

# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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**St. Mary's Gospel** this week is 'Light' – Matthew 4 : 12 – 17. Please take a few minutes to discuss this with your child at home. We will be focussing on this during the week.

We have had another busy week at school. Some of the things that have gone on are:

Year 3 have been writing Narrative Poems

Year 2 have finished their Adventure Stories

Unusual Maths activities have been undertaken and are now displayed and we had the visit from the Triple Jump U23 Champion.

We have been very blessed by your support and generosity to yet again raise funds for school.

We are deeply thankful to you all for all that you do each day to help us provide interesting activities and resources for your children.

## Upcoming Events

| Date                       | January  |
|----------------------------|--|
| 27 <sup>th</sup>           | Chinese New Year Meal                                |
| 29 <sup>th</sup>           | KS 1 Competition 'Cone it'                           |
| 30 <sup>th</sup>           | Football match at St. Peter's                        |
| 31 <sup>st</sup>           | Mass Yr4<br><br>Mad Science Club starts after school |
| Date                       | February   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>            | Yr 3 visit to the Marist Centre                      |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>            | Read Aloud Day and No Pens Day                       |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>            | Sacramental Workshop 2 for Yr 3                      |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>            | Number Day<br><br>Mass Yr 2                          |
| 9 <sup>th</sup><br>10:30am | Year 3 Family Mass at Church                         |
| 12 <sup>th</sup>           | No Forest School                                     |
| 3:30-5pm                   | Valentine Disco                                      |
| 13 <sup>th</sup>           | Girl's Football Match                                |
| 14 <sup>th</sup>           | Mass Yr 1<br><br>End of ½ term                       |

## Valentine Disco

12<sup>th</sup> February 2020 3:20 – 5pm

Tickets go on sale via ParentMail on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at £2.50 each. Includes: disco, drink, crisps and sweets.

Please collect tickets from the office.

## Year 5 Bake Sale

**Thank you** to everyone who managed to bring in cakes for us to sell at break time (**and available after school**) and who brought in money to buy a cake.

Year 5 has, so far, managed to raise £72.05 for school funds.

**You are very generous and your support is continually appreciated.**

## Exciting Sporting News

Yesterday, **Kevin Metzger**, an Under 23 Champion Triple Jumper, came in to St. Mary's and inspired all our children with his fitness and skills. He promoted physical activity, healthy eating and perseverance.

The children had an amazing time completing the 'Champions Challenge' and asked engaging questions throughout the afternoon.

Please check out our School Twitter Page to see more pictures and a video.



We would like to **'Thank You'** once again for your generosity.

Together we raised a massive **£1068** through you and your families sponsoring our child. The money raised will go towards supporting Kevin Metzger, 'Sports for Champions' and Our School.

At the moment our school will receive **£386** to invest in P.E equipment for **Play and Lunch Times**.

If you have any more donations please do bring them in; it's never too late!

## Information Outdoor PE kit

We now have an outdoor PE kit for children listed on the website and I informed you about this via ParentMail this week.

Thank you for your understanding with this change. We know that it will facilitate the staff in taking the children outside to participate in games sessions and the children being warm.

## Jewellery

There have been a number of children who are coming to school with earrings, bracelets, necklaces, fitbits, watches etc.

We aim to protect your child in all activities that they undertake. We, therefore ask, for Health and Safety reasons, that they do not wear any jewellery to school.

This was shared with you when your child started at St. Mary's and can be found on the school website.

A watch, simple non-interactive fitbit and studs can be worn to school, however, these must be removed by your child for PE. The school takes no responsibility for these items when they are removed.

If you wish to have your child's ears pierced we ask that this takes place during the summer break, so that they are able to be removed on returning to school in September.

Thank you

## Attendance

Our Whole School Attendance Target is **97.5%**.

Will we be successful?

Do you know how you can help us reach this?

| 13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2020 |              |
|--|--------------|
| Reception                                    | 96%          |
| Year 1                                       | 95.8%        |
| Year 2                                       | 98.7%        |
| Year 3                                       | 99%          |
| Year 4                                       | 96.3%        |
| Year 5                                       | 98.7%        |
| Year 6                                       | 96.7%        |
| <b>Whole School Total</b>                    |              |
|  | <b>97.3%</b> |

**Congratulations to Years 2, 3 and 5** for achieving above the whole school target of 97.5% this last week.

Let's all try really hard to join them next week.