



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,

Myself, the governors and all the teaching staff want to extend a warm welcome back after the Easter holidays. It has been great to be back in school and see the children in their Summer uniforms looking very smart.

After School Clubs

We have been inundated with after school club applications so unfortunately some children have not received a place on their chosen club. This is due to resources needed for them to go ahead or staff ratios. Those who have not got a place in this half term's club are on a waiting list. If your child has a place on an after school club you will have been informed via text.

We have worked hard to ensure that every child will attend at least one after school club during the year. We have 74% of our children attending: choir, mindfulness, bikeability, multi-skills, cheerleading, fun time Friday and gardening. Many thanks to the staff who are running them.

Coronation Celebration

On Friday 5th May, we will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles with a picnic/school lunch on the playground (weather permitting). All children will be invited to wear red, white and blue to celebrate this special occasion. There will be a design a crown competition too, details to follow.



PTFA

The PTFA met last night at the Junior School. It was lovely to welcome new faces as well as our committee to the meeting. Please consider coming along to the next meeting. On the agenda was the Family Fun Night on Friday 12th May, a coffee and cake afternoon at the Juniors on Monday 22nd May and the Summer Fair which this year, will be on Saturday 1st July.

For the Summer Fair to go ahead, we need volunteers. This might be to plan before the event, collect donations, move tables either before or after the event, run stalls and games on the day, BBQ, shop for prizes, food etc. Look out for a 'Survey Monkey' sometime next week to offer your help.



Curriculum Overviews

Today, your child will be bringing home their year groups curriculum overviews. They will also be posted on Seesaw. Please use these to ask your child what topics they are learning about in school. Thank you.

KS1 Maths Number Sacks


On Friday 12th, 19th and 26th May, St Helens Council are running maths sessions for the parents and carers of Year 1 and Year 2 children at the Infants. The session will be from 2.15pm until 4.15pm. The 2.15pm-3.15pm session will be for adults only then the children will be invited to the 3.15pm-4.15pm session. To attend please complete the flyer and return it to the school office. Your child will bring it home today.

AWARD WINNERS

	<u>Star of the Week</u>	<u>Bee Award</u>
		
N	Luca	Arlo W
RB	Gabe	Sadie
RM	Alexander	Shar
Y1G	Harry	Charlie
Y1O	Mia	Robin
Y2M	Daisie	Amelie
Y2B	Felicity	Sofia

We have replaced our Kindness award for a Bee Award. To be chosen for our Bee Award the children must follow our school rules: Be, Safe, Be Responsible and Be Respectful.



Sylvie




If you happen to find any school reading books or school sharing stories at home, please return them as soon as possible.



Thank you kindly



Dates for your diary –Summer 1 – St Mary’s Catholic Infant School

Monday 17th April	Return to school
Wb Monday 24th April	New offer of after school clubs to begin
Wednesday 3rd May	Year 1 Local walk linked to history topic. Details to follow.
Thursday 4th May	Year 2 Local walk linked to history topic. Details to follow.
Friday 5th May	Coronation Celebration – everyone to dress in red, white and blue. Design a crown competition.
Monday 8th May	Coronation Bank Holiday
Friday 12th May	Year 1 and 2 Multi Skills competition PTFA Family Fun Night @ St Patrick’s Club
Friday 19th May	RM Class Collective Worship
Monday 22nd May	PTFA coffee afternoon at the Juniors. All welcome.
Friday 26th May	School closes for the half term holiday School reopens on Tuesday 6 th June

PE Days

N	Monday
R	Wednesday
Y1	Thursday
Y2	Tuesday

Friday Raffle for Reception-Y2

Don't forget your 50p.



Sharing the Gospel

Unlocking the Easter story

In this week's gospel, John 20:19-31, we see The risen Jesus appear among his disciples when Thomas is absent. Jesus breathes on them and says, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.' A week later, Jesus appears again and speaks to Thomas directly. Thomas cries out, 'My Lord and my God!'



Thank you God,
that the risen Jesus met his followers
and helped them to unlock the story of Easter.

Unlock the box.

Thank you that the story doesn't end there,
but it continues to unfold with...

Pull out each of the names and read them.

Amen.



BRITISH VALUES

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



Individual Liberty

There are many situations in life that can become dangerous. By considering the consequences of our actions and managing risks, we can help to keep ourselves and others safer.

The story it links to in the news is:

Loud siren-like sounds will be triggered on mobile phones and other devices on 23rd April as part of a UK Government test of its new emergency alerts system. The service will broadcast alarms and send emergency advice to people's devices to warn them of nearby danger that could threaten their life such as a large fire or flooding. As part of the service's roll out, a number of trials are taking place.

Can you prepare for emergency situations





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6 REASONS TO JOIN THE PTFA

FOR THE CHILDREN

BECOME A ROLE MODEL TO SHOW YOUR CHILD YOU VALUE THEIR EDUCATION.

THE EVENTS WE PLAN WILL IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL EXPERIENCE.



FOR YOU

VOLUNTEERING IS A REWARDING EXPERIENCE

WE PLAN TO HOST MANY SOCIAL EVENTS TO RAISE MONEY AND ALSO TO ENJOY EACH OTHERS COMPANY.



FOR THE SCHOOL

HELP THE SCHOOL TO RAISE FUNDS.

HAVE A VOICE IN THE PURCHASES THAT ARE MADE TO SUPPORT THE CHILDREN.



BE CONNECTED

THERE IS NO BETTER WAY OF KNOWING WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SCHOOL.

MEET OTHERS THAT SHARE THE SAME COMMON GOALS TO HELP IMPROVE THE SCHOOL.



IT IS FUN!

WE AIM TO ENJOY OURSELVES IN ALL OUR ROLES.

FROM PLANNING EVENTS TO RUNNING A STALL IS EXCITING!



KEEP THE PTFA GOING!

AS PARENTS LEAVE SCHOOL WE NEED TO KEEP THE COMMITTEE GOING.

COME JOIN OUR FRIENDLY TEAM AS MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!



"I work full time and help when I am able"

"I really enjoy seeing my grown up help out at events"

"I didn't realise how rewarding it would be"

"I've made life long friends"

Wigan Football Development



St Edmund Arrowsmith High School (AstroTurf Pitch)
Rookery Avenue, Wigan, WN4 9PF
Starting on Friday 19th May 2023

In association with First Kick Football

School years - Reception and Year 1	6:00pm - 6:45pm
School years - Year 2 and Year 3	6:45pm - 7:30pm
School years - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6	7:30pm - 8:30pm

Dear parents,

Places are now available to join a new 12-week football course every Friday at St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School, starting 19th May, which is open to both boys and girls.

Our courses teach children correct football techniques by FA qualified coaches who have full DBS (CRB) clearance to work with children. The structure for the course is 'FUN through Football,' building confidence for total beginners and moving onto more complex sessions for experienced players.

We provide a ball per player for the majority of our drills ensuring children get more touches of the ball and improve quicker than conventional coaching where children are waiting around to have a turn. The sessions are held on the fantastic AstroTurf pitch so trainers or AstroTurf boots should be worn. Players are also advised to bring a still drink for the session.

The club has links to local junior teams of which players will be able to play for at the weekend. Players who show advanced ability on the course will be recommended for trials at professional academies. Players who have previously attended courses are currently playing for Blackburn Rovers, Preston North End, Manchester United, Liverpool, Blackpool, Everton, Burnley, Bolton, Oldham, Rochdale and Wigan.

The cost of the course is just over £5 per week, which is payable in two instalments. The first payment of £25 is due when booking your child on and the second payment of £45 due at the first session. Parents are encouraged to watch the sessions but are welcome to leave children, as every session is fully supervised.

NEW TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Every four weeks we have a tournament in order for the children to put their new-found skills into practice with medals and trophies awarded at the end of the course for various categories.

ALL PLAYERS WILL RECEIVE A TROPHY & A MEDAL at the presentation, which is held on the final week of the course. Additional trophies will also be awarded in each group from categories including: Best Attitude, Star Player, Most Improved Player, Most Promising Player and Hardest Working Player.

To book a place for your child please telephone the number below as soon as possible as a high response is expected.



TO BOOK PLEASE TELEPHONE
Kaden

0161 302 2510 or 07514 316 534

We cannot guarantee that the course will run in consecutive weeks.
Please note we have a strict no refund policy once the course has been booked.



Clubs in the Community.

**DYNAMOS
CRICKET**



**This is
our game.**

dynamoscriccket.co.uk

Join us at:

Newton - le - Willows Cricket Club, WA12 9XE

Session dates:

Friday evenings, 19th May - 7th July 2023, for all children aged 8-11

Session timings:

6:00 - 7:00 pm

Contact:

ianwalky112@gmail.com

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Dynamos Cricket provides a fantastic next step for all those graduating from All Stars Cricket and the perfect introduction for all 8-11 year-olds new to the sport!

Sessions are all about playing together and developing new skills, teamwork and friendship.

Every child that registers will receive their very own Dynamos Cricket New Balance t-shirt, personalised with their name and number on the back and have access to a brand new digital app, packed with exclusive cricket content, unlockable skills challenges, quizzes and activities.

Sign up today to your nearest
Dynamos Cricket centre.

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