



The Federation of St Mary's Catholic Schools

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

Philippians 4: 13

Respect

Compassion

Resilience

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have been exceptional this week. I am always so proud of them as they live out our school rules daily: Be Safe, be Respectful and Be Responsible. This week the many visitors that have been in school have praised our children's wonderful behaviour, their love of learning and how enthusiastic they are. It has been lovely to show others how fantastic our children are!

Multi skills

Very well done to our Years 1 and 2 children who represented our school in the multi skills competition. The theme was the Commonwealth and they played games from different countries and they did so with a huge smile on their faces and a positive attitude.



Poetry Buzz



Following on from our workshops last week with the poet Paul Delaney, 3 children were chosen from Year 2 to perform their own poems at an event called 'Poetry Buzz.' This is the St Helens Primary Schools' KS1 Poetry Festival. This was held at in a crowded school hall at Eaves Primary School. They all LOVED it and we are very proud of them. Thank you for representing our school so brilliantly!

Easter Activities



A huge thank you to our PTFA for providing Easter eggs for the winner's of our Eater bonnet competition and our school raffle. You work relentlessly for us and we appreciate your hard work.

The Easter bunny paid us a visit to give every child in our school an Easter egg. He announced the winners of our Easter bonnet competition and the children paraded around the hall wearing them. Thank you Business for Youth for supplying these.



Finally I want to wish you all a very happy Easter. Enjoy the time with your loved ones. Thank you for your continued support, it never goes unnoticed!

AWARD WINNERS

| | <u>Star of the Week</u> | <u>Kindness Award</u> |
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| |  |  |
| N | Gustas | Nathan |
| RB | Jason | Jacob |
| RM | Ezra | Molly |
| Y1G | Harry | Seb |
| Y1O | Tom | Megan |
| Y2M | Harry | Igor |
| Y2B | Daisy | Felicity |

Hunter



Please do not park in the Infant car park either before or after school to collect your child, this includes Breakfast and After-school Club.



Also, the church drive is not part of our school, please do not park or wait on the church drive. Thank you.

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

Monday 17th April

School opens

PE Days

| | |
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| N | Monday |
| R | Wednesday |
| Y1 | Thursday |
| Y2 | Tuesday |

Wellies

Has your child grown out of their wellies? Nursery and Reception would be grateful of any donations up to size 12.

Thank you for your support.



Getting Your Child to School Really Matters



Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By... Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately... or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

| | | |
|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 5 Minutes | 3.5 Days from School | 20 Lessons |
| 10 Minutes | 7 Days from School | 41 Lessons |
| 15 Minutes | 10 Days from School | 55 Lessons |
| 20 Minutes | 14.5 Days from School | 82 Lessons |
| 30 Minutes | 22 Days from School | 123 Lessons |

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

Sharing the Gospel

Sing Hosanna

In this week's gospel, Matthew 21:1-11, we see Jesus enter Jerusalem as a Passover pilgrim for the last time, demonstrating how he brings in God's kingdom and setting the stage for the showdown with those he sees as God's real enemies.



Lord Jesus,
it has been good to spend
this time together.
May we leave in peace to
love and serve you.
Amen.

Song of the week: Where you there?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCGjM9I8FrI>

BRITISH VALUES

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



Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Community groups can be formed by people with similar interests or characteristics. Not everyone shares the same interests or characteristics as each other but we can respect that.

The story it links to in the news is:

Schools in parts of Turkey and Syria have been reopening in the weeks since the devastating earthquakes hit, many in the form of makeshift tents. Teachers in the affected areas are making certain children's education continues, despite the difficult circumstances. Many school buildings were affected in the earthquakes at the start of February, leading to all educational institutions nationwide being closed for over two weeks. Although many learning centres have since reopened, lessons have had to also continue in tent schools, set up by volunteers and authorities in the worst affected areas.



Join us for a

VINTAGE TEA PARTY

honoring

The Coronation of King Charles III

Saturday, 29th April 2023
From 2pm to 4.30pm
Newton Community Centre, Park Rd South, WA12 8EX
£5 per ticket (which includes cream tea and entertainment)

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THINK FOOD BANK

NEWTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ARE STILL A FOOD BANK DONATION POINT EVEN WHILST THE CENTRE IS CLOSED FOR SUMMER PLAYScheme

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO, PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION OF NON PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS TO HELP FAMILIES IN YOUR COMMUNITY THIS SUMMER

POP IT IN THE TROLLEY

OUTSIDE NEWTON COMMUNITY CENTRE
PARK ROAD SOUTH, NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, WA12 8EX

Newton Family and Community Centre
St Helens foodbank

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FRIDAY 7TH + SATURDAY 8TH APRIL

EASTER TRAIL

Highstreet HIVE

£2 PER ENTRY, PURCHASE AT JASMINE'S

Help Hoppy catch the Naughty Carrot

EGG HUNT