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St Mary's Newsletter 19.04.2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's been a busy few weeks with Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 NSPCC assemblies, the annual Smoke-busters Escape to Safety presentation by the Fire Brigade and Parents Evenings. Hopefully, the weather will improve at some point to bring us some summer sun!

Mrs Janet McKinlay

Headteacher



1 - Mr Davis, our Chair of Governors talking with Mr Orr and one of our parents



Diary Date Reminders

Wednesday 24 th April	Year 3 Swimming School Photographs for Reception and Year 6 leavers – Please wear school uniform
Wednesday, 24 th April	Kids with Bricks Lego Club 3-4pm Years 1- 6 www.kidswithbricks.com to book your child's place.
Thursday 9 th May & Friday 10 th May	Year 5 Level 2 Bikeability
Monday, 13 th till Thursday 16 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Thursday 16 th May to Friday 17 th May	Year 3 Petty Pool Trip
Friday 24 th May	School finishes at 3.00pm
Monday (Bank Holiday) 27 th May to Friday 7 th June	Half Term
Monday 10 th June	School Opens at 8.30am
Monday 24 th June	Sports Day (Advanced Notice)
Wednesday 26 th June to Friday 28 th June	Year 6 Abernant Lake Trip

Residentials

School Trip Reminders

Please pay on ParentPay

Cost	Place	Year Group	Date
£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

PE Timetable

PE & Swimming Timetable

Day of week	PE	Swimming
Monday	Reception, Y2, Y3,Y4, Y5	
Wednesday	Y1, Y2, Y4, Y5, Y6	Year 3
Thursday	Reception	
Friday	Y1, Y6	

Children are to wear their PE kit on their PE & swimming day.

Academisation Consultation

A small number of parents attended the consultation meeting, it was a very positive meeting and we have received no objections.

Prayer & Liturgy Session planned & led by Y5





Holy Week Pictures









Year 6 SATs Week

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Dear Parents,

The week beginning Monday 13th May is SATs week! The timetable for the week will be:

Monday 13 th May	Grammar and Punctuation Paper 1 (45 minutes) Grammar and Punctuation Paper 2 – Spelling (20 minutes)
Tuesday 14 th May	English Reading Test (60 minutes)
Wednesday 15 th May	Mathematics Arithmetic Paper 1 (30 minutes) Mathematics Reasoning Paper 2 (40 minutes)
Thursday 16 th May	Mathematics Reasoning Paper 3 (40 minutes)

It is vital that the children are in school and on time every day this week. If children attend late or miss days, in accordance with the rules, they will be isolated from their peers until they have completed the papers in order to avoid prior exposure to test content.

Please ensure that the children have plenty of fresh air and do the things that they enjoy the weekend before the tests. We don't want them to spend the weekend revising or worrying! Throughout the week, it would be helpful if they could have early nights in order to help them perform to the best of their ability.

Breakfast Club

As we have done in the past, we will be running a separate Year 6 Breakfast Club for these 4 mornings. Children will be able to come into the Year 6 classroom from 8.00am giving them chance to relax, enjoy breakfast with their friends and start the day in a clear frame of mind. There will be no cost for this to parents.

Jack's Park

On the afternoon of Thursday 16th May, we would like to take the children to Jack's Park for the afternoon to celebrate the end of SATs week (weather permitting). We will also take a snack and a drink down for each of them. Please give permission on ParentPay if you are happy for your child to go to the park and use the play equipment by Monday 6th May.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support over the past two years. We are very proud of how hard the children have worked to get to this point and know that they will all do brilliantly!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with one of us.

Many thanks,
Mrs Hughes and Mrs Walker

Young Language Learner Award 2024



To enter this competition: write a comic strip in a foreign language (it CANNOT be your mother tongue) on the theme 'team spirit'.

You must use the official template to write your comic strip (collect from reception or from Mme Dellapiana).

Hand in your completed work by Wednesday 22nd May.

You can write in **French** on another foreign language, but you cannot use your mother tongue.

GOOD LUCK!

Mme Dellapiana

Children aged 6-11 are invited to enter this year.

To take part they need to **produce a comic strip in French** (or another foreign language which is NOT their mother tongue) on the theme of 'Team spirit'. To participate they must draw the comic strip on the official competition templates, which can be collected from the office or from Mme Dellapiana.

The deadline to hand in the entries is Wednesday 22nd May.

School Photographs

On 24th April, the school photographer will be in to take photos of Reception and Year 6. Children to come dressed in full school uniform (not PE clothes or trainers). Year 6 pupils will need to bring their PE kit with them in their PE bag.

After School Club fun





Holiday Club

The School Sports Company
Professional Sports Coaching

**MONDAY 3RD JUNE
TO FRIDAY 7TH JUNE
2024**

THE SCHOOL SPORTS COMPANY, 40 Windmill Rd,
Walkden, Manchester, M283RP. 01572 853 362
garyssc@hotmail.co.uk

WHIT ½ TERM MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

The School Sports Company are pleased to confirm that Coaches Gary, Jack and George will be running a whit ½ term holiday activity camp at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Middleswich for all school pupils. As School Sports Company is the no. 1 sports coaching company in the Northwest, your child can enjoy the following:

OUTDOOR SPORTS, ADVENTURING, INDOOR ACTIVITIES, CLIMB, ARTS & CRAFTS, INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES AND MUCH MORE!

In addition, children will learn about the skills of various sports and enjoy indoor & outdoor activities by participating in fun based coaching sessions.

FUTURE HOLIDAY CAMPS – AUGUST 2024,
FURTHER DETAILS COMING SOON

AGE: 4 – 11 years old Times: 08:15am to 5:30pm (pick up from 3.30pm)

All sessions will take place indoor / outdoors weather permitting

PACKED LUNCH / DRINKS REQUIRED

COST: £25 per day, or £100.00 for the whole week (5 days)
Reduced rate for siblings of £80.00 per week (£20 per day)

ALL STAFF ARE:
FULLY QUALIFIED
Experienced professional sports coaches
DBS checked
Fully insured
1st Aid Qualified

There will be a holiday club running at St Mary's from 3rd June to 7th June 2024 run by Coach Gary, Coach Jack and Coach George. This is the second week of the Whit holiday. Sessions will run from 8.15 am to 5.30 pm. Charges: £25 a day or £100 per week. If this would be of interest to you, please contact Coach Gary directly on garyssc@hotmail.co.uk¹

Coach Gary intends to run a holiday club during all our holiday periods going forward.

Sporting Triumphs

Congratulations to the Year 4 Netball team who won the netball competition last week at St. Nicholas High School. They showed great teamwork, fantastic passing and improved their shooting skills with every game. Well done, we are very proud of you all!

¹<mailto:garyssc@hotmail.co.uk>



Year 5 & 6 Football Competition

Year 5 & 6 Football Competition at Middlewich High School on Tuesday 30th April 24 starting at 3.45pm - 5pm.

The Football competition will be played on the astro pitch so no metal studs are allowed.

Children will need to wear their PE kits and bring a water bottle.

Parents are allowed to spectate.

Please give permission on ParentPay.

Digital Inclusion



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 13th April
Saturday 18th May
Saturday 29th June

3 —3.45pm—Help with phones and tablets
4 —4.45pm—Help with using Word, Excel etc.

**Refreshments provided by
Able Together**

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

Anyone needing a little bit of advice or support to familiarise themselves with mobile phone apps or programmes such as excel, come along. Open to St Mary's parents/carers/grandparents and the wider local community.

The time of these sessions is reverting to 10 am till noon.

Fund Raising



The poster features a colorful logo for Down Syndrome Cheshire at the top left, consisting of a stylized flower with petals in red, yellow, green, and blue. To the right of the logo, the text "gingerbread socks! 2024" is written in a large, playful, orange font with a white outline. Below this, the text "We're helping to empower people with Down syndrome to live the life they choose" is written in a black, sans-serif font. Further down, a green banner contains the text "This is to thank St Mary's Catholic Primary School, whose brilliant fundraising resulted in an amazing £144.45 donation!". Below the banner, the text "Your generosity will be used to further support people with Down syndrome in Cheshire." is written in a black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text "A HUGE Thank You! From us all at Down Syndrome Cheshire" is written in a black, sans-serif font.

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Donations to School

A huge thank you to the PTA for contributing to our new school outdoor benches which cost £288.00.





Attendance



The Department for Education (DfE), Ofsted and the North West Association of Directors of Children's Services (NWADCS) have committed to working together to help schools to improve pupils' rates of attendance across the North West region. As such, they will be working with schools, multi-academy trusts and local authorities across the region to share best practice around improving pupils' rates of attendance and reducing persistent absence.



Well done Stars of The Week!

Reception	Laura Szabla
Year 1	Ellis Stevens
Year 2	Rebecca Farrington
Year 3	Zara Ghosh
Year 4	Lottie Daniels
Year 5	Oscar Pearce
Year 6	Micaiah Barron
After School Club	Lily Howell

Spring / Summer Menu 2024

Spring & Summer Menu from 22.04.2024²

ParentPay Accounts

Please can you check your ParentPay accounts for each child are up to date.

The school operates a NO DEBT rule relating to the provision of school meals so please ensure your school meal account is in credit for the week ahead.

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

We would like to thank all parents / carers that pay promptly, as this ensures that all money that is for children's learning is available.

After School & Breakfast Club bookings

Please book on ParentPay.

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.

²https://www.stmarysmiddlewich.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/25510305

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	£4.50 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

Morning Registration & End of Day Release

Morning registration takes place at 8.30am each morning. Please ensure your child arrives to school on time and has everything for the day ahead.

To ensure a smooth end of day release for children, please can Parent's / Carer's ensure any messages regarding alternative collection arrangements are relayed to the teacher first thing in a morning or to the office by 2pm latest and if your child is not booked into a club, please ensure they are collected on time at 3pm.

Contacting the School

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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³<mailto:finance@stmrc.uk>

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admin@stmrc.uk⁴

Office hours are Monday to Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm

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