St Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy



http://www.st-marys-marplebridge.stockport.sch.uk/ St Mary's Parish: <u>http://stmarysmarplebridge.org.uk/</u> Holy Spirit Parish: <u>https://www.holyspiritmarple.com/</u>

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A QUICK UPDATE

It was lovely to see so many of you this week at our 'Meet and Greet' sessions and curriculum evenings. Thank you for taking the time to attend and I hope that you found them really informative and useful. We value and are very proud of the partnership that exits between home and school.

I know there seems to be a lot of surveys or links to follow in this edition. The more responses we get this week means that they can be removed sooner! Thanks a lot in advance.

From next week we will be reducing a selection of the measures that have been in place recently. The enhanced cleaning will remain and we will also be keeping the lunch time arrangements as they are. We also feel that the end of day pick up arrangements are also working effectively and these will stay the same too.

Now for the good news; face masks will no longer be required on the school grounds and we are looking to reintroduce any postponed events in the near future. Within school we are moving to in person assemblies and acts of worship and children will once again have the opportunity to experience a full school offering. We are determined to keep moving forward in a sensible and progressive way and we thank you for all your support over the past weeks.

Rescheduled event – We invite the families of Reception and Year 6 to our '**Special Friends**' **assembly on the 15.10.2021 at 10.00am.** This will be followed by photographs and tea/coffee courtesy of our fabulous PTA.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

Thank you to our Reception class who led a beautiful and very uplifting Collective Worship this week all about how precious we are. We were encouraged to think about all the things that are precious and special about us and to us. They reminded us that we are all precious and all different and that we fit together so well. This makes a beautiful picture and we all add to each other's lives.

Please see Mass timings below for the parishes.

Saturday - St Mary's, Marple Bridge, 6.30pm, Holy Spirit, 6.00pm Sunday - St Mary's, New Mills, 9.00am, St Mary's, Marple Bridge, 12.00, Holy Spirit, 9.00am

We are keeping it live for another week. Please can you spare a couple of minutes to complete the interactive survey form which can be accessed via the link below. This is our second survey of three and we were delighted with the number of responses we received previously. This survey is all about RE at St Mary's and will really support our preparation for the forthcoming DCI inspection.

https://forms.office.com/r/i9Ztqg8a6U

WEDNESDAY WORD

Here is the link to this week's Wednesday Word:

https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/openness?pid=MTA101634&v=39.20



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YELLOW IS THE COLOUR

Thank you so much for your generosity today in support of World Mental Health Day. Because of your contributions we have managed to raise a brilliant $\pounds140$ for the Healthy Young Minds organisation.

JUST MAGNIFICENT MRS ASHTON

We are so very proud and let's be perfectly honest, a little in awe of the wonderful Mrs Ashton who completed the London Marathon last Sunday. She ran it in a magnificent 4hours 30 minutes; what an achievement!

HOUSE POINTS

Please see the totals for the month of September. Blue team are out in front but I am sure it will be close run thing by the end of term...

Red	Yellow	Blue	Green	
1231	1204	1309	1255	

CURRICULUM POWERPOINTS

Just a quick reminder that curriculum PPTs are being added to the whole school MMB Everyone MS Team. We hope that you find them really useful. Any problems accessing them, then please let us know.

OUR FIRST MEETING

Today saw the meeting our new School Councillors. They all looked very official and rightly proud and we are sure that they will do a fabulous job in representing all the children of St Mary's. Many thanks to Mrs Finney for leading today's discussion.

CROSS COUNTRY PICK UP

Just a polite reminder that when you are picking up your child/ren from Cross Country practice to wait in and near to the car park. We will bring them to you. Many thanks for your co-operation.

CHARACTER COUNTS

In keeping with helping children to develop their whole person we will be focusing on 'Character Education' throughout school. We will be facilitating this in many different ways and the qualities that we will be looking to support will permeate through many areas including the Gospel values, SANCTA and our reward systems. There will also be times when we discretely refer to particular character traits. We are looking forward to seeing this evolve this year and we will keep you regularly updated.

Please see the attached flyer for a little more detail.

MISSED FLU VACCINATION

Intra Health were in school on Wednesday to vaccinate our pupils, they will return on **TUESDAY 12/10/21** if your child missed their immunisation you must consent via the link that was sent via email on Friday morning. The deadline to register is **SUNDAY**.

WELLSPRING HARVEST WISH LIST

Many thanks for your generosity once again and for all your donations. It really is appreciated, we will still be taking donations until **12.10.2021** so you can still donate if you are able to and donations can be sent in with your child or dropped off with the school office.

OPEN EVENING AT HARRYTOWN

Harrytown High School will be holding their open evening on the 14th of October 2021. Please see updated guidance below from the school and a booking link.

We want to go ahead with it as face to face with families and pupils that is what they get most out of. However we need to control the numbers throughout the evening and request a one adult per child ratio. Please follow the link to book a place.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/harrytown-catholic-high-school-open-evening-2021-tickets-186930142087?aff=ebdsoporgprofile

ST MARY'S AND LUDWORTH PARENT TRAVEL SURVEY Please follow the link to complete the survey.

https://forms.office.com/r/16nmrw4WTm

A FINAL THOUGHT

Sometimes just listening without giving an opinion is enough.

Wishing everyone a well-deserved and happy weekend!

Mr Paul Ackers and Miss Alice Poole

Please see details below for our Holiday Club.

Holiday Club booking form for

£20 per child per booking								
Tuesday 26 October 2021		Wednesday 27 October 2021		Thursday 28 October 2021				
All children will need to bring a packed lunch (NO NUTS of any kind) and a drink in a bottle that can be refilled if required.								
In view of Covid19 the club is limited to 20 places per day and we will follow procedures for social distancing and hygiene. Club is open from 08:30 - 17:30. Children may not attend Holiday Club if they are showing any symptoms of Covid19 or have had a positive PCR result in the previous 10 days.								
All places booked must be paid by Friday 15 October at the latest. As we have a waiting list your place could be reallocated if unpaid. Account Name: St Mary's Kids Club Account no: 40509001 Sort Code: 01 05 51								
All enquiries/ bookings should be sent to <u>sosborne@mmb.srscmat.co.uk</u> Holiday Club Manager, Laura Corbett (<i>was</i> Young - married last July) can be contacted on the school phone during Holiday Club opening or 07500 043948								