Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019

# St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through

## **Worship Reflections**

People who inspire us, quite often, are our role models. We are all different so look for different things in the people we choose as our role models. It is important to choose a good role model. We must also think carefully about the way we choose to behave; it is likely you will be someone's role model one day – if you are not already!

God Our Father

Through Jesus' example, help us to live lives that matter, lives that make a difference to others and to our world.

Help others be inspired by the generosity of our actions or the kindness in our words.

Amen

#### **School Meals**

We will be on **Week 2** of the school menu next week.

#### **PTFA** Meeting

There will be a PFTA Meeting on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm and all are welcome to join us.

## Donations of garden tools

If anyone has any old garden tools that they no longer require could you please donate them to Becky? Thank you.

> People who are both successful and happy have one predictable quality: a commitment to commitment. - Dr. Greg Kushnick

In today's media we hear a lot of talk about resilience. Have you ever stopped to think what that means? For me it is the ability to cope with disappointments and persevere. We all want our children to be happy, (it is a natural instinct) so it is hard to watch our children struggle with things. It can be very easy to move mountains to change children's perspectives on things and to alter things to make life easier for them. The challenge for parents (and grandparents!) is to know when it would be better to allow the child to struggle with something, to persevere, to practice, until they conquer something. This achievement will make the child feel more successful in the end. Achieving is vital to everyone's wellbeing, children and adults alike.

On our training day we watched a Youtube video called Austin's Butterfly. Have a look here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqh1MRWZj</u> <u>ms</u> It is very short and worth a watch. See what Austin achieves in a very short time frame because he is resilient enough to take positive criticism. NB You do need to ignore all the continuity errors in the film.

At St Mary Magdalen's we are always trying to help the children move forward in every aspects of their learning and their life skills. This means giving them feedback in a positive way. Rather than telling them they are the best when they are not, that they deserved to win when they didn't, that they can skip a club because they can't be bothered, that something is good enough when they haven't made much effort it is better to let them know how to improve. As a parent it is harder but we will be really helping our children if we do and they will thanks us for it eventually.

Mrs Gallagher

## All Hallows Transition Evening

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm there will be a transition evening at All Hallows for all Year 5 & 6.

#### MacMillan Coffee Morning

Please note that our MacMillan Coffee Morning will now be on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September in the afternoon from 1.30-3.30pm. Thank you.

#### **Updated Details**

Please remember if you have changed your mobile phone or address over the summer holidays, can you please confirm them to the office so we can keep your details up to date? Thank you.

### **New Morning Routine**

Thank you for your support in getting the children into school a little earlier so that they can get on with some early bird work.

## **Open Afternoon**

If you know anyone with children due to start school in September 2020 please let them know that our Open Afternoon is from 1p-7pm on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Flu Vaccination Forms**

The flu vaccination forms have been sent home with your child. Can you please complete and return them by 17<sup>th</sup> September by the latest? Thank you.