



The Federation of St Mary's Catholic Schools

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"

Philippians 4: 13

Respect

Compassion

Resilience

This week at the Infant School:

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again, I feel incredibly proud of our children this week. On Wednesday, Mrs Kellett, our new interim head teacher, was introduced to every class and they gave her a warm welcome. They spoke about all the things that make St Mary's wonderful; they ranged from having fun lessons and learning lots to being friends with everyone and looking after each other. Our children always make my heart melt!

SEND coffee afternoon

Thank you to all who attended this event. It was great to receive your feedback on our SEND provision and lovely to celebrate our children's successes and discuss more ways to provide even more opportunities for all our children. We will hold the next coffee afternoon at the Junior school in summer term. Details to follow nearer the time.

After School Clubs

This half term our after school club offer is proving to be very successful with over 78% of our children attending choir, dance, games, cheerleading and fun time Friday clubs! Most importantly, they are loving them and the staff are too!

Uniform

This week I've noticed that many of our children are wearing earrings. These are not allowed in school due to health and safety reasons. Please take them out before coming to school.

I want to remind everyone that PE kits are blue tracksuit bottoms, leggings, or blue shorts, a blue tracksuit top or school jumper/cardigan a white top that is either plain or has our school logo and pumps or trainers.

We have lots of lost property but all the items are unnamed. Please check your child's/ children's uniform this weekend to double check that all clothing have a name in it. If it's preloved uniform please write your child's name on the label so it stops any confusion! Many thanks with your support.

Have a lovely weekend everyone and we will see you on Monday.



PTFA meeting at The Pied Bull, Thursday 16th March.



We are holding a coffee meeting on Friday 24th March at 2pm in the hall to raise awareness of the PTFA, who we are, what

Kathryn Harrison	Chair
Olivia Lewis	Treasurer
Vicky Gregory	Secretary
Debbie Carroll	Ordinary Committee
Gill Maguire	Members

AWARD WINNERS

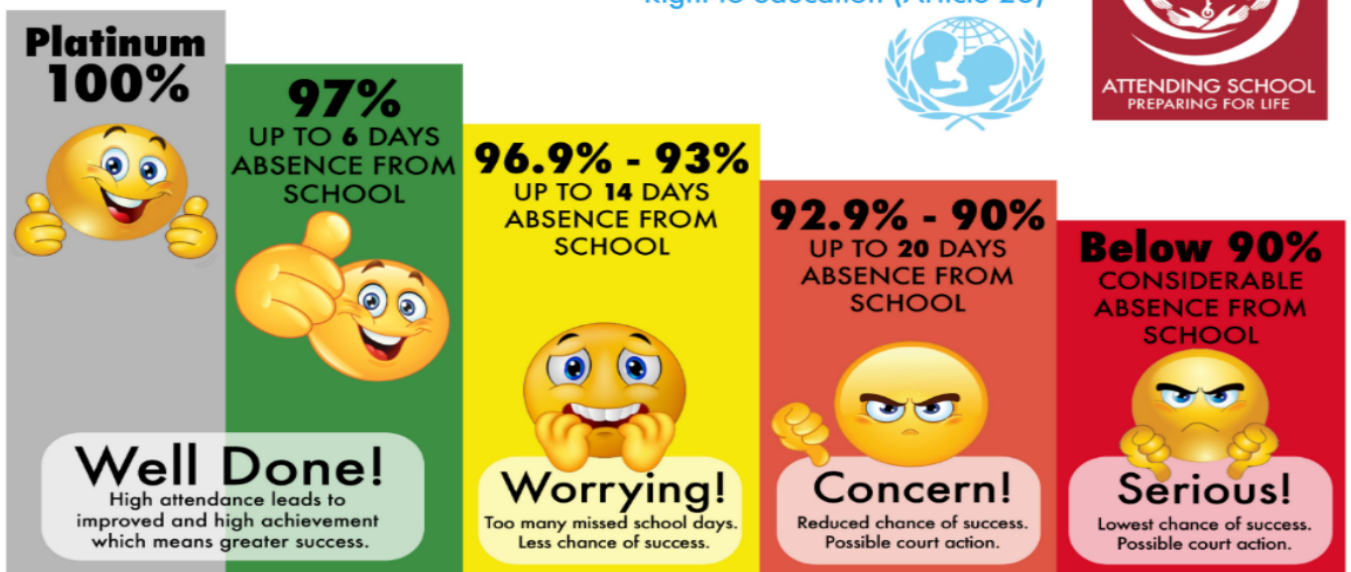
	<u>Star of the Week</u>	<u>Kindness Award</u>
		
N	Oliver	Tom
RB	John	Willow
RM	Evelyn	Odin
Y1G	Saya	Lilyann
Y1O	Xander	Ruby
Y2M	William	Zac
Y2B	Connor	Kennedy

Enzo



WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?

Right to education (Article 28)



There are 175 non school days a year. That's plenty of time to go on visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.

Dates for your diary –Spring 2 – St Mary’s Catholic Infant School

Friday 17th March	EYFS Mother’s Day Stay and Play in the school hall. Mums, Nan- as, Grandmas and Aunties welcome Reception at 9.10am Nursery at 2.15pm
Tuesday 21st March	EYFS Maths Workshop 5pm
Wednesday 22nd March	Paul Delaney (poet) visiting school. KS1 workshops Poetry Buzz
Friday 24th March	PTFA Coffee Afternoon. All families welcome
Wednesday 29th March	KS1 Multi skills competition am
Friday 31st March	Easter Egg hunt and raffle (eggs donated by PTFA) Easter bonnet competition School closes for the Easter holiday School reopens on Monday 17 th April

BUSINESS FOR YOUTH EASTER EGG APPEAL

Cost of living, inflation, energy, we have so much to worry about.

LET’S SPREAD A LITTLE CHEER!!

We would like to give an Easter Egg, to each Primary school child in N Le W.

The eggs will be delivered by our own Easter bunnies, who created so much fun and enjoyment last year.

We hope to collect enough, with your generosity to give one to all teachers and staff also, they are so very deserving for all the hard work they do to provide our children’s educational needs.

Donations will be gratefully accepted from businesses to townfolk at BFY HQ, every Saturday morning in March, every egg counts to try and get over 3000 eggs

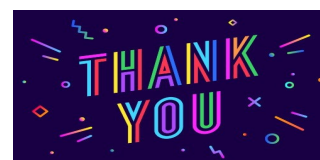
NISA LOCAL(COOP), PARK RD SOUTH.

CROWNWAY COMMUNITY CENTRE or 12 Queens Drive, throughout the week. |

TESCO Earlestown will also have a trolley out in store.

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

PE Days	
N	Monday
R	Wednesday
Y1	Thursday
Y2	Tuesday



The school would like to express our sincere thanks to the Variety Christmas Savings Club of Newton-Le-Willows for the gift vouchers they have kindly donated to us for our families. This is very much appreciated and will be well received by the families and children.

Sharing the Gospel

A step into the unknown

In this week's gospel, John 3:1-17, we hear about how Nicodemus, a Pharisee, goes to see Jesus, acknowledging him as a man of God. Jesus says that to see the kingdom of God you must be 'born from above'. Nicodemus doesn't understand, although Jesus says that, being a teacher, he should. Jesus also says that those who believe in God's only Son will have eternal life.



Lord God,
our walk with you is not counted in miles,
but by our faithfulness to you.
Give us ears to hear you call,
and feet to follow as you lead us into new things.

Amen.



Song of the week: Praise Ye The Lord Hallelujah

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WuODF9Kbgnw>

BRITISH VALUES

This week's British Value we have been looking at is:



Democracy

We all have a voice and our opinions should be heard. If we want to help care for and protect natural habitats, we can use our voice and take action.

The story it links to in the news is:

It has been suggested that the number of hazel dormice in the UK has dropped from around 3.5 million to only 750,000 in almost 30 years. Currently, their conservation status is classed as 'vulnerable', but some researchers say people should be more worried for them. A recent report from the University of Exeter urges for hazel dormice to be reclassified as 'endangered' and calls for more conservation action.

