

St Marie's Catholic Primary School

Learning through faith, love and respect



*Headteacher's Weekly Newsround
End of week 9, 10th November 2023*



Term 2023

Year 6 Remembrance Assembly

Thank you Year 6 for leading a very reflective and memorable assembly on Friday. You helped our school come together to remember the men and women who have served and continue to serve our country in wartime, armed conflict, and peacekeeping. We also spent time remembering those who have given their lives in the pursuit of peace. A big thank you to Mr Alker who answered our questions and played a part in the assembly by sending footage of himself in his army clothing and telling us all about the importance of his job- in dealing with emergencies and disasters, protecting and preventing conflict.



Picture News Pioneers

In school we use Picture news every week for awareness raising assemblies.

Weekly News Resource

Learning from the world around us!

Each week we choose a current news story, provide an image, a thought-provoking question and a variety of teaching resources.

Mrs Jackson and Mrs Cheap are now developing a team of Picture News Pioneers!

Our first team did really well presenting the news to the rest of Key Stage 2 in the hall. The children presented confidently the question '**How have poppies changed over time?**'

National Anti-Bullying Week

This year it has the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying' and will take place from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November. The week will be kicked off with **Odd Socks Day** on **Monday 13th November** - adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

WHY IS ODD SOCKS DAY IMPORTANT?

The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves free from bullying



Throughout the week we will use stories, role plays, lesson resources, assemblies and wellbeing clubs to discuss this theme further.

Wellbeing Thought for the week

Mrs O'Neill's Thought for the Week

"Strong people stand up for themselves, but stronger people stand up for others."

Chris Gardner

This week is Anti-Bullying week. The theme is
'Make a noise about bullying!'

Don't stay silent, use your voice to help others.

Offer a gesture of friendship, tell a teacher or ask people to stop and think about their actions if you see something you think is wrong.

Throughout the week we will raise awareness and use our collective voice to
MAKE A NOISE!



Year Reception and Year 1
Scooter Bike sessions

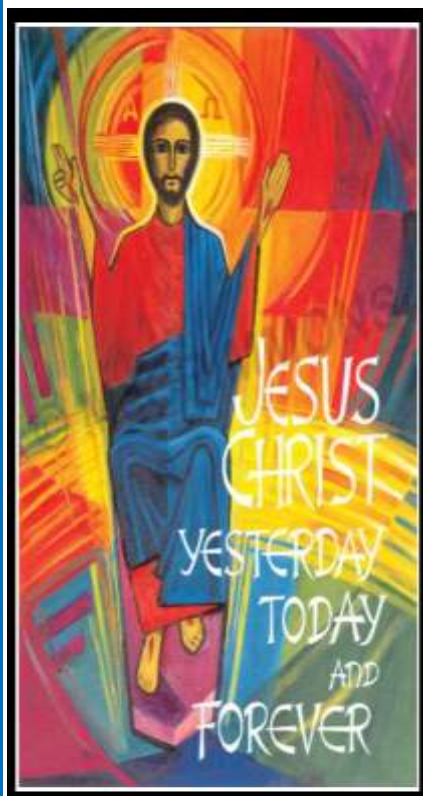
Jamie and Karen from Wigan Council helped all our children succeed. Their confidence developed throughout the sessions and their skills excelled. It was a joy to watch the children on the Scooter Bikes.

Year 6 Bikeability

Jamie and Karen will return on Tuesday 28th until Thursday 30th November to support Year 6 with their Bikeability sessions.

In order to get your bike ready for these sessions Dr Bike will be in school on Friday 24th November. Children please bring your bikes to school on this day to get a full service.

Year 6, I hope you have all signed up for these wonderful sessions.



Sunday Gospel Message for the week ahead
'Wisdom'

Liturgical Year and Cycle: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Cycle A

Key Scripture: Matthew's Gospel

"Wisdom is kind and considerate: it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good"

God loves us and sent Jesus to help us grow in wisdom.

WHO do you know who is wise?

WHAT makes a person wise?

WHEN did you make a wise choice?

Loving our neighbour as ourselves is a powerful way to show that we are growing in wisdom.

Let us pray,

Dear Lord Jesus,

please help us to grow in wisdom.

To be kind and loving

And so one day we will share with you

All the joys of heaven

Amen



P.T.F.A.



We are having a Christmas chocolate and bottle tombola again this year and urgently

need chocolate and bottle donations!

The tombola will also be at the Advent walk on

Sunday December 3rd

please send any donations into school by

Monday 27th November.

Thank you for your continued support



St Marie's PTFA



Donate your adult and children's preloved Christmas jumpers and Nativity costumes to help raise money for the PTFA

Please send your donations in to the School Office by 17th November

Sale will take place in School 29th November



St Marie's PTFA

**BAUBLE
DECORATING
COMPETITION**

Decorate a bauble for your class
Christmas Tree, prize for best
bauble in each class

COLLECT YOUR BAUBLE FROM SCHOOL TO
DECORATE AT HOME AND BRING IN TO
HANG ON YOUR CLASS CHRISTMAS TREE
WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT THE ADVENT WALK



St Marie's PTFA

ADVENT WALK

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER

DRINK & BISCUIT FOR CHILDREN AND
ADVENT WISH STAR INCLUDED
BAILEYS HOT CHOC AND MULLED WINE
ON SALE
BOTTLE TOMBOLA, CHOCOLATE RAFFLE
AND BAUBLE DECORATING

MEET AT 3PM AT:
CORNER OF CHURCHFIELDS/RECTORY LANE
CORNER OF WOODHURST DRIVE/ALMOND BROOK ROAD
CORNER OF ROUNDMOOR ROAD/WIGAN ROAD
CORNER OF PRESTON ROAD/PEPPERLANE

£5PER
FAMILY

ON
PARENT
PAY

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN
REUSEABLE CUP IF POSSIBLE

Holy Communion Preparation

Sessions start tomorrow Monday 613th
Novemembr. The first session is in St Marie's
Church at 6.00pm. We are going on a Church
Treasure Hunt . We will also find out all about the
sacramental programme led by The Church
Catechist Team

*Autumn Term Parent
Consultation Sessions*

These will be in person meetings in the school
hall on Tuesday 21st November and Wednesday
22nd November, depending on Year group.
Please book your session from the school
website. These are very important sessions for
you to attend so we can celebrate your child's
work, strengths and identify their next steps in
learning. We will also discuss the importance of
our homework tasks so you can help at home.

Special recognition achievements

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| Preschool | Mikkel for his brilliant listening skills during our phonics sessions. Mikkel is always happy and ready to learn. |
| Reception | Evie for always showing kindness to others. She is ready to learn and always tries her best. |
| Year 1 | Ivy for lovely sentences in her work this week and her great attitude to all school life. Eleanor for showing a positive , resilient attitude to new learning. |
| Year 2 | Aaron for his excellent improvements due to hard work, practice and consistent homework. Your handwriting has improved lots and lots. |
| Year 3 | Sasha for always putting her hand up showing her engagement in all lessons and her love for learning. |

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| Year 4 | Lilly M for working hard on her presentation skills , her improved times tables and lots of consistent homework to improve her scores in times tables tests. |
| Year 5 | Rita for her great English work and excellent attitude to learning. |
| Year 6 | Henry S for using interesting and advanced, detailed vocabulary to improve his writing |

Special recognition for demonstrating School Core Values



Thank you for sharing your time to think about others. Some of our St Marie's children took part in the Standish Remembrance Sunday parade today with their **Rainbow and Brownie** groups.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite more members to these clubs. There are spaces available at Standish Rainbows and Brownie troops.

I will advertise this through Parentpay which will include more details.

Also for the Children's Leadership Team who conducted tours of school with new , prospective families. They were a credit to our school and it demonstrated so much respect and love for their school. They were engaging, enthusiastic , polite and caring .