

# St Mary's CE Primary School Rawtenstall

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## TRUST

*'I came to give life. Life in all its fulness'*

*John 10:10*

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

This half term our Christian value that we have been exploring is:

### Queen Elizabeth II



On behalf of everybody St Mary's Primary School I would like to pass on our deepest sympathies and condolences to all members of the royal family at this sad time.

I can also confirm that school will remain open for the duration of the national mourning period.

I would also like to share a prayer for Queen Elizabeth II with the school community and have her in our thoughts at this time:

**Gracious God, we give thanks  
for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth,  
for her faith and her dedication to duty.  
Bless our nation as we mourn her death  
may her example continue to inspire us;  
through Jesus Christ  
Amen**

This week the children have been discussing their knowledge and ideas on how we can be trustworthy and which people they can rely upon.

### Ethos winners of the week

Reception - Eva  
Year 1 - Hiba  
Year 2 - Hajrah  
Year 3 - Charlie  
Year 4 - Eli  
Year 5 - Ben  
Year 6 - Olivia

### Readers of the week

Reception - Reagan  
Year 1 - Arthur  
Year 2 - Inaaya  
Year 3 - Mohammed  
Year 4 - Safiyyah  
Year 5 - Acer  
Year 6 - Charlie

### St Mary's Twitter account

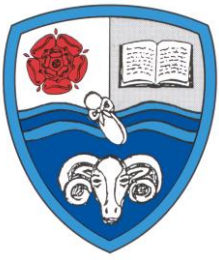
St Mary's Primary School currently has a twitter account. To follow please search for the following:

**@StMarys\_CEP**

### Reception Intake September 2023

St Mary's Primary School will be holding an open day for parents who are applying for Reception 2023 primary school places.

If you would like to arrange a visit to school on this date or any other that is convenient for you please telephone the school office on 01706 216407.



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**Applications can be made via the following website link:**

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/>

## **Attendance and punctuality**

For our children to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly and every child should be at school, on time, every day the school is open unless they have an unavoidable reason to be absent. Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence will seriously affect their learning.

Absence or late arrival also disrupts teaching routines and so may affect the learning of others in the same class.

Government research shows a direct link between attendance and attainment and good attenders also make better progress socially, learn to work with others, and are better prepared for the transition to secondary school and, eventually, higher education, training and employment.

**St Mary's Primary school is open from 08:45am each day and finishes at 3:30pm. If your child is going to be absent from school, please ensure you phone the school on 01706 216407 each day they are going to be absent.**

Please find a link to St Mary's CE Primary School attendance policy and procedures for your reference.

<https://www.stmaryscep.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=399&type=pdf>

## **School uniform**

This academic year please ensure your child attends school each day in the correct St Mary's Primary School uniform.

**Please can I remind all parents and carers that trainers, boots and tracksuit bottoms are not allowed as part of the school uniform.**

This year we will be asking pupils to bring their St Mary's PE kit into school and children will now get changed in school when it is their PE day.

Thank you for your support on ensuring you child is wearing the full school uniform each day. A link to the school uniform policy is also attached:

<https://www.stmaryscep.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=400&type=pdf>

<https://www.stmaryscep.org.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=401&type=pdf>

## **Applying for secondary school places**

**We would like to remind all Year 6 parents the deadline for applying for secondary school places is the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022.**

**Please ensure you apply for a secondary school place via the following website link:**

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school/>

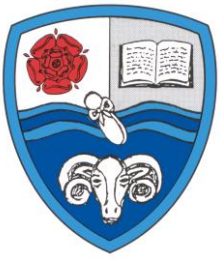
## **Breakfast sports clubs**

This half term the following sports clubs will be taking for those pupils who have been allocated a place:

**Tuesdays: 8am – Year 1 and 2 multi-sports**

**Wednesdays: 8am – Year 3 and 4 tri golf**

**Thursdays: 8am – Year 1 and 2 invasion games**



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**Fridays: 8am – Year 5 and 6 tri-golf**

## **Year 5 and 6 swimming**

In the autumn term the boys in year 5 and 6 will be going for swimming lessons on Fridays. Please can you ensure your child has their swimming kit with them every week. Thank you.

## **Diary dates**

**Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 taster day at Haslingden High School**

**Wednesday September 14<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 re-arranged trip to Brockholes**

**Monday September 26<sup>th</sup> – Languages day**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Reception 2023 open day**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October – School photographs**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Parents evening**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Half term**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Anti-bullying week**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November – Parliament week**