



St Mary Magdalen's

Newsletter

9th September 2022

WORSHIP REFLECTION



Celebrating our differences can help to unite and educate us. It can give us a chance to understand and support those who are different from us.



Prayer

God our Father,

Thank you for making us all unique and special. We know we are your most special treasures. Help us when we forget to consider other people's needs. Guide us so that we can learn from our mistakes and treat each other with dignity and respect. As we grow up we ask that you give us strength to challenge people when they don't value others. Amen.



I have spent this week learning – learning about the school, our pupils, staff and even families! I have learnt so far that this is the most welcoming school I have ever visited and I am so blessed to be here; I have learnt that our pupils are incredibly kind and love their school and I have learnt that our staff deeply love the school and our pupils. It is going to take me a little while, but I am determined that I will know every child's name as soon as possible. Thank you for the smiles and 'hellos' at the gates – I feel like I have come home.

I hope that you like this 'new look' newsletter – we have added a calendar on Page 2 and have a new focus for attendance. Good attendance and excellent punctuality are vital to ensure all pupils have the same opportunities to excel in every aspect of school life.

Page 2 also includes a class photograph – they all look very smart in new uniforms! For PE and playground safety, please can I ask that all children with earrings wear small plain studs for school.

On Monday, I was thrilled to meet all of our pupils in assembly and I shared the story on the second page of this newsletter. Please do read it and talk with your child. I hope that I will '*make a difference*' in this wonderful school.

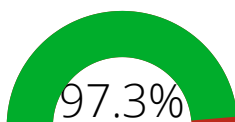
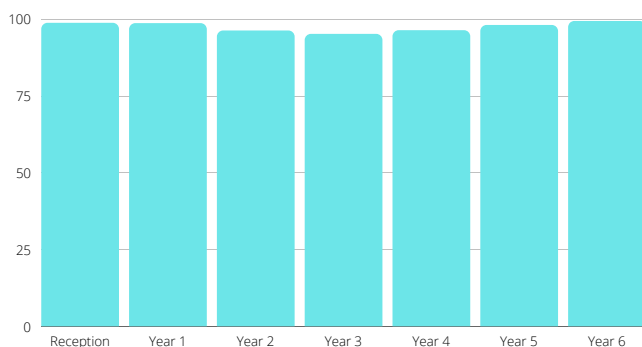
BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Mitchell R
Cleo C



Can all sickness please be reported on Parentmail/telephone. Staff no longer monitor their emails. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK



AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR

28/9 6pm Y5/6 Parents' meeting with All Hallows

26/9 Termly Toolkit (via Teams)

26/9 3:30pm Y5 Termly Toolkit (& also via Teams)

27/9 Girls' Football competition

5-7/10 Y5 to Castlerigg

17/10 Y6 Taster Day - All Hallows

We have remembered the incredible life of Queen Elizabeth II today in assembly. Next week, we will celebrate her life in every class. We will also open a Book of Condolence for our school community.

SCHOOL MEALS

Week 2 next week

PARENTMAIL

Please pay for school dinners in advance.



FOODBANK

Friday 9:30 - 12:00
Penwortham Community Centre

FOODBANK COLLECTION...

.. please 'pop' a tin into the collection in the School Office, if you are able to do so.

BEHAVIOUR FOCUS: 'making a difference'.

A man was walking along a deserted beach at sunset. As he walked he could see a young boy in the distance, as he drew nearer he noticed that the boy kept bending down, picking something up and throwing it into the water. Time and again he kept hurling things into the ocean. As the man approached even closer, he was able to see that the boy was picking up starfish that had been washed up on the beach and, one at a time he was throwing them back into the water.

In assembly, children suggested that if we all make a small difference to someone, we will make a big difference together. This applies to so much of our lives at the moment - through the foodbank, environmentally or even sharing a smile.

