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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have been working hard to reduce congestion at the entrance to St Mary's. Cars have been parking on the pavement, the yellow zigzag lines and on the bend. People have been reversing near the gates and endangering pedestrians. I would urge you to park safely and sensibly before someone gets hurt.

Ash Wednesday is a holy day of prayer and fasting—it is the first day of Lent . This year it falls on 22nd February in the half term and is preceded by Shrove Tuesday.



STARS OF THE WEEK

WELL DONE TO ALL!



Notice: Cross Country Competition 7th March









NEWS & UPDATES

Birthday Treats— Book wish list

One of our parents has made the following suggestion asking parents to donate a wish list book to school on their child's birthday Instead of bringing in sweets. School would put stickers in the book to say 'donated by' and take a photo of the birthday child with the book (and a party hat) provided the parents gave permission. This photo would go in the newsletter.

A small group of Mini Vinnies helped out with St Mary's MIDDLEWICH FLOWERING MEADOWS is a team of vol-Playgroup at the parish centre. Unteers whose aim is to make Middlewich blossom by



Help! Plastic bottle tops needed!

Please can you collect plastic bottle tops over half term and send in before Wednesday 1st of March, for an art project in year 5 linked to World Book Day and our Sustainable Development Goal. Thank you!



Sweet Donations to Newton Court



MIDDLEWICH FLOWERING MEADOWS is a team of volunteers whose aim is to make Middlewich blossom by planting perennials and wildflowers in various locations around town. There is an opportunity for school to be involved in planting seeds in Brynlow Drive on Friday, 24th March at 10.30am. We hope the Mini Vinnies and the Eco team will be able to get involved.



Year 4 Visit to St Nicholas High School

Year 4 Activity Day at St Nicholas on 23rd March 2023.

The day is a fantastic opportunity for children to experience what life would be like at St Nicholas Catholic High School. Children will be working with staff from St Nicholas Catholic High School but will be with St Mary's staff throughout the day.

There will be a range of activities during the day including Creative Art and Sports.

Middlewich Children's Festival Royal Retinue

The following St. Mary's children have been selected to take part in the Middlewich Children's Festival Royal Retinue.

Festival Prince - Jenson Ward — Fairy Queen — Jamie Kay—Queens Soldier - Wesley Ward









Thank you for your generosity—these will go to the Care Home.



School Day Timings

The government's white paper lays out plans for mainstream state-funded schools to provide a 32.5-hour week, or 6.5 hour days, by September 2023. New school day will start at 8.30 am and finish at 3 pm after Easter 2023.

The school would welcome comments from parents/carers.

Attendance

CLASS OF THE WEEK:	YEAR 6
WHOLE SCHOOL WEEK:	95.9
RECEPTION	96.1
YEAR 1	93.3
YEAR 2	95.8
YEAR 3	96.1
YEAR 4	93.4
YEAR 5	97.2
YEAR 6	99.3

SPOTLIGHT ON ATTENDANCE



Thank you for your generosity—Earthquake Appeal

Non-uniform raised £135 for the survivors and victims' families effected by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. If anyone has forgotten to bring in a pound, just drop it in after the half term holiday and we'll add it to the contribution from St Mary's.









DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
27th February	Red Ridge Information Evening 3pm
7th March	Year 3 - Year 6 Cross Country St Nicks Catholic High School 3.45pm sign up via Parent Pay
8th March—10th March	Year 5 Residential to Red Ridge
Wednesday 15th March	Year 4 Bike ability Level 1
Thursday 16th March	School Disco
Tuesday 21st March	2023 Gingerbread Sock Biscuit Campaign
Thursday 23rd March	Year 4 Activity Day St Nicholas Catholic High School
19th April	Year 4 Start Swimming Lessons
20th April—21st April	Year 3 Residential to Tattenhall
24th—25th May	Year 5 Bike ability Level 2
24th—26th May	Year 6 Residential to Willersley Castle

OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

Vigil MassSaturday 6:30pmSunday Mass9am St Margaret Ward, Holmes Chapel

11am St Mary's, Middlewich

Mary's Meals Appeal

I have provided a link from Mary's Meals website in case you feel you could support the charity financially by donating to their fundraising efforts in Syria and Turkey. On 6th February, two earthquakes – registering 7.8 and 7.5 magnitude – hit Syria and Turkey in the space of just 12 hours.

Their emergency response will provide urgent support to children and families in desperate need. Please donate today if you can.

As always, if you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me,

God bless always,

Mrs Janet MCKAMIa ay











Bar

Kingsmead Friends Association Presents: HAPPY'S CIRCUS Sunday 21st May 2023

Kingsmead Primary School School Gates Open 12.00pm Big Top Open 1.30pm Show Starts 2.00pm

Tickets: pre-purchased only £10.50 per person Family ticket - £9.50 *

* per person (Minimum of 4) Under 2's free - no ticket required if seated on an adults lap for the performance ** non allocated seating **

Pre-Purchased Tickets Only Tickets: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/kingsmeadfriends-association



Games









Food