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Friday 29th September 2023

'I came to give life. Life in all its fullness'

John 10:10

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our pupils back to school and hope you all had lovely summer. I would also like to say a big well done to everybody for an excellent first week back in school at St Mary's CE Primary School.

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

Respect

Ethos Award Winners

Reception: Zahraa Year 1: Ayman Year 2: Mabel Year 3: Samuel Year 4: Laaibah Year 5: Sameera Year 6: Jalal

Mathematicians of the week

Reception: Jadon Year 1: Matilda Year 2: Siena Year 3: Joshua Year 4: Lydia B Year 5: Azad Year 6: Solomiia

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Pupils where parental consent has been provided will have their nasal flu vaccinations on Tuesday 17th October 2023.

Pupil Council Members

Well done to the following pupils who have been voted onto the Pupil Council this year.

Year 6 – Acer (Chair), Scarlett (Vice Chair) Year 5 – Esa, Olivia Year 4 – Ameera, Mohammad Year 3 – Bodhi, Tahira Year 2 – Eli, Maya Year 1- Reagan, Ayman

<u> Attendance – Whole school target 96%</u>

Weekly whole school attendance: 93%

Year group	Attendance
4	98.2%
5	97.3%
1	97.2%
3	92.4%
2	90.9%
6	90.4%
R	84.2%

Best timekeeping: Year 1

Reception Intake 2024 Open Day

We will be holding an open day on **Friday** 6th October 2023 for parents who are interested in their child joining St Mary's CE Primary School in September 2024.

Please email or call the school office to arrange an appointment between 9:30am and 3pm:

Tel - 01706 216407

Email: schooloffice@rawtenstall-stmarys.lancs.sch.uk



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If you are unable to make this date we will be happy to arrange a date and time that is convenient for you to have a tour of the school.

Congratulations Mrs Watson

On behalf of everybody within the St Mary's CE Primary School community I would like to pass on our congratulations to Miss Morgan who got married in the summer holidays. Miss Morgan will now be known as Mrs Watson.

School places available

At the current time we have a small number of pupil places available in some classes across school. If you are aware of any families who wish to join St Mary's Primary School, they can call the school office on 01706 216407 and I will be happy to take them on a tour of the school.

School Photographs

Individual school photographs will take place this year on Thursday 12 October.

Lancashire school admissions

Primary Schools Reception 2024

The arrangements for the admission of pupils to primary schools in September 2024 will, as far as possible, conform to the following timetable.

1 September 2023 - Apply from this date.

15 January 2024 - National closing date for primary applications.

Secondary Schools 2024

1 September 2023 - Apply from this date.

31 October 2023 - National closing date for secondary applications.

Applications for primary and secondary school places can be made online via the link below:

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/childreneducation-families/schools/apply-for-aschool-place/apply-online-for-a-schoolplace/

Car Parking around school reminder

When picking up and dropping off your child, please can we politely remind all parents and family members to be considerate our neighbours. This includes not blocking driveways and parking in a way that can cause safety issues in surrounding area. Your co-operation and support related to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Autumn term 1 breakfast sports clubs

Breakfast sports clubs will commence week beginning the 11th September 2023 and will end week beginning 16th October 2023.

Please can I remind parents to send the permission slips back to school as there are limited places available for each club.

Monday 8am to 8:50am:

Year 5 and 6 theatre/drama club

Tuesday 8am to 8:50am:



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Year 1 and Year 2 multi-skills club

Wednesday 8am to 8:50am:

Year 3 and 4 dodgeball club

Friday 8am to 8:50am:

Year 5 and Year 6 dodgeball club

St Mary's PTFA meeting

St Mary's PTFA will be meeting on Monday 9th October at 3:30pm.

All parents/carers and family members who would like to become involved are very welcome to attend the meeting.

St Mary's school facility lettings

St Mary's Primary School has a small range of facilities that are available to be rented out to local clubs in accordance with our school lettings policy.

If this is something that may of interest, please contact the school office on 01706 216407 and Mr Gurman will be happy to discuss this with you further.

Rossendale Hospice Penny Pinching Appeal

This year we will be participating in the Rossendale Penny Pinching Appeal to raise money for the hospice.

Once the boxes are full please could you drop them off at the following collection points as they are not to be returned to school this year. Thank you for your support:

Asda Kay's Celebration Cakes The Veg Shop Credit Union Hospice Shop

Key dates:

Tuesday 10th October – Year 5 Survival Stars at Whitehough

Wednesday 18th October – Parents evening

Thursday 19th October – 9:30am Harvest service at St Mary's Church

Friday 20th October – School breaks up for half term at 3:30pm

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