

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another.

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Weekly News

Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who attended our Mass of Commitment for Y3 on Sunday. It was lovely to see the children and families making their promises. Y3 were presenting themselves in readiness for making the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion later in the academic year.

Congratulations to all of the children who represented school yesterday at the cross country event! Your enthusiasm, enjoyment and determination were clear to see and you did yourselves proud! Thank you to our staff, Mrs Smith and Mr Reynolds for organising and supporting the event. It couldn't go ahead without your hard work.

We look forward to another interesting week next week. Monday is the start of children's mental health week and Wednesday is Safer Internet Day. Our themes are 'My Voice Matters' and 'Inspiring Change'. The children will be taking part in some wellbeing work throughout the week, linked to these themes and topics, as well as taking part in an online safety workshop on Wednesday.

Have a wonderful weekend. Kindest regards, Mrs Hill

After School Club have been thinking about Chinese New Year and being very creative making lovely masks!



Award Winners

During our Congratulations
Assembly this morning, individual
certificates have been distributed
for children who have been
demonstrating our school virtues,
sharing their fantastic
mathematical knowledge and
working on their times tables!

Our Class of the Week Awards were presented to Y2 and Y3 for trying their best in all lessons, looking smart and being ready to learn.

Our lunchtime award went to Y5 for beautiful manners and excellent behaviour at lunchtime.
Our Attendance winners for this week are Y4 with 99.2%

Virtues

We have been thinking about our virtues *Compassionate* and *Loving*. We are learning to be compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate and loving by our just actions and forgiving words.

In the Christian tradition, it is never enough simply to notice: we must be moved by what we see, especially by the plight of those who suffer.





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Notices

- We have recently spent a lot of money updating our book banded reading books and our class library books. Mrs Polito and Mrs Wilkinson have been busy purchasing as many books from each year groups recommended read lists as possible! We know you will enjoy them. We do need to ask for £5 for each book lost at home/ not returned to school. Thank you for your cooperation with this.
- We will be celebrating World Book Week in school in March and are inviting the children to dress up as a book character on Friday 8th March.
- During the week beginning 5th February, we will be completing some further work on Children's mental health and also online safety. Nicola Rudge, our online safety advisor, will be leading an online safety workshop for parents on Wednesday 7th February at 2:15pm. Please put this date in your diary and let us know via the school gateway whether you can attend so that we have an idea of numbers.
- You will notice a school fund donation option when you go on to the school gateway. All contributions to this are gratefully received and go towards treats and little extras for our children. We will keep you updated on recent purchases.
- Here are some key assessment dates for this academic year. More details will follow in due course:

Y1 Phonics check: 10th-14th June

Y4 Multiplication check: Between 3rd-14th June

Y6 SATs week: Week beginning 13th May

Events

Fridays - Y6 Safeguarding Me Programme (every Friday until Easter)

5th-9th February - Online Safety and Children's Mental Health Week

Monday 5th February - children can wear an item of clothing of a particular colour that expresses their positivity to launch our mental health week.

Tuesday 6th February - Y3 attending Mass with the Parish

Monday 12th- Friday 16th February - Half Term Break

Monday 19th February – Inset day: school closed to pupils

Reflection and Prayer

This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Throughout his life, Jesus showed his love for us by curing the sick and making time to share with others. By his actions, Jesus helps us to understand that there are many people in the world who need our help, and we too, should always be ready to give our time to help them. One way we can help those who are sick and suffering is by praying for them.

Often before performing a miracle, Jesus would pray to his heavenly father. Time after time, he reminds us of the importance and power of prayer, and of making time to spend with God.

Yours sincerely, Mrs N. Hill Headteacher Our Father,
Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us
from evil.
Amen

