



St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Junior School

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Value of the Week
Compassion

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'Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you'
Ephesians 4:32

Recognition Board

Congratulations to Thomas, Martha and Olivia who have all successfully auditioned for a production of Annie which will take place at the Liverpool



Attendance Highlight

<u>CLASS IN SCHOOL WITH THE FEWEST MISSED DAYS</u>	<u>MOST IMPROVED CLASS THIS WEEK</u>	<u>HIGHEST ATTENDING YEAR GROUP IN SCHOOL THIS WEEK</u>		<u>CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF PUPILS WHOSE ATTENDANCE (SINCE THE START OF THE YEAR HITS OUR SCHOOL TARGET (97%))</u>	<u>WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE</u>
<u>CLASS</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>YEAR GROUP</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	
<u>4KH</u>	<u>6AC</u>	<u>Year 5</u>	<u>97.3%</u>	<u>4KH</u>	<u>96.3%</u>

As a rough guide, the impact of missing school is as follows:-

Equates to	ATTENDANCE	
0 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE (in a school year)	0 missed lessons	PERFECTION
4 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE(in a school year)	20 missed lessons	IMPRESSIVE
7 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE (in a school year)	35 missed lessons	GOOD
9 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE (in a school year)	45 missed lessons	NEARLY THERE
11 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE (in a school year)	55 missed lessons	NEEDS TO IMPROVE
19 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE(in a school year)	95 missed lessons	SERIOUS CONCERNS
29 SCHOOL DAYS ABSENCE (in a school year)	145	GRAVE CONCERNS

Please checkout the latest guidance on Educational Penalty Notices via our website link below.

[Educational Penalty Notice](#)

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Year 6 children will be hosting a MacMillian Coffee morning on Friday 27th September at 9am. We would love for as many of you as possible to come along and enjoy some tea, coffee and cake whilst being entertained by our Year 6 children.

To support this, we would really appreciate any donations of cakes that have been shop bought. Many thanks in advance for this.

SPORT NEWS

SHINE

On Monday (23rd September), our school will be hosting an inter-school cross country event in school.

Our Year 6 footballers will also be in action next week as they take part in a Huyton Boys League match at Prescott School.

Anti-Bullying email address

As a school we are keen to ensure that every child's experience is a positive one. If any child feels that they are encountering difficulties with other children, they should alert school using the following email address:-

anti-bullying@smmj.org.uk

A member of the Pastoral team will regularly check these emails.

Personal Development Curriculum

This week has been H week in school (HEALTH AND WELLBEING). The children have been focussing upon health, exercise and diet.

Safety
Health and Wellbeing
Independence
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Equality and Diversity

BIKEABILITY

This week, a group of our Year 5 pupils have had the opportunity to take part in 'Bikeability' sessions. These sessions assist the children in staying safe whilst riding their bike. An enjoyable and informative time was had by all!



ADVANCED WARNING-SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH DAY

School Photograph Day will take place on Monday 8th October.

Parent/Carer Information Session

Autumn: Wednesday 2nd October 2024 - 4pm - 4.45pm

The link to access this session will be shared here, on the newsletter, one week before the event for you to share. As a reminder, this session (and all our virtual sessions) will be recorded and will be subsequently shared with parents.



High School Admissions

For our Year 6 parents, applications for high school are now open and will close on **31st October 2024**. Application to high school should be made via the council that you reside in.

Details will be available on the council website.

Should any parent require any support in completing the high school admission form, please do not hesitate to get in touch with school and a member of our team will assist you.

Mobile Phones

Please note that, unless a Mobile Phone contract has been signed (by the parent and child) and returned to school (for the attention of Mrs Culley), mobile phones will not be allowed in school. Mobile phones will be confiscated should a child without a contract bring one into school. Should this happen, the phone will be returned to a parent/responsible adult at the end of the day. Should parents wish their child to bring a phone into school (because their child is walking home/going home with someone different), please request a contract from Mrs Culley or your child's class teacher.

Communication

If any parent has a question/concern/suggestion that they would like to bring to our attention, they should raise it via the class teacher in the first instance. If it is something that the class teacher will be unable to solve, please do not hesitate to contact your Year Group Head, Year 6-Mr Arnold (6SA), Year 5-Mr Hurst (5AH), Year 4-Miss Howell (4KH), Year 3-Miss Finnegan (3CF) or a member of the Senior Leadership Team (Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Culley, Mrs Ambrose, Mr Pimblett). The SLT email is slt@smmj.org.uk

We ask that, out of courtesy to staff, emails are only scheduled to arrive between 8am and 6pm (Monday-Friday only). Weekend/holiday emails should not be sent to any member of staff.

AUTUMN TERM DATES FOR DIARY

Dates are subject to change in certain circumstances-in the case of changes, we will endeavour to give parents as much notice as possible.

Dates may also be added

September

25th Full Governors' Meeting

27th MacMillan Coffee Morning in the school hall 9.30-10.30am

October

4th-Theatre Café (priority to go to Year 6 before other year groups are selected)

Week beginning 7th October-Year 3 Child Centred Reviews (for parents of pupils with SEND)

8th-14th - Book Fair in School

8th School Photograph Day

Week Beginning 14th-Year 4 Child Centred Reviews (for parents of pupils with SEND)

Week Beginning 21st-Year 5 Child Centred Reviews (for parents of pupils with SEND)

18th St Margaret Mary Mass

22nd Year 4 Harvest Assembly (1.30pm)

23rd Year 4 Harvest Assembly (1.30pm)

25th School closes for the half term holiday

31st Closing Date for Secondary School Applications

November

4th-Return to school following half term holiday

Week Beginning 4th-Year 6 Swimming (Monday - Thursday for 2 weeks)

Year 6 Child Centred Reviews (for parents of pupils with SEND)

8th Theatre Café (priority to go to Year 5 before other year groups are selected)

Week Beginning 11th Year 6 Swimming

Anti-Bullying Week

11th-Remembrance Assembly

15th-Charity Day-Time for Bed

Week Beginning 18th Year 5 Swimming

Assessment Week in School

22nd Theatre Café (priority to go to Year 4 before other year groups are selected)

Week Beginning 25th Year 5 Swimming

29th-School Closed for INSET Day

December

Week Beginning 2nd Assertive Mentoring Conversations

2nd St Andrew's Day to be celebrated today (St Andrew's House Team have the option to wear a splash of blue)
 2nd 3KH, 6SA, 6AC and 5PS Assertive Mentoring Conversations
 3rd 3CF, 6LT and 5AH Assertive Mentoring Conversations
 4th Year Meeting of the Full Governing Body
 5th 3GM, 4SC, 4MW and 5AW Assertive Mentoring Conversations
 6th 3ST and 5HW Assertive Mentoring Conversations
 7th 3GT and 3HM to work with the CLC
 6th Christmas Jumper Day
 Coffee Morning
 Christmas Fair (pm) 2pm-4.15pm
 Week Beginning 9th Assertive Mentoring Conversations (Dates and Times to be decided)
 9th Stay and Pray Event
 9th 6JK Assertive Mentoring
 11th Year 3 Nativity Performance for Parents (1.30pm)
 12th Year 3 Nativity Performance for parents (9.30am)
 12th 4KH & 4HB Assertive Mentoring Conversations
 13th Theatre Cafe. Year 5 Parent Workshops.
 13th Year 5 Parent Workshop (2pm-3pm)
 16th Christmas Party
 17th Whole School to the Christmas Pantomime-Peter Pan
 18th-Christmas Carol Event for Parents (2pm)
 19th End of Term Mass
 Break up for the Christmas Holiday (1.30pm)

Loving, learning, growing together with Jesus



We're working towards Artsmark
 Awarded by Arts Council England

