

# St Mary's CE Primary School Rawtenstall

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## Friday 10th November 2023

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

*John 10:10*

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

**PEACE**

### Ethos Award Winners

Reception: Leo  
Year 1: Samuel  
Year 2: Zakariya  
Year 3: Sameera  
Year 4: Yahya  
Year 5: Jenny  
Year 6: Ayaan A

### Writers of the week

Reception: Nell  
Year 1: Layla  
Year 2: Matilda  
Year 3: Tahira  
Year 4: Zak  
Year 5: Younus  
Year 6: Mustafa

### 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.

## Attendance – Whole school target 96%

Weekly whole school attendance: 91%

Year group	Attendance
3	98.6%
4	94.3%
6	94.3%
5	93.3%
2	86.2%
Reception	83.8%
1	83.8%

Best timekeeping: 4

### Reception Intake 2024 Open Day 2

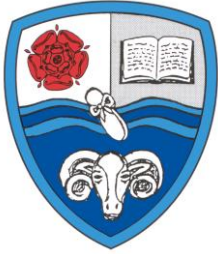
We will be holding a second open day on **Friday 24th November 2023** for parents who are interested in their child joining St Mary's CE Primary School in September 2024.

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

Tel - 01706 216407

Email: schooloffice@rawtenstall-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk

**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.**



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## UK Parliament Week

This week all of the children have been involved in learning about Parliament and democracy as part of our involvement in UL Parliament Week.

## Anti Bullying Week 2023

Next week as a school we will be participating in a range of assemblies and lessons as part UK Anti-Bullying Week. The theme for this year is **'Make A Noise About Bullying'**

## Children in Need Non- Uniform Day

Just reminder that Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November is non –uniform day as part of the school council's charity work for Children In Need. Please could we kindly request that all pupils bring a £1 donation to school. Thank you for your support.

## PTFA Colouring Competition

**As part of the 2024 calendar that the children are designing we will be running a competition for drawings to feature in the calendar:**

**Reception / Year 1 - Easter themed drawing**

**Year 2 - Summer themed drawing**

**Year 3 / Year 4 - Christmas themed drawing**

**Year 5 - a drawing of St Mary's Church**

**Year 6 - a drawing of St Mary's School**

**Pictures will need to be drawn landscape on an A4 piece of paper using only pencil or felt tip (no wax crayon or glitter) please.**

**If any children would like to enter please can they bring their drawing into school before Friday 17th November.**

**There will be a small prize for each winner along with a calendar to keep!**

## Young Mental Health Champions

Congratulations to Ethan and Anniyah who have successfully completed the 'Young Mental Health Champions' certification which was led by Rossendale Sports Partnership.

## 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.

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

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



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## **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.

## **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.

## **Key dates:**

**Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Anti-bullying Week**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Non-Uniform Day**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Whole school Christmas performance – 6pm**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Whole school Christmas performance – 6pm**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Reception Intake 2024 Open Day – 9:30am to 3pm**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Carol Service at St Mary's Church – 9:30am**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – School finishes for Christmas at 3:30pm**