



# St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Junior School

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**Value of the Week:**  
*Joy*

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*'...You are like light for the whole world...'*  
*Matthew 5*

## ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY



### Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
was 95%	9 Days from School	50 Lessons
was 90%	19 Days from School	100 Lessons
was 85%	29 Days from School	150 Lessons
was 80%	38 Days from School	200 Lessons
was 75%	48 Days from School	250 Lessons

**Getting Your Child to School Really Matters**

## Award Winners

Congratulations to all our award winners this week:-

Class	Certificate of Achievement	Disciple of the Week *	Growth Mindset Award	Attendance Figure
3CF				97%
3GT	Blu	John	Daphne	97.2%
3ME	Brody			96.7%
3ST	Isla	Lottie	Poppy	96.1%
4CD	Gracie	Ivey	Tyler	93%
4HW	Franki	Paul	Max	95.7%
4PS	Sophie	William	Tom	93.7%
4SC	Sophia	Archie	Lawrence	93.7%
5JP	Jamie W	Remi	Olivia	99.4%
5KN	Jake C	Isla	Sankeerth	97.2%
5MW	Logan	Alex E	Sydney	97.2%
5AH	Heidi	Lacey	Abbie	92.7%
6AC	Olivia	Ava D	Michael	96.7%
6JK	Cody	Paula	Amelia B	98.6%
6LT	Harry G	Heidi	Joseph	96%
6SA	Joseph	Gabrielle	Thomas	93.3%

Attendance for the whole school is 95.9%

Dinnertime winners:3CF,4SC,5JP,6LT

## Golden Ticket Initiative

Congratulations to all our Golden Ticket winners who have gone above and beyond this week-enjoy your hot chocolate!

This week's winners are:-

Year 4 - Adon for his lovely charity idea of selling snacks to raise money and Anna for picking up litter outside of school.

Year 5- Alex, Alvina,Amelia,Charlie,Kitty,Logan, Isabella, Nyah, Shreya, Sydney-for writing a beautiful Collective

Worship to commemorate the life of Olivia Pratt Korbelt

Year 6 - Amelia F for completing a charity walk in aid of MIND charity Bella H for bringing in some donations to go to the food bank

### Times Table Leaderboard

	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Highest number of minutes on TTRS	Karthik	William	Diya	Lily
Class with the best engagement	3CF	4PS	5MW	6LT
Most Improved	Isla	Gracie-Alana	Amy	Teagan
<b>TTRS Class Champions</b>	3CF - Sebastian 3ST - Max 3GT - Khloe 3ME - Bella	4PS - Jack 4HW - Archie 4CD - Timothy 4SC - Oscar	5AH - Diya 5MW - Alvina 5KN - Brodie 5JP - Joseph	6AC - Nathaniel 6SA - Lakshit 6LT - Harry M 6JK - Lucas

### HOUSE POINTS -

	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	TOTAL
St Andrew	201	232	303	298	1034
St David	233	211	312	286	1042
St George	212	222	325	277	1036
St Patrick	241	209	301	302	1053

## Gallery

Thank you to all who joined us for today's *Coffee Morning*. We hope you enjoyed the entertainment.

## Congratulations!

Milo, Oscar, Archie, and Thomas from Year 4,  
They represent Huyton Boca Juniors, and on Saturday they triumphed 5-0 at the Mini World  
Cup Final held at Finch Farm.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to the following children who are celebrating their birthday this week and next week whilst we are on half term. We hope you enjoy your special day!

### Year 3:

Kayden - 3GT  
Blake - 3ST

### Year 4:

Luca - 4CD  
Sophia - 4SC

### Year 5:

Amy - 5MW  
Vincent - 5MW  
Lacey-Mae- 5AH  
Elijah - 5JP  
Olivia - 5JP  
Jamie - 5JP

### Year 6:

Harley - 6LT  
Harry - 6LT  
Lucas - 6SA  
Ava - 6SA  
Maddison - 6SA

## Children's Mental Health Week



This week the children have been discussing ways to promote positive Mental Health.

Congratulations to Gabrielle (Year 6) on organising 'Be Yourself Day' and thank you to all families for your generous donations.





## Sport News

The boys played in the Year 5 EFC Football Festival. The boys were undefeated in the group stages and progressed through to the final. In a very tight and anxious final they won the match through penalties. Well done to every boy who played their role in their victory at the tournament. The boys now go on to play in the next round which will be the Merseyside finals.



Our boys and girls football teams went to LFC Academy on Wednesday to try to win a place in the Premier League finals at Elland Road later in the year. The girls did really well considering most of them were from Y5 and really enjoyed their experience, growing into the competition and managing to win their final game.

The boys however, were even closer. They got to the final but were eventually beaten 2-1 by a very contentious goal! Well done to all the children involved who despite not winning, really learnt a lot and played some very good football.



## Catholic Schools' Inspection

This week our school has been inspected by the Catholic School's Inspectorate. We would like to thank all parents for your support of the school as part of the inspection which, as always, is very much appreciated. As soon as the report becomes available, we will e mail a copy out to parents

## Church News

### Children's Church at Sunday 10am Mass.

Tea & coffee served after Sunday 10am Mass in the Parish centre - all welcome!



**Dovecot Food Club next to Sayers:** Mondays 10am to 1pm. Families can receive £15 worth of food for £5. Food can be dropped off during these times. Please note the following items are desperately needed: **Tea bags, coffee, tinned beans, pasta, tinned tomatoes, tuna, spaghetti, biscuits, crisps. Nappies 4/5, toothpaste, soap, shower gel, shampoo, toilet rolls.** Donations are welcomed in church before or after Saturday and Sunday Masses or can be left in the school entrance.



**A group of volunteers from our school and parish community** go into the city centre on a Tuesday evening to take food, hot drinks and helpful items to the Homeless men and women of our city. Any offerings will be gratefully received. Please leave the school office for Miss Finnegan.

## Safer Internet Day 2023 is Here! - Safer Internet

It's finally here, as you're reading this internet safety day will be going on throughout the world. This year's Safer Internet Day is taking place around the theme of 'Want to Talk About it? Making space for conversations about life online'. This awareness day has its roots in the SafeBorders project, and in the UK is promoted through the UK Safer Internet Centre. The event has been ongoing since 2004 and each year the project aims to raise awareness of the digital environment, and to urge action on making it a better environment for young people. The day is currently celebrated in 200 countries and unites millions of users throughout the world. This year, the UK Safer Internet Centre is asking the country's youth three questions 'What issues really matter to children and young people?', 'what changes do they want to see?' and 'how can we all work together to advocate for them moving forward?'. Check out the UK Safer



Internet Centre site for videos, resources, and to register yourself as a supporter of the Safer Internet Day 2023. You can find all that and more by following the link below:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023>

### Thursday Masses

As part of their Holy Communion preparation 4PS took part in a treasure hunt in church. Both 4SC and 3ST also took part in the Thursday mass

### LiveSimply Award for schools

We are working towards achieving the LiveSimply award. It is an opportunity to respond to Pope Francis' invitation in Laudato Si' to "work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us". #smmjatholiclife #smmjLiveSimply



The Laudato Si is a letter from Pope Francis to everyone on the planet urging all of us to protect the earth; our common home. The earth is God's gift to us, full of beauty and wonder, where the fruits of the earth belong to everyone.

This week, the children made a class pledge to take action on caring for creation and the environment.

### Extra-Curricular Timetable

We have a wide range of extra-curricular activities for our children to participate in during the Spring Term. Please see the timetable below:-

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
YEAR 3	Before School					
	Lunchtime					
	After School	Athletics	Tennis		Rebound Dance	
YEAR 4	Before School					
	Lunchtime					
	After School	Basketball			Netball	Rebound Dance
YEAR 5	Before School					Girls Football
	Lunchtime					
	After School	Boxing				
YEAR 6	Before School	Intra School Football Comp	Table Tennis	Bleep Test	Table Tennis	Girls Football
	Lunchtime					
	After School	Boxing				

## Spring Term Dates for Diary

### FEBRUARY

21<sup>st</sup> February (TUESDAY)-Pupils return to school after the half term holiday  
Merseyside Violence Reduction Team in school to work with pupils

22<sup>nd</sup> February - Merseyside Violence Reduction Team in school to work with pupils

23<sup>rd</sup> February-Safer Internet Day

### MARCH

1<sup>st</sup> March-St David's Feast Day-St David's House Team have the option to attend school wearing yellow/ a splash of Yellow

CLC in school to work with the pupils

Parent Forum (6pm)

2<sup>nd</sup> March-World Book Day

CLC in school to work with pupils

3<sup>rd</sup> March-SEND Coffee Morning

Week Beginning 6<sup>th</sup> March-Assessment Week

8<sup>th</sup> March- CLC in school to work with pupils

Governors' Curriculum Meeting

9<sup>th</sup> March- CLC in school to work with pupils

Week Beginning 13<sup>th</sup> March-British Science Week

13<sup>th</sup> March-Science Day in school

17<sup>th</sup> March- St Patrick's Feast Day-St Patrick's House Team have the option to attend school wearing green/ a splash of green.

20<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> March-Assertive Mentoring Conversations (individual class teachers to confirm a time)

20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> March-Year 5 Residential Visit to Winmarleigh Hall

29<sup>th</sup> March-Full Governors' Meeting

31<sup>st</sup> March-Coffee Morning

### APRIL

4<sup>th</sup> April-PTA Easter Event

5<sup>th</sup> April-Easter Talent Show

6<sup>th</sup> April-Easter Variety Showcase

The Greatest Week Assembly

Break Up for Easter Holiday

17<sup>th</sup> April-Return to school for the Summer Term

**Today we break up for the half term holiday. The children will return to school on TUESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> February**