

# St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017

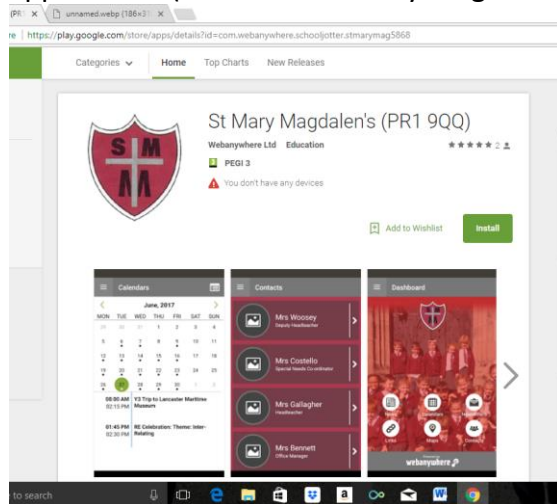
## Collective Worship

Theme: Standing up for what is right. We pray for strength from God to always stand up for what is right.

## St Mary Magdalen's School App

Our app is inked to our website but will send notifications to your phone when there is a newsletter uploaded, a diary date added or we have some news. Any information you absolutely need is sent via Parentmail. The app is merely for convenience and a way of sending you nice school news and activities without costing the school any money.

Just go to your app store and download the app for free (Search for St Mary Magdalen CPS)



There is a very similar looking app with the school logo and a dark background. This is our Parentmail app.

## 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.

## School Meals

We will be on week **3** of the menu when we return after half term. Please remember to return all completed menu forms for the new menu by **tomorrow**. The new menu will commence on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November on **week 2**.

## Sickness

We have a rise in absences this week due to chicken pox and a sickness bug. Please ensure that children remain at home for **48 hours** after sickness or diarrhoea.

## Signing in Late

The side gate is locked at 8.55 in the morning. If you arrive after that time you will need to enter through the main door and sign your child in. If it is before 9am this will not register as a late but we ask you to do this so that children do not get missed off registers if they are in cloakrooms etc when the register is being done. Please remember though that the bell goes at 8.50am and we actually start working at 9am. If you arrive after this time your child does not have time to settle and get organised and will be missing learning time. If you are regularly arriving through the front door you need to be setting your alarm 10 minutes earlier. So please **BE ON TIME AT 10 to 9!**

## Poppy Appeal

We will be selling poppies on our return to school from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November for the Royal British Legion in the lead up to Remembrance Sunday. If you would like to purchase one please send in a donation with your child. There are also friendship bracelets, rulers, wristbands, and reflectors all with a suggested donation of between 50p-£1.00.



## Absences

Please remember that all absences can be recorded on Parentmail and the office will then notify the relevant class teacher.

## Parents Evening

Don't forget that Parent's Evening is now live on Parentmail if you haven't already made your appointment can you please do this as soon as possible? Thank you.

## SVP 'Design a Christmas Card Competition'

Tomorrow, each child will bring home an entry form encouraging them to design a Christmas card. Local representatives of the SVP will judge the entries and the winning design will be printed out. This will be sent out to the local SVP community.

The design can be made use any material and must be A5 in size. The entries must be returned to school by Tuesday 7th November.



## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Most years we have a couple of parents who join their children along their faith journey and discover more about the Catholic Faith. Adults are received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass. There is a meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> November for anyone who is interested in doing this. Information leaflets can be sent home on request or collected from the information carousel in the school lobby.

## Half Term

School will close at the usual time of 3.15pm tomorrow for the half term holiday and we will re-open on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November at the usual time of 8.50am. I hope you all have a lovely holiday.

## Mr Gaughan's Football Update

The football team have completed the autumn fixtures in the Penwortham Central Venue Football League. They finished in a very respectable 4<sup>th</sup> position – a fantastic achievement considering the number of children making their debuts.

### Final League Table:

Team	Pts
Cop Lane	25
Middleforth	25
Howick	21
St Mary Magdalen's	18
Hoole St Michaels	13
Whitefield	10
Kingsfold	9
Broad oak A	9
Broad oak B	3
Ashbridge	0

A total of thirteen boys (from Y6, Y5 & Y4) have represented the team over the last three weeks - we are very proud of you all.

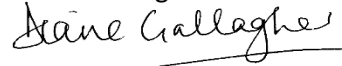
Well done Theo Hardacre, Ethan Hodges, Stanley Keller, Samuel Kolacz, Daniel Marland, Kamsi Nwagbologu, Edward Owens, Alfie Ramm, Isaac Roberts, Liam Straker, Alex Vokes, George Caney and Thomas McGarry.

A big thank you to Phil for coaching the team and for taking the boys to Priory. I would also like to express my gratitude to all the parents who helped out with lifts and, despite the wet conditions, supported the team throughout the competition.

Please note that Phil's Thursday Night Football Club resumes this week.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs D. Gallagher



Headteacher

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**James Bowes**  
**Honey Slater**  
**Jessica Hull**



**and to everyone who has a  
birthday over the holidays**







Well done to .....

**Merit Winners!**



Year R: Noah Briscoe for all the super hard work he is putting into his writing even extra work at home and Faye Roscoe for putting 100% into everything she does.

Year 1: Dontae Hayes for super writing about penguins and Charlotte Brown for always working hard and being a kind and helpful member of the class.



Year 2: Phoebe Kolacz for giving every task and activity 100% effort. Keep going your effort is amazing & Ava Cross for working so hard with reading, becoming more fluent and confident.

Year 3: Sophie Bowman for working conscientiously in all lessons and being a wonderful role model and Jacob Burns for always trying his best in lessons and answering well.



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Year 4: Megan Alty for putting in 100% effort into all her lessons and Zak Belshaw for being a super role model in everything he does in Year 4.

Year 5: Ethan Walker for showing great confidence with his reading and public speaking and Ellie Chester for super duper listening skills in all lessons.

Year 6: Esther Maduka for her exemplary behaviour and 'give it a go' attitude in class and Beth Nichol for being a brilliant role model at all times.



### DIARY DATES

Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October		PTFA Pumpkin Party
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	3.15pm	Finish for half term
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November		Return to school
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	5pm	Govs – Pay & Appraisal Committee Meeting
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	2.45pm	RE Celebration: Theme Belonging (Y2, 4 & 6)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	1-7pm	Parents Evening
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November		Dress down for an unwanted good quality toy.
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	2.15pm	Whole School Mass
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November		Dress down – Donations of Bottles for Bottle Bola
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	2.45pm	Year 4 Class Assembly
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December		Dress down – Donations of Chocolate for Choc-o-Bola
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December		Magical Christmas Evening
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	9am	Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	6pm	Nativity
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	6pm	Nativity
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	Carol Service
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	6.30pm	Carol Service
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	2.30pm	Carols around the tree
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	3.15pm	School closes for Christmas
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January		School re-opens
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	AM	School Nurse – Vision, height & weight YR&6
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	5pm	Govs SEC Committee Meeting
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	2.45pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	All Day	Year 5 Taster Day – All Hallows
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	5pm	Govs – Resources Committee Meeting
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	2.45pm	RE Celebration: Theme Community (Y1, 3 & 5)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	3.15pm	School closes for half term
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February		School re-opens
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	4.30pm	Admissions Committee Meeting
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	5pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	10-11am	Quiz Club Competition – Queen’s Drive
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	2.45pm	Year R Class Assembly
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February		Celebration of Friendship

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## DIARY DATES

Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	2.45pm	Year 6 Class Assembly
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	9-11am	Mother's Day Gifts
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	2.45pm	RE Celebration Theme: Relating (Y2 & 4)
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	1-7pm	Parent's Evening
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	2.45pm	Year 5 Class Assembly
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	2.45pm	Year 4 Class Assembly
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	9am	Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	3.15pm	School Closes for Easter
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April		School re-opens
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	5pm	Resources Committee Meeting
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	2.45pm	RE Celebration – Theme: Giving (Y1, 3 & 5)
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May		Year 6 All Hallows Parent's Meeting
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	2.45pm	Year 3 Class Assembly
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	8am	Rise and Shine Jog
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	5pm	Govs SEC Committee Meeting
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> May		SAT's week
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	2.45pm	RE Celebration Theme: Serving (Y2 & 4)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	3.15pm	Finish half term
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June – Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> June		Residential trip to Borwick Hall
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June		School re-opens
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30am	Celebration Mass
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	2.45pm	Year 2 Class Assembly
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	2.45pm	Year R Class Assembly
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June – Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> June		Y6 Bikeability
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	All Day	School Games Day
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	2.45pm	RE Celebration Theme: Inter-Relating
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	All Day	Year 6 Taster Day – All Hallows
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	5pm	Full Governing Body Meeting
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm	KS2 Production
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm	KS2 Production
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm	Leavers Mass- whole school
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm	Whole School Final Assembly
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9.15am	Leavers Assembly
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	3.15pm	School closes for summer