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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

This Week's Gospel – from John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,

and my Father will love him,

and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name,

will teach you everything

and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you,

a peace the world cannot give,

this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,

so that when it does happen you may believe.'



Dear God, help us to make our world a peaceful place so that all people may live free from the fear of fighting and war. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Prince of Peace. Amen.

LEARNING THROUGH FAITH, LOVE AND RESPECT

Special Sunday Mass

Please save the date – **Sunday 22nd June** at 11am

Mass at St. Marie's Church on this date will be a family Mass. All children, families and staff are warmly invited. The children will be involved in the Mass. The Year 4 children who will have made their First Holy Communion earlier in the month are invited to wear their special clothes again.

PTFA

A big thank you to the PTFA who organised the family picnic last weekend. Thank you to families for supporting this - it was wonderful to see so many relaxing in the sunshine whilst the children enjoyed doing the treasure hunt, playing, trying to win prizes and using the bouncy castle. It was a relaxing and enjoyable event! Thank you also for the donations for the tombola.

Other news this week...

Pre-School - have explored the artist Henri Rousseau and have created artwork inspired by his painting 'In the Jungle'.



Reception – Lots of medal in reception achieved at sports day. A great time had by all.



Year 1 – made dampener bread after setting buildings on fire to recreate the Great Fire of London!



Year 2 - have been sewing and have making their own puppets.



Year 5 - As part of design and technology work, the children have been designing and sewing Tudor Rose cushion emblems.



Year 6 – we were so proud of all the Year 6 children who ran the sports event for the Pre-school, Reception and Year 1 children.



Dates for your diary - any highlighted dates show new information that has been added since last week's newsletter.

Monday 2 nd June	School re-opens for the final half term Year 4 children making their First Holy Communion have Reconciliation with Fr Joseph and Fr Phillip in the afternoon at school
Thursday 5 th Jun	New intake meeting for our Reception 2025 5.30pm
Friday 6 th June	Music performance for Key Stage 2 children to watch in school Performance for parents of Pre School, Reception and Year 1 with Fun Box Jo in the school hall 2.30pm
Friday 6 th June	Year 4 go to church with staff to practice for First Holy Communion
Monday 9 th June	Year 6 visit St. Peter's for a transition day
Wednesday 11 th June	Coffee morning meeting for parents of children with SEND 9am – 10am at school
Thursday 19 th June	Rounders Competition for team of Year 5/6 3.45pm – 5.15pm at Standish High
Friday 20 th June	Year 2 educational visit to Formby
Friday 20 th June	Year 1 football team play in a competition
Tuesday 24 th June	Reception children have a visit from Punch and Judy as part of their seaside topic Year 5 visit to St. Peter's for a day of fun and to experience a day in the life of a Year 7 pupil Faith in Action group have their presentation ceremony and celebration 10-2pm

	Town Sports at Robin Park Arena 4pm Year 5/6 team
Thursday 26 th June	Town Sports at Robin Park Arena 4pm Year 3/4 team Reception 2025 parents' meeting 3.30pm at school
Tuesday 1 st July	Year 5 go to St. Peter's for a science morning New Reception 2025 class parents' meeting 3.30pm
Wednesday 2 nd July	Year 6 go to St. Peter's for Mini Olympics event
Thursday 3 rd July	New intake meeting at St. Peter's
Friday 4 th July	Assembly for the children from Wigan Hospice
Monday 7 th July	Fieldwork Fun week begins (all classes have a Geography focused week)
Tuesday 8 th July	Xylophone performance by Year 4 for their Parents 9.15am Year 5/6 Performance of Joseph 6pm in school (more details to follow)
Wednesday 9 th July	Year 1 and 2 – Song Share New Reception class of 2025 in school Year 5/6 Performance of Joseph 6pm (more details to follow)
Thursday 10 th July	Dress in purple or wear purple accessory for Wigan Hospice
Friday 11 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Festival at school 6pm Parents receive their child's report
Monday 14 th July	Wigan's Mayor in school Year 6 Leavers Mass 6pm in school

Tuesday 15 th July	Transition morning when children go up to their new teachers and classrooms for the morning
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 – retreat day at church
Friday 18 th July	School breaks up for summer 2pm

Attendance Matters at Saint Marie's

Our school target is 96.5%. Please be mindful of not booking holidays in term time.



Class	Attendance %
Reception	94.8
Year 1	94.3
Year 2	96.9
Year 3	94.8
Year 4	93.8
Year 5	95.7
Year 6	94.2

This week's Golden Book children:

Pre-School – **Leo** for being so enthusiastic to learn.

Reception – **Rosie** for being a helpful friend and doing good writing.

Jessica for becoming more confident and doing great writing.

Year 1 – **Toby** for always giving more than expected.

Year 2 – **Isabella** for great effort in all areas of school and for always smiling.

Year 3 – **Stylian** for always having the right attitude.

Year 4 – **William** for working hard in all lessons.

Year 5 – **Sebastian** for such a settled start in Year 5 – well done for a great effort.

Year 6 – **David** for helping staff and making us laugh!



Well done children!

Sports Day

Sports Day was fantastic today. The sun shone and so did the children. They displayed excellent 'have a go' attitudes, resilience and great teamwork. Thank you to Mr Edwards and Miss Shaw for organising the events, the PTFA for serving drinks and all families for your support for the children.

With very best wishes for a lovely half term break, Mrs Jackson