

# St. Marie's Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

## From the Gospel of Luke

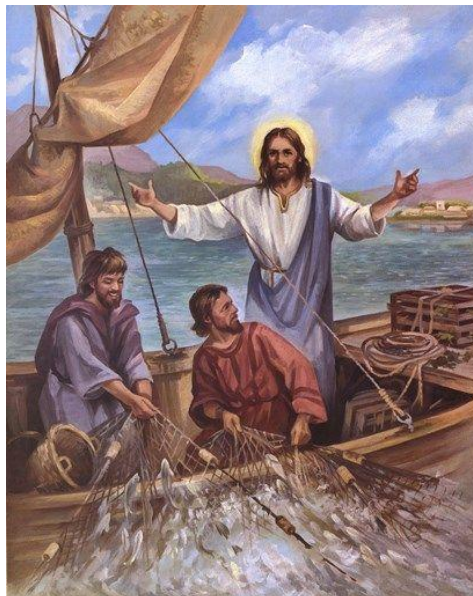
Jesus was preaching by the Sea of Galilee, when crowds of people gathered all around to listen to him. Jesus noticed two fishing boats tied up nearby. He climbed aboard one which belonged to Peter and asked him to sail a little way from the shore. When Jesus had finished talking to the crowds he turned to Peter and said, "Sail out to the deep water and cast out your nets."

"Master we have been fishing all night and have caught nothing," Peter said, "but I will do whatever you say."

That day they caught so many fish that their nets were ready to burst. Peter and his friends James and John were filled with wonder by this marvellous sight and fell to their knees. Then Jesus said, "Do not be afraid; come and follow me." So they left their boats and became his disciples.

## Let us pray

Lord Jesus, you called Peter and his friends to follow you, and you have also called each of us. Help us to trust in you, as Peter did, and make our faith grow stronger every day. Amen.



**LEARNING THROUGH FAITH, LOVE AND RESPECT**

## Learning this week at Saint Marie's...

Pre- School – This week the children have been creating artwork inspired by Jackson Pollock



Reception – have been thinking about well-being and meditating this week



Year 1 - Year 1 children have been labelling body parts in science



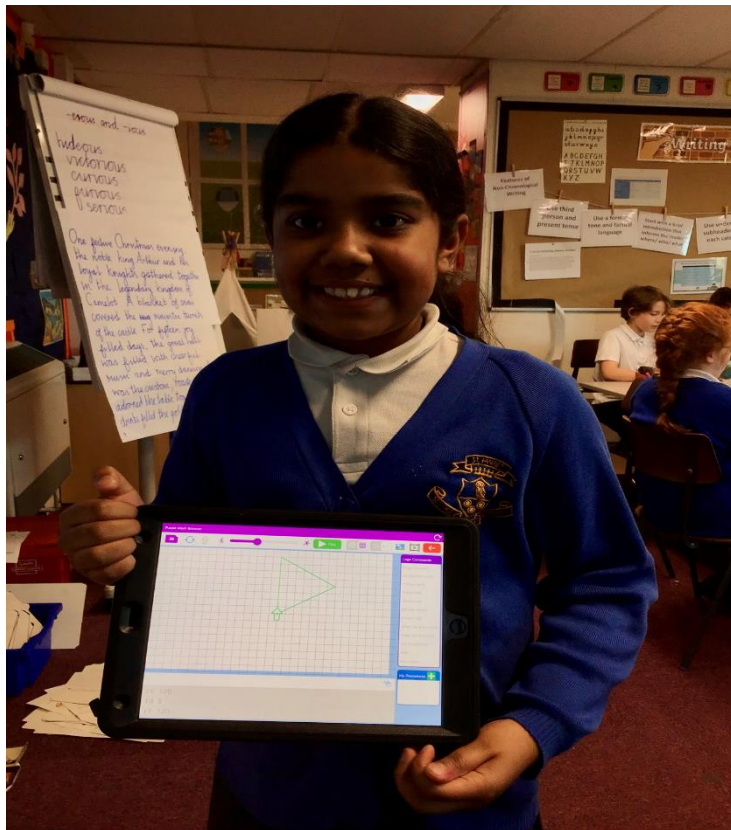
Year 2 – have looked at making ostinato patterns building up to crescendo in music



Year 3 - The children have been writing Ancient Greek myths



Year 4 - In computing, Year 4 have been coding shapes



**Year 5 -** have been learning about place value with active learning outside the classroom. They learnt about multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100 to 2 decimal places.



**Year 6 -** This week in science the children have been learning about evolution. They explored how whales have changed over time using plasticine models.



**This week we have celebrated Children's mental health week.**

We have had guest speakers including Wigan Warrior's, Bob Beswick from Rugby League Cares and Isaak Dalglish, a past pupil of Saint Marie's School.

We have also raised awareness and shared ideas within our classrooms, held a parent coffee morning and an assembly led by our Wellbeing Warriors.

Please see Place2Be's website for useful resources for use at home.





**Shaun the guide dog visited St. Marie's and the children found out about his important role in helping his visually impaired owner.**



## **Cathedral Mass**

There will be a special Mass at the Cathedral in Liverpool on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm. We hope that some of our families will join us there, along with our family from across the Liverpool Archdiocese.

The Mass is a celebration of Jack Traynor who went on pilgrimage to Lourdes with the Liverpool Archdiocese in 1923. He had been injured in the war and suffered from injuries and epilepsy, but whilst in Lourdes he was miraculously cured.

This is the 71<sup>st</sup> miracle to happen at Lourdes and Jack is the first person from England to have been cured at the shrine.

This will be a special Mass. Please join us with your family if you can and let the office know that you will be meeting us there.

This is a historic moment and visiting the Cathedral together is so fitting as Pope Francis calls us to be 'Pilgrims of Hope' in this Jubilee Year.





## Attendance Matters at Saint Marie's

Class	Attendance %
Reception	95.6
Year 1	95.1
Year 2	96.4
Year 3	95.0
Year 4	93.8
Year 5	95.6
Year 6	94.6

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

**We will be rewarding good attendance at the end of each half term.**

**Every day off school has a negative impact.**

## Saint Marie's Easter Bingo!

Back by popular demand – Family Easter Bingo!

Save the date – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 6pm.

All families welcome. Tickets on sale soon.



## Security Gates

**When the vehicle security gates open for staff cars or delivery vans, please do not walk through the gates as they start move. This could be very dangerous. Please use the pedestrian gates. Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe.**

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

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 go to Low Bank Ground, Coniston, for the week
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Internet Safety Day
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half term Week
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Holy Communion meeting for Year 4 at school 5.15pm – 6pm
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Ash Wednesday – Father Joseph visits school 2pm. All welcome
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Workshop for parents– how to help your child with reading/Phonics Meeting for parents of children in Year 4 going on the residential to the Anderton Centre  Times tbc
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Holy Communion meeting for Year 4 at school 5.15pm – 6pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' Afternoon/Evening. More details to follow
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Holy Communion meeting for Year 4 at school 5.15pm – 6pm
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 go on their residential visit to the Anderton Centre
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	PTFA Easter Bingo for children and their families 6pm
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter



## This week's Golden Book children:

Pre-School – **Isaac** for super listening skills and following the golden sun rules.

Reception – **Mikkel** for great phonics and writing. Well done!

**Daisy** for great independent writing.

**Jessica** for being helpful and working very hard.

Year 1 – **Alice** for using her writing skills in all areas of the class.

Year 2 – **Victoria** for always trying her best and great behaviour.

Year 3 – **Martha** for amazing Greek myth writing.

Year 4 – **Olive** for excellent answers in class and trying hard to apply English skills.

Year 5 – **Lilly** for some excellent writing and quietly getting on and working hard – well done!

Year 6 – **John** for pushing vocabulary in writing. Superb!



Well done children!

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

**With very best wishes**

**Mrs Jackson**