

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School

Thursday 5th May 2016

Collective Worship

Theme for the week is Sensitivity

Levy Fund

We are only **£140** short on the levy contribution and would like to thank everyone who has kindly donated. We are still accepting donations. Thank you.

School Holiday Authorisation

Parents are reminded to not book holidays before asking. All information and forms can be found in the Parent Information section of the school website. Leave will only be authorised for truly exceptional circumstances.

Spelling Workshop

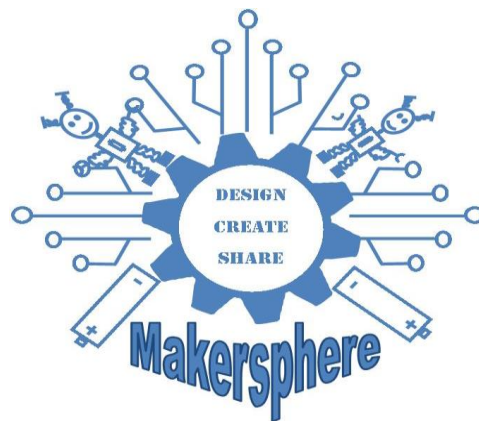
Next Thursday (5th May) there will be a spelling presentation for parents. Many of us struggle with spelling for many different reasons. In the workshop I will be explaining why some of us find it harder than others and outlining a number of different ways to help commit the spelling of words to memory. This will be helpful for parents of children who find it hard to learn their spellings but will also be useful for any adults you know who find it hard. You are welcome to invite people to come along and to bring older children with you. (Even if they do not attend our school). The session will start at 6:30pm and will last no longer than an hour.

All Hallows' Family Mass

Thank you very much to all our Year 6 parents who attended the All Hallows Family Mass on Tuesday. It was a lovely celebration of the school's 40th anniversary with the Archbishop.

Free Technology Fun Day (Makersphere)

On Saturday 18th June 2016 we are holding a fantastic free technology fun day here at St Mary Magdalen's called Makersphere, this is the first of its kind in the South Ribble Area. The idea behind this event is for people of all ages to come along and take part in workshops, watch the many and varied demonstrations and find out about local coding clubs and makerspaces. It will be suitable for both Primary and Secondary pupils but also adults as well, giving them the chance to experience and interact with the latest technology. We will have robots, arcade games, 3D printers, Laser cutters, the list keeps growing. Some of the workshops will include Minecraft, Codebug, Fizzbits, Snap Circuits, Microbit, Scratch, Wearable Tech (sewing with conductive thread) and What is a Raspberry Pi. The event runs from 10.30am till 5pm however you do not have to stay for the whole duration, workshops will be at various times, free tickets are available on Eventbrite at the following link <http://bit.ly/25V90s5> once you have registered your tickets will be emailed to you, then nearer to the event date a link will be emailed to you to enable you to book on any of the workshops. We are trying to promote the event all round the area so please pass on the information to any of your family or friends who you feel may be interested.



Dinners

We will be on week 3 of the menu rota next week.

Social Evening –Friday 13th May

Thank you to all who responded to our appeal on Tuesday to get your tickets for the fund raising event at St Teresa's Club. Our coffee and cake afternoon just before the holiday raised £431.08 for the church hall fund. Hopefully the event will enable us to handover a great cheque to Father Phil as the school's contribution to the work.

Lunchtime Assistant-3 days per wk

We are looking for someone to join our staff team at lunchtime in school. This would suit someone who enjoys being with children. A full induction is given and it pays the living wage per hour (approximately £7.90). The days we require are Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Parentmail

Please keep a look out for a letter coming home with your child regarding the new and improved Parentmail. There will be full instructions given as to the different links to follow. Thank you.

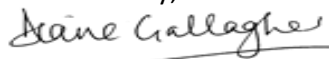
Sporting Success

Congratulations to the football team who finished joint top of the Penwortham Central Venue Football League. They achieved a total of 51 points (won 16, drew 3, lost 1). They will now represent Penwortham (along with PCP) at the South Ribble Football Finals Night. A total of eighteen children have represented the team and contributed to this fantastic achievement.

Well done Megan Fleming, Reagan Mitchell, Max Meredith, Noah Chappell, Ryan O'Doherty, Lewis Sampson, Isaac Delaney, Shaquille Costello, Dylan Bellis-Walker, Elena Domokos, George Hull, Ben Jolley, Luke Ray, William Roach, Tom Wright, Dominic Flanagan, Ollie Fleming and Adam Kay.

A big thank you to Phil for coaching the team and for taking the team to Priory. Mr Gaughan would also like to express his gratitude to all the parents and grandparents who helped out with lifts and supported the team throughout the season. What a season!

Yours sincerely,



Mrs D. Gallagher
Headteacher

**Happy
Birthday**



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Joel Domokos

Thomas Parkinson

Jack Elsdon

Mia Kevill



The Merit Winners



**Well done
everyone!**





Merit Winners!

Well done to...

Year R - Max Swindlehurst for being brilliant and coping with a week of changes and Christian Bly for always being ready to learn.

Year 1 - Harvey Elsdon for working hard in phonics and Maisie Warbrick for being a superstar.



Year 2 - Lauren Clarke for a great grasp of numbers and Thomas McGarry for excellent dividing.

Year 3 Victoria Micallef-Portelli & Felicity Tassiker-Quick both for a fantastic Ironman diary.



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Year 4 - Mason Upton for his positive attitude towards his learning and Isaac Whittle for consistently working hard and trying his best in all lessons.

Year 5 - Ruby Corbishley for such amazing questioning skills regarding deforestation and Camille Legaspi for bringing such a positive and happy attitude to class on the first week back.



Year 6 - Alexa Wilcock for working hard with a smile on her face and Reagan Mitchell demonstrating a positive, more mature attitude.



Diary Dates

Thursday 5 th May	6.30pm	Spelling Workshop
Friday 6 th May	8am	Rise and Shine Jog
Wk beg Mond 9 th May		Year 6 SAT's week
Monday 9 th May	7pm	Year 6 Parents Meeting for All Hallows at SMM
Tuesday 10 th May	2.45pm	Class Assembly – Year 1
Wednesday 11 th May	10am	KS1 Mass
Wednesday 11 th -Friday 13 th May		Residential for Y5 to Hothersall
Friday 13 th May	PM	Church fund raiser – 80/90's night St. Teresa's Club
Monday 16 th May -19 th May		Bikeability Y6
Monday 16 th May	5pm	Buildings, Health and Safety Committee Meeting
Tuesday 17 th May	2.30pm	RE Celebration
Saturday 21 st May	10.30 & 12noon	1 st Communion Celebrations – Y4
Monday 23 rd May	5pm	Curriculum and Pupils Committee Meeting
Tuesday 24 th May	All Day	Skipping Day
Tuesday 24 th May	2.45pm	Class Assembly – Year R
Friday 27 th May	3.15pm	Break up for half term
Wednesday 8 th June	8.40am	Back to School
Tuesday 14 th June	2.45pm	Class Assembly – Year 3
Friday 17 th June	11am	Fire Station Talk Y6 on Road Safety
Friday 17 th June	4-7pm	Summer Fair
Saturday 18 th June	10.30-5pm	Free Technology Fun Day at SMM
Tuesday 21 st June	All Day	School Games Day (previously named Sports Day)
Tuesday 28 th June	2.30pm	RE Celebration
Thursday 30 th June		Year 3 trip to Lancaster Museum
Thursday 30 th June		All Hallows – New Parents
Friday 1 st July		Year 6 Taster Day at All Hallows Day
Monday 4 th July	1pm	New Starter Afternoon
Tuesday 5 th July	1pm	New Starter Afternoon
Tuesday 5 th July	2.45pm	Class Assembly – Year 2
Wednesday 6 th July	1pm	New Starter Afternoon
Thursday 7 th July	7pm	New Parents Evening
Monday 11 th July		Year R – Trip to Farmer Ted's
Monday 11 th July	5pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Tuesday 12 th July		KS2 Rehearsal
Wednesday 13 th July		KS2 Production
Thursday 14 th July		KS2 Production
Friday 15 th July		School Reports
Thursday 21 st July	10am	Leavers Mass
Friday 22 nd July	9am	Leavers Assembly
Friday 22 nd July	2pm	Finish for Summer

Other letters going home this week

Letter to all regarding Parentmail – Hard copy – 5.5.2016