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St Mary's Newsletter 12.01.2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year! Welcome to our first newsletter of 2024.

It has been a busy week at school and all the children have settled back into their school routines.

We have an exciting term planned, so please make sure that you read the newsletters carefully to keep yourself and your family fully in the picture of all that is happening.

Vale Royal School Sport Partnership



Well done to all Year 5 & 6 children that took part in last night's sports and games event!

Free IT Sessions



FREE IT SESSIONS

DO YOU LACK CONFIDENCE IN FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND YOUR PHONE, LAPTOP OR DEVICE?

If so, please come along to St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Manor Lane, Middlewich) on:

Saturday 20th January,
Saturday 17th February
Saturday 23rd March

10—10.45am—Help with phones and tablets
11—11.45am—Help with using Word, Excel etc.

Refreshments provided

For more information, please contact Lucie Ferneyhough on 07929 717909 or lucie.ferneyhough@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Try a School Lunch



TRY A SCHOOL LUNCH
THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY 2024

BEEF BURGER & CHIPS

HOMEMADE CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA & CHIPS

HAM SANDWICH

ICE CREAM/FRUIT

MILK OR JUICE



Diversity Calendar 2024

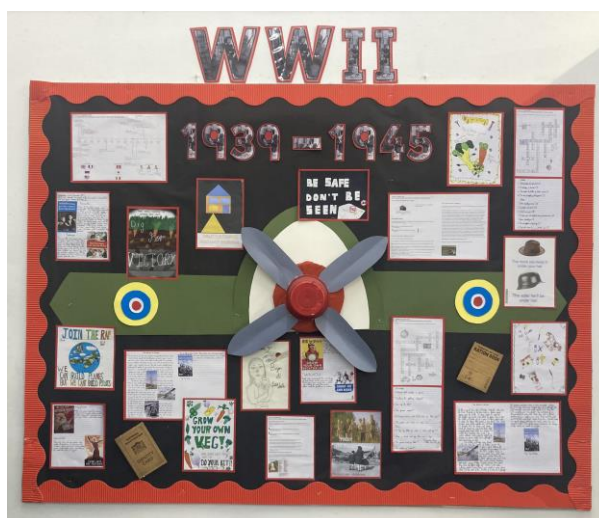
Please look on the school website under school information -equality, diversity and inclusion for the NAHT diversity calendar 2024.

Diversity Calendar 2024¹

Chapel Group

All children of all classes are welcome to attend on Tuesday morning's at 8.00am in the Chapel.

Our wonderful displays in School



Relationships and Health Education Programme

The consultation period for the Ten Ten RHE programme ended on 19th December and I am pleased to inform you that we are adopting the programme in full. However, teachers will use their discretion and only touch on the extra information (optional information) from the Key Decisions material if they feel it is entirely appropriate or if issues have been raised by the pupils. Basically, *Life to the Full* is a resource grounded in the Catholic tradition using the CES Primary Model Curriculum as its foundation. As a result, each phase has three modules that explore how we are created and loved by

¹https://www.stmarysmiddlewich.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/22722638

God, how we are created to love others and how we are created to live in community and each unit has a distinct religious element that promotes religious understanding.

The online programme hosts a parent portal with helpful information that can be accessed by parents. If anyone is struggling to log onto the site, please contact the office.

Fun Fest Holiday Club Reminder

We are excited to announce Fun Fest Holiday Club are returning to the school for the following dates:

20th, 21st & 22nd February 2024 and bookings are now live.

(Bookings for the next holiday will open once the previous has finished - Easter bookings will go live from 26th February 2024)

2nd – 5th April 2024

28th – 31st May 2024

Summer holiday dates to be confirmed - the club will run for at least 4 weeks of the holidays.

Please contact Fun Fest to make holiday club bookings ASAP as places will get booked up.

The priority booking line for St Mary's is:

Contact: 07570 270 839

If you have any queries or would like to book for holiday dates in between, please email: middlewichoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk²

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fun fest

HOLIDAY CLUB

For children aged
3 - 12 years

St Mary's Catholic Primary
School, Middlewich

7:30am to 6pm



- £35 for a full day
- £32 for a sibling
- £20 per morning or afternoon
- £160 full week (Monday - Friday)

Child Care Vouchers accepted

Booking now open

fun-fest.co.uk

Contact Fun Fest Cheshire Office

Email: middlewichoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk

Telephone: 07570270839

OFSTED Registered

Diary Dates & School Trips

School Trip Reminders

Please pay on ParentPay

Cost	Place	Year Group	Date
£219.00 due 1 st March 2024	Redridge	5	6th to 8th March 2024
£105.50 due 15 th March 2024	Petty Pool	3	16th May to 17th May 2024
£295.00 due 28 th April 2024	Abernant Lake	6	26th June to 28th June 2024

Diary Date Reminders

Wednesday 10 th January	Year 5 commence swimming
Monday 12 th February	Y5 Redridge Parent Information Evening 3pm to 3.30pm
Friday 16 th February	School finishes at 3.00pm
February Half Term	Monday 19 th February to Friday 23 rd February
Monday 26 th February	School opens 8.30am

PE & Swimming Timetable

Day of week	PE	Swimming
Monday	Reception, Y1, Y2, Y3,Y4, Y5, Y6	
Wednesday	Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y6	Year 5
Thursday	Reception	

Swimming commences for Year 5 on the 10th January and they will need to wear their PE kit on swimming day

Children are to wear their PE kit on their PE day

Stars of the week



Reception	Rory Whelan
Year 1	Ralph McAleer
Year 2	Isaac Poutney
Year 3	Harry Welsh
Year 4	Lottie-Rae Kerr
Year 5	Lizzie Farrington
Year 6	Jemima Riddell
After School Club	Ethan Spann

Well done to you all!

Attendance



Morning registration takes place at 8.30am each morning and school finishes at 3pm.

Good attendance is essential for pupils, pupils that are consistently late are disrupting their education and that of others and staff.

Please ensure your child arrives to school on time and has everything for the day ahead to reduce staff and your child being interrupted during the school day.

We would also appreciate if your child could be collected on time at 3pm, we understand there are occasions when traffic has been congested around Middlewich but so that staff are not delayed in their commitments, please ensure you allow enough time to collect your child from school.

Spotlight on Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK:	YEAR 5
WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK:	96.3
RECEPTION	95.9
YEAR 1	97.7
YEAR 2	95.0
YEAR 3	94.5
YEAR 4	95.7
YEAR 5	98.4
YEAR 6	96.8



Parent Contact Details & Notifications

Please can you ensure the school has your up to date mobile number and email address, when urgent messages need to be sent out on ParentPay we like to send text messages rather than email so that they are seen.

Can parents also ensure that their notification settings on ParentPay are turned 'ON' so that they do not miss important school messages and updates.

Important Reminder - ParentPay Accounts

Re: Breakfast Club / After School Club / School Meals / Sports Clubs

Please can you check your ParentPay accounts for each child are up to date and in credit by the end of each week.

There are a number of large payment amounts outstanding and the office are spending far too much time in chasing them.

Please note this message does not apply to school trip items which already have payments schedules in place.

Absence

Reporting an absence, please ring 01606 516 171 & select option 1, by 9am latest each day. State child's full name, class and reason for absence.

Email finance@stmrc.uk³ for:

- ParentPay & School Club queries
- Medical appointments & Absence Requests

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School Clubs

ParentPay online booking system for St Mary's Breakfast & After School Club is now live.

The cut-off date for Breakfast Club bookings is 11am the day before the booking.

The cut-off date for After School Club bookings is 11am on the day.

This is so that staffing and numbers can be set and managed.

Users will be able to cancel and make changes to their booking up until the booking cut off time.

If a child is picked up late from After School Club a charge of £5 will be made for every 15 minutes beyond the collection time.

After the cut off time, if a child is booked into a club and does not attend, the fee will still apply as the charge relates to the place being held not the actual attendance.

Clubs prices

Breakfast Club	£4.00 7.30am to 8.30am
After School Club	£4.00 3pm to 4pm Fruit & drink provided
	£6.50 4pm to 6pm Snack & drink provided at 4pm
	£10.50 3pm to 6pm - Sibling's price is £8.50

The Breakfast Club and After School Club number for emergencies operates whilst the club is running 0777 4496 483

Clubs provided by other agencies at the school - Sports / other clubs, when running, are charged at £4.00 3pm to 4pm and can also be booked by Parent Pay, please note when these clubs are full, as places are limited, we operate a waiting list system.

School Building Fund

Please can you help support us with termly pledge money from September. **This is £15.**

Each year every Catholic school is asked to contribute to the Diocesan Build Fund, this fund supports the building projects of all Catholic schools throughout the Diocese of Shrewsbury, as we do not receive full funding for builds and refurbishments from the government.

Since 2021 it has supported our school at St Mary's with a new hatch in the foyer, sky lights, replacement gutters, resurfacing of the pathways, new boiler, garage repair, new dishwasher, steamer, CCTV, new gates, upgrades to school lighting.

The money you provide is also used to provide extra outstanding provision for our children throughout the year.

We would like to thank all those parents who have already donated, especially in the current climate; it is extremely appreciated by the school.

Contact Us

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