



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter 2019

DATE: THURSDAY 23rd MAY

WEDNESDAY WORD

Please spend some family time together this week reading through the Wednesday Word and spreading the joy and love of the Good News. This words to focus on over half term are **HELPER** and **PENTECOST**.

MASS IN SCHOOL

After the holidays, the first Mass is for Y4. All parents and carers are welcome to join in with our Mass.

KS1 SATs

Year 2 have now finished their SATs and the children have conducted themselves brilliantly throughout the tests. Miss McLean and Mrs Earl will now be preparing them for the transition to KS2.

PARENTAL CONCERNS OR QUESTIONS

At St. Mary's, we want to work in partnership with our parents and we have always had an open door policy where you can come in and share any concerns or ask questions with the class teachers or senior members of staff. Just a reminder that emails to the school office are not an acceptable form of communication, if you have any concerns please can you contact school to arrange an appointment with the relevant member of staff at a mutually convenient time.

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.

Y6 TRANSITION VISITS FOR PUPILS GOING TO ASCC

Staff from All Saints Catholic College Dukinfield will be in school on the afternoon of Tuesday 18th June in order to meet the children in our **current Year 6** who will be transferring to ASCC in September 2019.

ASCC would like to invite parents of these pupils to also attend the meetings that will take place on this afternoon. If you would like to take up this kind offer then please pop into our reception area and speak to Mrs Hankinson, who will be able to give you a 15 minute appointment between 1.15pm and 3.15pm.

HOLY COMMUNION CHOIR

We will be sending a letter out after half term to request volunteers from Year 4, 5 and 6 to help the children making their Holy Communion by being part of the choir. We ask that the children in Year 4 – 6 help the Year 3 children as they had past pupils singing at their Holy Communion so it would be lovely to remember the words of Jesus to love one another and help our Catholic community at this special time.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME EVENTS

The remaining key dates for the Sacramental Programme 2019 are:

Time and date:	Event
9.30am on Saturday 15 th June	Celebration of First Holy Communion at St Mary's Church
10.30am on Sunday 30 th June	Certificate Mass at St Mary's Church

Just a reminder that girls wear a white dress and optional veil or head dress. Gloves and other accessories cannot be worn during the service but can be worn for photos.

Boys wear a white shirt with a red tie and black or grey trousers.

Rosary beads are not to be worn but can be held for photos.

Y6 TRIP TO LONDON

There was a meeting this week for the parents of all the pupils in Year 6 who are attending the London Residential this year. This meeting discussed lots of practical details about the trip.

If you **did not** attend this meeting, please make sure you contact the school office about obtaining this information before your child goes to London on Wednesday 26th June.

YEAR 1 PHONIC SCREENING TESTS

Mrs Robinson and Miss Hope will be carrying out the Year 1 Phonic Screening Tests the week beginning 10th June, please can you ensure your child is in school all week.

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

DIARY DATES:

Week beginning 10 th June	Y1 Phonic Screening Test
Friday 14 th June	Y4 Mass
Saturday 15 th June	First Holy Communion for Y3 - arrive at 9.30 a.m.
Tuesday 18 th June	All Saints in to see Y6 pupils and staff and meeting with parents of Y6 only
Wednesday 19 th June	TCSSA KS1 mixed football festival
Thursday 20 th June	Y5 attend St. Paul's Church for LPA Mass
Friday 21 st June	Y2 Mass



Green Team – Laudato Si Award

At St. Mary's we have made a commitment to follow the message of Pope Francis (Laudato Si) and help the planet. We have been encouraged to, 'Think globally, act locally'.

During half term, can you help look after your local environment by helping recycle and conserving water? Also can you spot any bees in the local area? There is a concern that honey bees that help pollinate plants are becoming endangered.

