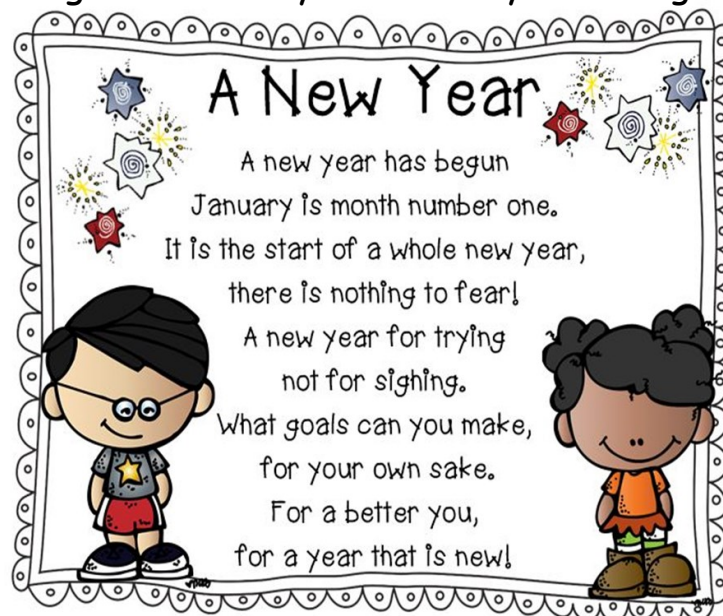


Executive Headteacher: Mrs R Dean, B.Ed (Hons), Dip HE, NPQH

12th January 2018

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term. Sincere thanks from the staff for all your kind wishes and thoughtful Christmas gifts. The children have made an excellent start to the term and settled back into school routines quickly. Let us pray that it will be a year of peace, happiness and friendship. On behalf of staff and governors may God bless you throughout the year.



A community of the baptized

In this week's gospel, from Mark 1:4-11, we see John the Baptist calling people to repent. He also baptises these people in the River Jordan.

Prayer

Holy Spirit,
guide us in our lives
so that we can bring light to others.
Prompt us to love and radiate warmth.
Let our old ways of acting fall away
to reveal a bright future.

Amen



Junior Library Raffle

We would like to thank Mrs Taylor for donating 3 excellent "Book Hampers" for a raffle. The Diary of a Wimpy Kid and Zoella hampers were packed full with books and stationery items!

The Winners:

Lois Parr Y5H

Georgia Murray Y5H

Conner McManus Y6H

£180 was raised through the raffle and will go to school funds.

Thank you to everyone who took part.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

RECEPTION 2018

The application deadline for school admissions in September is nearing. Please ensure all applications are submitted by 15th January.

Parents of our current Nursery Children who want a place must apply. Places are not automatically allocated. Please ensure that any supporting documentation ie baptism certificate is submitted. with a recent proof of address. We will be happy to check records at the Office if you think you have already given Baptismal documents in.

Many thanks

Are you interested in becoming a teaching assistant?

Come along to an Information Session for

Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools

Wednesday 24th January 2018

at
Park Road Centre
Park Road
(near Fingerpost)
St Helens
WA9 1HE



Tel: 01744 677328

E-mail: teresaslee@sthelens.gov.uk

*Please contact the Centre for more information

If you have them, please bring any maths and/or English certificates along

LOST LUNCH BOX

A brand new lunch box has been lost on the Junior Site this week. Please could we ask parents to check at home for a cupcake shaped lunchbox. Many thanks.

Mass Times



Please note the times of Sunday Masses at the Catholic Parish Churches

St Mary's - Sunday 9am & 4.30pm

St Patrick's - Sunday 10am

St David's - Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 11am



Friday Raffle at the Infant Site

We have a raffle every Friday at the Infants, 50p a go, for Reception, Year 1 & 2 children. All monies go to School Fund. Many thanks.



Attendance

NL	91%	NK	100%
RB	90.4%	RM	91.2%
Y1G	90.4%	Y1N	95.4%
Y2D	93.9%	Y2T	92.7%
Y3O	93.8%	Y3M	92.9%
Y4H	97.5%	Y4M	96.7%
Y5H	94.2%	Y5R	90.4%
Y6H	96%	Y6W	94.2%



**Best class attendance
w/e 22 December
Y1N & Y4H
Congratulations and well done!**

PARENTS EVENING SPRING TERM

Parents evening will take place on

Tuesday 27th February &

Tuesday 6th March

Appointments will be available from 3.30pm until 6.30pm on both occasions. We will be using the live online booking system again, a letter will be sent home in the coming weeks with all the details.

Please ensure you tell the office if you have changed any of your contact details (email / mobile phone). The appointment system relies on email / text.

LETTERS HOME THIS WEEK

If you have missed these letters copies are published on the school website. Alternatively call into the offices for a further copy.

Whole school—Letter from the Head
Y1 & Y2—Dance/drama , Gymnastics and Multi-sports after school clubs.

Y5-Y6—Cross Country After School Club

Y5-Y6—Cross Stich Club

Our Superstars

Week ending 12 January 2018

Well done everyone

RB	Matthew Quigley	RM	Lola B Leyland
Y1G	Charlie Williams	Y1N	Elliott Taylor
Y2D	Finlay Neely	Y2T	Lily Twist
Y3O	Paige Bailey-Haselton	Y3M	Nathaniel Blackburn
Y4H	Daniella Nainyte	Y4M	Grace Parker
Y5H	Rylea Holden	Y5R	Isabella Parr
Y6H	Georgina Howard	Y6W	Grace Spelman

POLITE REMINDER—APPOINTMENTS

If your child has an appointment during school time please be reminded that we need a copy of the appointment letter , card or text message. Thank you.

RSE WEEK

Its RSE week commencing 15 January. The topic the children will cover is "Intellectual".

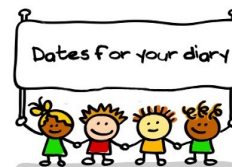
PTFA AGM MEETING

Mrs Joanne LaPersonne is currently acting Chair for the PTFA. An AGM meeting has been called to form a new PTFA committee.

The meeting will take place on 18th January at 7pm in the Junior Hall.

All parents are automatically members of the PTFA and are welcome to attend. Attendance is encouraged to allow the excellent work the PTFA have done to be recognised. If you are interested in becoming a part of the committee please contact Mrs LaPersonne via the school office. Voting will take place on the night, nominations can be sent into the office. Thank you.

**Dates may be subject to change -
we will give parents as much notice as possible.**



Nursery & Infant Diary Dates

Thursday 18th January	Y2 Parents Workshop 5pm
Thursday 18th January	PTFA AGM Meeting @ Juniors Hall. 7pm Start. All welcome
Thursday 25th January	Y1 Parents Workshop 5pm
Friday 26th January	Y2D Class Collective Worship. 9.05am. Parents Welcome
Thursday 1st February	Reception Parents Workshop 5pm
Thursday 8th February	Nursery Parents Workshop 5pm
Tuesday 27th February	Parents Evening (1) 3.30pm to 6.30pm
Tuesday 6th March	Parents Evening (2) 3.30pm to 6.30pm

Junior Diary Dates

Tuesday 16th January	Y3M Swimming (every Tuesday up to 6th February)
Thursday 18th January	PTFA AGM Meeting @ Juniors Hall. 7pm Start. All welcome.
Monday 22nd January	Y3M Class Collective Worship. 9.15am. Parents Welcome
Monday 22nd January	Y3 Parents Workshop 5pm
Monday 29th January	Y6 Parents Workshop 5pm
Monday 5th February	Y4 Parents Workshop 5pm
Wednesday 7th February	Y5 Parents Workshop 5pm
Tuesday 20th February	Y3O Swimming (every Tuesday up to 27th March)
Monday 26th February	Y4M Class Collective Worship. 9.15am. Parents Welcome
Tuesday 27th February	Parents Evening (1) 3.30pm to 6.30pm
Tuesday 6th March	Parents Evening (2) 3.30pm to 6.30pm
Monday 12th March	Tempest Group Class Photos