



St Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

Many thanks to Year 5 who led a very beautiful and reverent whole school liturgy this week. The theme was 'The Year of St Joseph.' Pope Francis declared this year to be dedicated to St Joseph and for us to celebrate and remember what a special person he was in Jesus' life. We can learn a lot from St Joseph about how we all can be humble, caring and kind. We prayed together, sang together and reflected together. We discussed how we have been inspired by others and how we can be an inspiration to others by our actions.

A final plea. We would really be grateful if you could spare a couple of minutes to complete the interactive form which can be accessed via the link below. The more responses we get the better! It only takes a few minutes and many thanks in anticipation...

<https://forms.office.com/r/GJ7HxJTVDs>

WEDNESDAY WORD

Here is the link to this week's Wednesday Word: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/jesus?pid=MTA101634&v=36.17>

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Next Friday (1 October 2021) we are asking that children come dressed in green and donate £1 in aid of Family Fast Day. As you know, Cafod is a fabulous charity that supports and reaches out to people who are affected by poverty. This year the theme is 'Go Green' and we think it is important that we get involved and show our support where we can.

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

The following Friday (8 October 2021) is World Mental Health Day and we are asking all children to wear an **item of yellow** with their uniform and to donate £1, which will form part of our contribution to the Healthy Young Minds organisation. This is a wonderful charity which does so much to support children and young adults.

CROSS COUNTRY RESULT

A massive well done to all the Woodbank park runners who raced last Saturday. It is great to represent *your* school and we are very proud of each and everyone of you. A special mention goes to Lucy W in Y3 who came in the top ten on her very first race. A brilliant achievement!

HOME LEARNING

For those children having to isolate at home presently, we have uploaded work on to the class pages in MS Teams. We are not offering 'live' teaching this time around (we hope it will be short!) but have put together comprehensive curriculum cover via the work packs.

POSTPONEMENT

Unfortunately, we are taking the decision to postpone any events scheduled for **September**. Thank you for your understanding. We will hopefully soon be in a position to write again with revised dates for events and visits.



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DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Arrival time will remain at 8.45-8.55am, with all pupils in class for registration by 9.00am; the end for the school day has returned to 3.15pm for all pupils with Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils, for the time being, collected from the bottom playground. Thank you for your support.

MELLOR MARCH

The Mellor March is an annual walk held to support local cancer charities and has raised over £200,000 since its creation in 1994. While the main walk is 11 miles, for the first time this year, we have put together a smaller route for little legs that's 40 minutes, however if you wish to brave the full route with little legs in tow, it is circular so it is easy to head home at any stage.

This year the March is being held on this **Sunday 26 September**. The main walk leaves from the **Devonshire Arms in Mellor** at around 10.00am but there is no reason why a group could not leave and finish at Mellor Primary School with people registering on the route.

Money is raised through sponsorship or donation so we would truly appreciate your support. Check out our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/MellorMarch> or our website <https://mellor-march.org.uk/> for more details.

We hope to see you there! The Mellor March Committee

WELLSPRING HARVEST WISH LIST

We still need your support and donations in aid of this wonderful charity. If you can help, that would brilliant! Donations can be sent in with your child or dropped off with the school office.

ESAFETY

Please see the attached flyer which is full of 'Top Tips' for keeping your children safe online. It really is a fabulous information resource.

WATCHES IN SCHOOL

Just a quick reminder. If your child wishes to wear a wrist watch, please ensure it is plain, flat and simple. Smart watches (or similar) are not appropriate for school; we also wish to avoid bulky watches, since they could present a potential hazard. Thank you for your support in this matter.

OPEN EVENING AT HARRYTOWN

Harrytown High School will be holding their open evening on the 14 of October 2021. **Please refer to last weeks' flyer for more details.**

A FINAL THOUGHT

Life is about choices; start with kindness.

Wishing everyone a well-deserved and happy weekend!

Mr Paul Ackers and Miss Alice Poole