



St Mary Magdalen's

Newsletter



17th March 2023

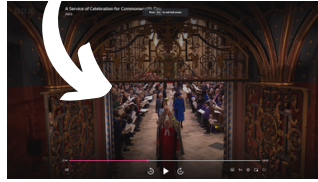
REFLECTION

Opinions and thoughts can evolve over time and we may want older books and words to change to reflect this. There may also be times that we can use the past and the words in it as opportunities to learn.

Most Gracious Heavenly Father,

Help us to show compassion to the older people in our families, our communities and the world. Let us value their stories, anecdotes and memories. Help us be tolerant to our differences of how we act and speak due to our different life experiences. Guide us to remember ways to offer assistance when needed. May we always remember to pause and listen when they are speaking. They have years of wisdom. They need to be heard.

In Jesus' name, AMEN.



Firstly today, I would like to apologise to all parents for the late notice regarding the Yoga day - the date had been changed by South Ribble and we really didn't want our children to miss out - we know this was very last minute so we are very sorry! We will always try to ensure that parents are given 48hrs notice for any changes.

A huge thank you to our PTFA volunteers who came to school this morning to help with the Mothering Sunday gifts - there are going to be some very happy grown-ups on Sunday! To all who support these really important parts of our school life and community - thank you! This afternoon our Reception class held an afternoon tea for their special grown-up which was lovely! I had a free massage, juice and cake! I'm feeling very spoilt!



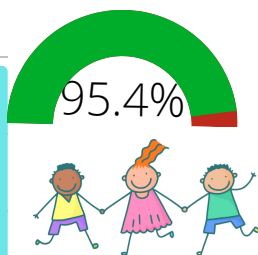
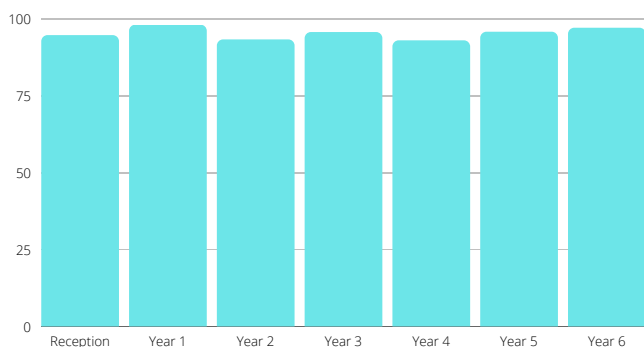
BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Harry B, Raphael H & Charlie H.



It seems only right today, they I let the photographs do the majority of the talking. On Monday, I accompanied 8 pupils and Mrs Edmondson to London for those best school event I have ever been involved in. Maisy, Artur, Hannah, James, Jack, Eirwen, Paige and Finn were an absolute credit to their families and our school. We met at 7:40 and took the train, then tube - heading to the Houses of Parliament where the team of South Ribble MP, Katherine Fletcher, gave us a very warm welcome. We had an amazing tour around the House of Commons and the House of Lords. After lunch in the Houses of Parliament, we were accompanied over to Westminster Abbey for the Commonwealth Service. In our front row seats, we watched the most fantastic Rwandan dancers, Jamaican saxophonist, Indian singers and a Cyrpiate choir, as well as members of the Royal family. It was a celebration of Youth and the King's message was very much of striving to work together for a better world. Afterwards we saw Buckingham Palace, and visited Trafalgar Square, then headed for pizza before returning home. The day was non-stop but I felt so very, very proud of our school and our place in the world. A huge thank you to Mrs Edmondson! The service is available on the BBC iPlayer and there are many photos on our website ! Wishing you all a very Happy Mothering Sunday!

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK



SCHOOL MEALS

Week 2 of the menu next week.

FOODBANK

Friday 9:30 – 12:00
Penwortham Community Centre



Our Wellbeing Ambassador, Olive, has introduced 'Reflection of the Week' in each KS2 class. These are our winners this week:

I've only got one word to describe my week, brilliant! It was my birthday last week and I am so grateful. My favourite quote is: Don't cry that it is over, but smile because it happened! Charlotte Year 6

I liked sketching a magpi and doing the Mother's day cards. I love school so much! Sadie

Reminder:

ALL FAMILIES AND CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO MASS EVERY SUNDAY IN OUR CHURCH AT 11AM. For Y4 parents, don't forget to 'register' attendance at the back of church!

DON'T FORGET

20/3 parents Evening
24/3 Year 5 Show Case Assembly
31/3 Year 4 Show Case Assembly
4/4 PTFA Bingo in school
19/5 Rise and Shine Jog
8/6 PTFA Disco
29/6 Sports Day
7/7 Summer Fair
13/7 Year 6 Leavers Production



Reminder:

Next week, we start our 'Living Streets' Walk to School month – it is also SUSTRANS Big Walk and Wheel fortnight so we are joining the 2 programmes together. At registration every morning, pupils will be asked how they have travelled to school. Prizes can be won for the school!

Please help us to be more healthier and safe – even if you can only walk/cycle/scoot once a week!



Meet the Easter Bunny!

11am-2pm Saturday 8th April

In support of

St Catherine's
hospice care



Come along
to say hello
and take a
selfie with
the Easter
Bunny

Toy, book and sweet stalls –
Teddy and Easter egg tombola

Liverpool Road, Penwortham –
near the Spar and Lime Bar



Join us at 1pm on
SATURDAY 25TH MARCH 2023
 @
 St Oswald's Catholic Church, Longton
 For an afternoon of walking, community spirit and celebration Youth Mass.

CAFOD BIG LENT COMMUNITY SPONSORED WALK SATURDAY 25TH MARCH 2023

As part of our Lent Appeal 2023, we have organised with the local parishes and feeder primary schools of St Teresa's, St Mary Magdalen's, St Oswald's and Our Lady and St Gerard's, a sponsored community walk. This walk will be to support the work of CAFOD and their Lent appeal, as well as the emergency work they are doing in Turkey and Syria following the devastating earthquake.

Big Lent Walks are taking place right across England and Wales this Lent with the challenge of walking 200km throughout the 40 days of Lent. However, we think we can manage this in one big community walk.

To find out more about the work of CAFOD visit their website: <https://cafod.org.uk/>

Pupils, their families and friends, and parishioners are all invited to join us for our community walk. The 11km walk will begin at St Oswald's Church, Longton, we will then walk to St Teresa's Church where they will provide some light refreshments, and we will then walk back to St Oswald's. Our community event will end with a celebration Youth Mass at St Oswald's at 5pm. This Youth Mass will involve our pupils taking leading roles in the liturgy and the music. Following the Mass there will be pizza served in St Oswald's Primary school to celebrate all that we have achieved that afternoon as a community.

We are suggesting a £5 donation per person as an entry fee, which will go to CAFOD but please use the sponsor form attached to collect more sponsorship for the walk. The £5 entry fee and any other donations to our CAFOD Lent Appeal can be paid via our online donation page:

<https://cafod.enthouse.com/pf/all-hallows-chaplain>

This is the second time organising this community event and last year was a great success. It will be great to be able to gather as a community for a fantastic cause once again. We look forward to seeing you there.

Below is the outline of the afternoon's walk, you are more than welcome to join us for all or part of the walk or the Mass.

1pm: Gather at St Oswald's Church (parking is available)

1:15pm: Set off to St Teresa's Church

Approx. 2:45pm: Arrive at St Teresa's (20 minute stop for light refreshments).

Approx. 4:30pm: Arrive at St Oswald's.

5pm: Youth Mass.

6pm: Pizza in St Oswald's School.

Please complete the google form (the link is below) if you plan to attend, and please indicate if you will be walking as a family or if your child will be joining a school group of pupils and staff. This will help us to have an idea of how many to expect and cater for. Please register via this google form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeozqAUVFoV9MSvMW9S9rScPQ000UndAz_RKkVrHyAdRP--cg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Yours sincerely,

Kate Wilkinson
 All Hallows' School Chaplain



PENWORTHAM IN BLOOM

Calling all gardening enthusiasts!

Penwortham in Bloom 2023 Launch Event

Come along and find out more about the competition and meet Stephen Lowe (BBC Radio Lancashire & Royal Horticultural Judge) and Michael Cookson (Newgate Nurseries).

Thursday 23rd March 2023 at 6pm

Penwortham Community Centre, Kingsfold Drive, Penwortham

Refreshments available. Free entry. Quiz & raffle.

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