



St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

7th October 2022

REFLECTION

There will be many times in our lives when we face competition. Sometimes we may enjoy this and do well, other times we may find it more challenging. It's important for us to remember to help and support each other as we face our different challenges!

God our Father,
Let me play well, but fairly. Let the competition make me strong, but never an enemy. Stop me celebrating when others do not do well. See me when I bend to help my opponent up. If I know victory, allow me to be happy. If I lose, keep me from envy. Remind me that sports are just games. Help me to learn something that matters once the game is over. Most of all, help me to be a good example to other children. Amen.
Amen.



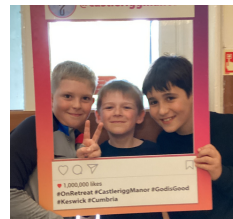
BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Jacob M
Maicey F
Coby V-M



MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you for your support with our coffee morning. The total amount raised including gift aid was an amazing £536.46. Thank you!

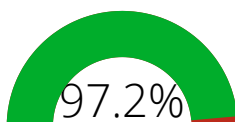
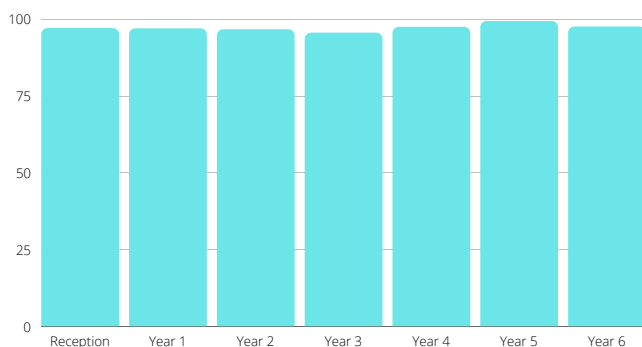


This week, Year 5 had a 3-day retreat to Castlerigg Manor, Keswick and were an absolute delight. They slept, they ate, they smiled and joined in with every activity and I was very, very proud! What a delightful group of young people! A huge thank you is due to Mr Campbell for organising the residential trip; Becky & Mrs Leung for their precious time and encouragement; and also to Mrs Doherty, our Chair of Governors who came along to support us too. Father Ian joined us on Thursday evening for the mass. There was a real sense of the St Mary Mags' community in Cumbria!

We are starting to finalise dates for the rest of the term - so please do keep an eye on the dates on page 2 - we have added parents' afternoon/evening; open afternoon and some Christmas events this week. We will do as much as we can to give everyone as much notice as we can. More details for each event will be released closer to the date.

Finally an amazing amount was raised last Friday for MacMillan - a huge thank you to all involved! On the final page, we have included a Christian Aid treasure hunt in New Longton - if the weather is dry and you want to wrap up warm, take a walk and appreciate the beautiful colours around at this time of the year. The trees are absolutely stunning! Have a good weekend.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK



AUTUMN TERM CALENDAR

11/10 6:30 PTFA Meeting - all welcome
17/10 Y6 Taster Day - All Hallows
17/10 9-10am Parent Breakfast Workshop Rec/Y1 (Phonics/Handwriting)
20/10 PTFA School Disco
21/10 Brighten up for CAFOD (Mini-Vinnies) support foodbank
07/11 After School Clubs start
07/11 Open Afternoon 1.30-6pm
14/11 Parents' Afternoon/Eve
22/11 NHS Y6 Dental Visit
5/12 9-10am R,Y1,Y2 Christmas Crafts
5/12 2pm KS1 Nativity
6/12 6pm KS1 Nativity
8/12 9-10am Y3, Y4 Christmas Crafts
9/12 9-10am Y5, Y6 Christmas Crafts
13/12 6pm Christmas Carol Concert (Church)

BEHAVIOUR FOCUS: 'Helping Others'.

In the world that we live in, it can be very easy to ignore the needs of others as we are very busy with our own lives. This is true on the playground too when we want to continue playing with our friends!

Sometimes just checking that our friends or neighbours are ok can have a huge impact.

One of our parents has asked if we can be a collection point for any 'previously loved' coats that you no longer have a need for. These coats will be distributed to the homeless and vulnerable in the local area. Please do check your cupboards! Coats can be left in the school foyer and will be collected on 20th October.

Small acts of kindness and helping others, collectively can have a huge impact.

'Pay it forward' is a really interesting concept that children manage daily - an act of kindness for someone else, as they may be in need, in the future.



SCHOOL MEALS

Week 3 next week

PARENTMAIL

Please pay for school dinners in advance.

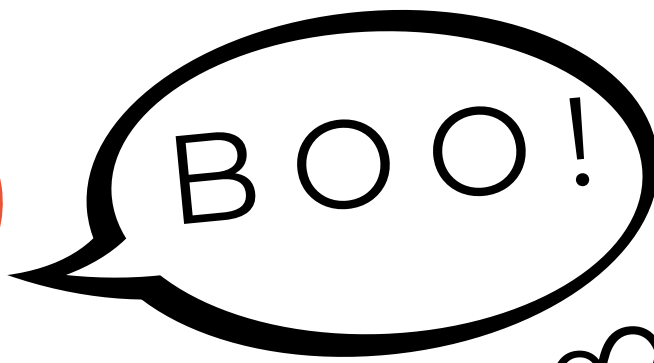


FOODBANK

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.



IT'S THE **Spooky** SCHOOL
PUMPKIN

 **DISCO**  

£2.50 per child
£ £6 for family of three
Payment in advance or on the door

Trick **TREAT?**
DRINKS 30-70p P
SW TS -£0 P1
HOT DOGS £1
HALLOW N TOYS -£ 30 P2

Thursday, 20th October

* INFANTS: 6.15 -7.15PM JUNIORS: 7.30-8.30PM

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School



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New Longton Village Walking Treasure Hunt

for Christian Aid's Appeal: Water for Africa -
or wells, pumps and rehydration kits for the drought in East Africa
where thousands of children, women and men are in danger of starvation.

Start and finish: All Saints' Church, New Longton PR4 4LN

Find the notice board in the Church grounds.

Q What time is the Church Service on a Wednesday?

Turn right out of All Saints' Church grounds and proceed along Station Road

1st road on left - Dickson Hey Question?

1st road on right - Spinney Close

Q What was once an area of trees and shrubs?

2nd on right - Royalty Lane Question?

2nd on left - Shaftesbury Avenue Question?

What could you buy to enjoy from the Newsagent's? Ice Cream, cold drinks

3rd on right - The Cedars

Q Which country do these impressive trees call to mind?

Turn right into Boundary Close.

Between which two communities would you once have crossed the boundary here?

Follow down Boundary Close and through the gate onto the Village Hall grounds. Continue ahead
past the Village Hall, to the right of the Nursery and along the field to the opening at the far end.

Turn left and proceed along the track.

Q What is the name of the first house on the left?

Follow the track ahead until you pass by a gate and reach Thornton Grange estate.

Turn left onto Rawstorne Crescent.