

St Mary's R.C. Primary School Newsletter

Statement To Live By

Our Statement To Live By next week is "I can say how I feel". Please talk to your child about this.

Macmillan Coffee Morning and foodbank

Next Friday, 27th September, we will be taking part in the Annual Macmillan Coffee morning. Parents and our community are very welcome to join us. Parents are welcome to come into the school hall via the main entrance from 8.30am with your children and families. The children will also join the coffee morning with their class throughout the morning. **Please can we ask for cake donations** and also if your child can bring in money that day to buy cakes. Most of us have been touched by cancer and so this is a very worthwhile charity event.

Our GIFT Chaplaincy Team are appealing for food donations of non perishable foods for our local foodbanks. But also, just as importantly, if any of our families are really struggling financially, and would benefit directly from any of our food donations, then please talk to Mrs Ruane in the strictest confidence. Please send in any donations by Friday 4th October.

Robinwood Residential trip

Our Year 6 children are off to Robinwood from Wednesday to Friday next week for lots of adventure and fun. We hope they have a fabulous time and make great memories to last a life time. Thanks to our staff

Bulb planting

Many of our children enjoyed planting bulbs today around our peace garden area. This was a great success and we look forward to them flowering next Spring.

Applications to our school and Nursery

The online application process to apply for Reception places for September 2025 is now open and closes on 15th January 2025. We will hold 2 open evenings for parents to come and have a look around our school on **Tuesday 24th September at 5pm or Thursday 7th November at 4.30pm. Parents can also come on these dates to look at our Nursery.** We still have a few places in our Nursery if you know of anyone who wants to apply. Just tell them to pop into the office for an application form.

Applications to High School—Year 5 and Year 6

This is the time of year where our Year 6 children and their families start applying for secondary schools. The local secondary schools have open evenings. This year both St. Cuthbert's and Wardle Academy have their open evenings on the same day: Thursday 26th September from 5.00 –8.00pm. This also clashes with our Year 6 residential trip to Robinwood. We have been informed that St. Cuthbert's will try and make an alternative arrangement for us and we will keep you updated here. We also recommend that parents of Year 5 to attend the open days this year. Please check each schools website for more information and read each schools admissions policy so you are aware of the criteria and likelihood to be accepted at each school before you apply.

Church news

Year 6 led a lovely class mass this week on the feast of St. Matthew and Year 4 will lead class mass next Wednesday at 10.00am in church. Anyone is welcome to come along and join us here.

FPTA

Our FPTA raised enough money last year to continue subsidising our school trips. We hope this can continue this year. However, to continue the great work they do, we need parents and friends to offer to help. Helen and Natalie do a fantastic job leading our FPTA but are always appealing for anybody to join them to help in any way that they can. Please come and join us—it is very informal and very friendly! Just contact our office if you can help our FPTA this year. Thank you in advance!

Head Boy and Head Girl

Well done to Year 4 for winning class of the week and to all the class champion winners. We also loved seeing all the awards our friends brought in to show in assembly. Year 6 are looking forward to our residential at Robinwood next week. Don't forget about our Macmillan Coffee morning on Friday 27th September from 8:30am in the hall.



20TH SEPTEMBER 2024

DIARY DATES

Afterschool Clubs - Information of our afterschool clubs have been emailed out and are available to pay for on schoolcomms

Macmillan Coffee Morning - 27th September from 8:30am in the school hall

AWARDS

Headteacher Awards

Nursery - Isabelle
Reception - Thea
Year 1 - Edie
Year 2 - Isabella
Year 3 - Georgia
Year 4 - Jude
Year 5 - Brooke
Year 6 - Bentley

Winning House this week:

St. Andrew's house
Class of the week:
Year 4