



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 2019

A MESSAGE FROM MR MURRAY

After enjoying the privilege of being headteacher of St Mary's Catholic Primary School Dukinfield for nearly twelve years, I say goodbye tomorrow. I want to say a huge and heart-felt "thank you" to all the pupils, parents, staff and governors (both past and present) who have helped to make this such a special place and such a special time in my life. St Mary's will always hold a cherished place in my heart and I will remember you all in my prayers. Good luck and God bless you all.

Mrs Brackenridge becomes Acting Headteacher and Mrs Robinson and Mrs Carlson become Acting Assistant Headteachers from Monday 29th April. I know that the leadership team and staff will be able to rely on your continuing support and understanding as they shape the future of St Mary's school community.

DATE OF THIRD INSET DAY APPROVED

The governors have approved Monday 15th July 2019 as our third and final INSET day of the current academic year. School will be closed to all pupils on this day. Bee's Knees before and after school care club will be closed on this day.

WEDNESDAY WORD

This week and next week, the Wednesday Word is in its booklet format in order to take account of the Easter season. Please make the Wednesday Word a part of your prayerful activity during the Holy season of Easter.

OUR NEXT MASS IN SCHOOL

Our next mass in school is tomorrow, Friday 26th April, and will be Mr Murray's leaving Mass and will be led by Year 6. We are holding an informal coffee morning after Mass on Friday 26th April from 10am – 11 a.m. This would allow you the opportunity to drop in for a brew and pass on your appreciation as well as sharing your memories of him both old and new.

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We are seeking to recruit a midday supervisor to help look after our children at lunch-times, starting as soon after as possible. The hours are Monday – Friday, 11.55am – 1pm (5½ hours per week) term time only. The hourly rate of pay is £9.24 (pro-rated to reflect term-time only). Application forms are available from the school office and are returnable to the school office. Closing date for applications: Friday 10th May 2019. Interviews will take place on the afternoon of Friday 17th May 2019.

YEAR 3 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

Our next Sacramental Programme event will be a Shared Supper celebration which will take place in school at 6.30pm TONIGHT, Thursday 25th April 2019. This is an opportunity for us all to come together with a shared supper in school where we all contribute an item. Please see Miss Longworth and Mrs Bailey as soon as possible to either suggest or be invited to bring an item of food/drink.

RECEPTION'S NEW TEPEE

Reception have a great new wooden tepee structure in their outdoor area which they are very proud of. This was a very generous donation from one of our parents, Mr Ramon Reda. Ramon runs J & L Garden Rooms and more details about the business are available at en-gb.facebook.com or by phoning Ramon on 07565611714.

RESPONDING TO THE NEWSLETTER

We are always happy to receive comments, observations or suggestions about the newsletter or any aspect of school life in general. These can be emailed to:- comments@st-marys-dukinfield.tameside.sch.uk

Thursday 25th April 2019

POKEMON AND FOOTBALL CARDS

Pupils should not bring trading cards of any brand or type to school as these inevitably lead to disputes and strife. If they are spotted in school, they will be confiscated.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE THIS TERM

Mrs Sajid and Miss McNulty have kindly agreed to continue football practice in the summer term. Football practice will take place after school until 4.30pm from Friday 3rd May until Friday 17th May.

GREATER DEPTH MATHS CLASS

The after school Year 6 Greater Depth Maths Class with Miss Dennen has now finished.

EASY FUNDRAISING THANKS

We are slowly raising money for school in a particularly easy and painless way. If you missed it, please read below:

In order to help raise extra income for Saint Mary's Catholic Primary School Dukinfield, we would really appreciate it if you could visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk and consider registering the name of our school (in bold above). It's 100% free to use and - once you have registered - it means that you can raise money for our school every time you shop online. You could have a look at reviews of this service on Trustpilot first. Many thanks for your consideration and many thanks to everyone who has already signed up. At the moment, our supporters have managed to raise £70.60...so just think how much we could effortlessly raise if we had even more supporters!

FOREST SCHOOLS IN SUMMER TERM

A separate letter has gone out to all Year 4 and Year 1 pupils today giving parents details of their child's involvement in Forest School sessions this term. Please read this letter carefully and please complete and return the reply slip by Monday 29th April at the latest in order for your child to participate in the session on Wednesday 1st May.

DIARY DATES:

Thursday 25 th April	Sacramental Programme Shared Supper in school hall at 6.30 pm
Friday 26 th April	Mr Murray's Leaving Mass in school hall at 9am, followed by refreshments in the Community Room
Friday 26 th April	NO FOOTBALL PRACTICE
Monday 29 th April	Mrs Brackenridge becomes Acting Headteacher and Mrs Robinson and Mrs Carlson become Acting Assistant Headteachers from today
Thursday 2 nd May	TCSSA 6 a side outdoor football tournament at St Paul's Hyde (Separate letter to follow for selected pupils)
Friday 3 rd May	No Mass in school today
Friday 3 rd May	Football Practice after school until 4.30pm
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday Monday – school closed
Wednesday 8 th May	Y3 Penitential Service in school at 2pm
Thursday 9 th May	Sacramental Programme Workshop 6 in school at 2pm