



St Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

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A WARM WELCOME

Welcome back and welcome to the second half of our Pentecost term. We hope that you had a wonderful half term break and are all feeling suitably refreshed and raring to go. There are lots of events to look forward to over the coming weeks, kicking off with the 'Gin and Bingo' night this evening followed by Marple Carnival on Saturday.

Hopefully you will have received a message regarding assembly arrangements. Thank you for your understanding in this matter; where possible we want you to join and celebrate with us. First one will definitely take place next Friday (24.06.2022)

RE books from previous years have been sent home and we have also sent out a music tuition survey that requires a quick turnaround. Please check your emails and if we could ask for your support in completing it as soon as possible, ideally by the weekend that would be great!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

This week Mrs Rourke, Abigail (Y5) and Nathalie (Y3) led the whole school worship. They talked about their recent Easter pilgrimage on Pilgrim Cross; speaking about how they walk 15 miles carrying a cross to various churches. We heard how they spent the week developing community through activities such as go-karting, crafting and paddling in a ford; helping preparing meals together, and of course by participating and planning in the daily worship. They even got all the children up singing as they shared some hymns and walking songs with the rest of the school – have you been hearing – Have you ever seen a penguin come to tea?

Although Pentecost Sunday fell during the half term break, we did not want to miss out on wishing the Church a very happy birthday. So, our Faith Friends and SANCTA Squad planned and led a special Mass on Friday afternoon, which we shared together at church. Father Daniel guided us in reflecting on all we have learnt about Pentecost this term and how we, just like the apostles who first received the Holy Spirit, are called to be missionary disciples and spread the Good News. After Mass, we sang happy birthday to the Church and shared birthday cake to mark this special celebration.

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>

HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS

On Friday 24th June at 10am, which is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Years 3 - 6 will be attending mass at St Mary's Church, Marple Bridge, as part of a combined celebration for our First Holy Communicants.

If your child made their First Holy Communion in 2020, 2021 or 2022, please send them in to school wearing their First Holy Communion attire, or should it no longer fit, part of it (e.g. tie or veil). There is no need to buy anything new or find old items; should you no longer have their outfit, your child can wear something which you and they feel is suitably celebratory.

All children from Y3 - Y6 can bring in a party outfit to change into after the Mass for party nibbles and games in class (and to wear for the rest of the day).

Parents and carers are welcome to attend mass at 10am on Friday at church, but please be advised that spaces are limited.



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CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS

Will be taking place on Monday 27th June 2022.

KEEPING SUNSAFE

Just a quick reminder of how we keep children safe and well in the summer.

Sun-screen

Children will be allowed to put on their own sun screen when appropriate. If sunscreen is brought into school, it should be labelled with the child's name and given to the teacher for safe keeping. Staff are not able to support with the application of sun screen. We recommend that parents apply sunscreen at home before the start of the school day.

Sunhats and water bottles

Sunhats and baseball caps offer good protection in sunny weather. Please make sure items are named. All year round the children are encouraged to bring a water bottle into school. This is particularly important in the warm summer terms.

PUPIL PARLIAMENT DAY

Our two Pupil Parliament representatives Joseph B in Year 5 and Isla from Year 6 attended the last Pupil Parliament session of the year today. They joined with other schools in our Trust to discuss the impact of the Pupil Parliament so far and what actions and projects were happening in our schools. Isla and Joseph were able to talk about our gardening projects and the development of our woodland area. The Pupil Parliament representatives also discussed future projects including possible planned sporting events and ways for our Trust schools to work more sustainably. Isla received a certificate thanking her for her contribution this year. We will be appointing a new representative to accompany Joseph in the Lent term. They were an absolute credit throughout, well done both!

MARPLE CARNIVAL 2022

We are thrilled to announce that Marple carnival is returning this year and is taking place on Saturday 18th June 2022. St Mary's will be part of the wonderful parade. Thank you to the PTA and good luck to everyone taking part!

THANK YOU MR OATES

Year 4 had a very interesting time on Wednesday this week when Mr Oates and his colleague from Lloyds bank came to visit them. They came to talk about technology and how it has changed so much over the past few years and how it will continue to impact on our lives and the world of work in the future. They brought with them a collection of older pieces of technology - mobile phones, CD players, videos, floppy discs etc for the children to investigate. It was a quite a trip down (a recent!) memory lane for the adults!!

MODE

The charity MODE are involved in an Armed Forces Day celebration on Towns Street in Marple Bridge on Saturday 25th June 12-4pm and they would love to get the children involved!

They have dropped some posters off at school with details of a 'Poem and Picture' competition. If your child/ren would like to get involved they could produce a poem or picture celebrating the armed forces and what they do. They would then bring down their entry on the day with their name, age and address on the back.

MELLOR COUNTRY HOUSE LADIES NIGHT, WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE FROM 7PM

The evening will feature Tropic summer beauty and make-up demonstrations. There will also be a pop-up shop of the summer Tropic products for you to have a look at and order.

There will also be a raffle on the night featuring some fantastic prizes!

Tickets are £7.50 and include a goody bag on arrival, a wine or soft drink of your choice and nibbles. Proceeds from ticket sales, raffle and a donation by Jo from Tropic orders placed on the night go to the charity.

If you would like a ticket please contact Sharon at MCH on either

mellorcountryhou@btconnect.com or call her at the home on 0161 427 1893

FAMILY RUN

There's a family fun run in Brabyns Park on Sunday at 9.30am. It's 2k and open to all ages 4 and over. Registration on the day, £2 cash only. Medals for all finishers.

<https://www.marplerunners.com/news/marple-10k-trail-race>

KICKSTART DRAMA

Spaces available on the Wednesday class sessions. Please see attached flyer for specifics.

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP US?

By not parking on Lowry drive and by not idling. We have received a number of concerns from residents in this regard and it is causing upset. Please do not arrive any earlier than you need to pick up your child/ren and ensure that engines are fully switched off. We know that parking is tight at the best of times and it is only by working together and being mindful of the community that things will improve. Many thanks for your support with this request, we know our neighbours will be very grateful.

ST MARY'S FAMILY CAMP

FRIDAY 8TH - SUNDAY 10TH JULY 2022

The PTA are now accepting bookings for our traditional annual family camp at Rowter Farm in Castleton. More information and booking form: <https://forms.gle/bPhFZD6vn6fLTdSdA>

Booking deadline Friday 27th May

Payment deadline Friday 10th June

ATTENDANCE

Each week we will announcing class attendances and these will also be celebrated in our assembly. Congratulations to Year 1, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 who all achieved a brilliant **97%**. Our target is 97%.

Weekly Attendance	
Rec	95%
Y1	97%
Y2	95%
Y3	97%
Y4	97%
Y5	97%
Y6	86%

A FINAL THOUGHT

People will always know when you have the best intentions

Mr Paul Ackers and Miss Alice Poole