# St Mary's R.C. Primary School Newsletter

## Statement To Live By

Our Statement To Live By next week is "I can laugh and have fun" . Please talk to your child about this.

# Macmillan Coffee Morning

Today, we held our annual Macmillan Coffee morning and this year was just like previous years—filled with very generous families, all enjoying cakes for breakfast whiles raising a huge amount of money for Macmillan. We can't thank our families and friends enough for their amazing generosity. We raised over £580 Thank you!!

# Foodbank appeal

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 next Friday, 4th October.

#### **Robinwood Residential trip**

As we write this weeks newsletter, we await the return of our Year 6 children from their annual residential trip to Robinwood. We have enjoyed getting updates and photos from them. It looks like they've had a fantastic time. Thanks again to our staff for organising and running this trip.

# October is the month of the Rosary

We invite children to bring in Rosary beads during the month of October to use in prayer in class and assemblies.

# **Black History month competition**

Mrs Killoran is running her annual competition again. See our school Facebook page for more details here. **Entries need to be in school by Monday 30th September.** 

# Little 'Pink' Borough

Along with our local community we will be supporting Little 'Pink' Borough on 24th October. Raising awareness for cancer research. This will be a non-uniform day and we ask for something pink to be included. There will be wrist bands on sale for £1 and all proceeds will go to Little 'Pink' Borough. As always we would like to thank you for your amazing support.

# 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. Please check each secondary 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. The deadline for applications is 31st October 2024. Reminders have been set up to go out on Schoolcomms.

# Church news

Year 4 led a lovely class mass this week all about the Good Samaritan and loving our neighbour as our self. Year 3 will lead class mass next Wednesday at 10.00am in church. Anyone is welcome to come along and join us here. Year 3 have been sent a letter this week about starting the Sacramental Programme. Can those parents please return the slip to Mrs Giordani.

# <u>FPTA</u>

Helen and Natalie would like to send out a very warm and welcoming invite to anybody who would like to come along and join our FPTA and raise much needed funds for our children. 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. You can help in a big or very small way. There is no long term commitment or expectation. Just come and help however you can. We are all meeting on Thursday 10th October in school at 5.30pm. Come and join us for a very informal friendly chat and a coffee while we plan the events for this year. We look forward to seeing old and new faces! If you want any more information please contact Natalie on 07376084362



# DIARY DATES

# Little 'Pink' Borough

# 24th October

Non –Uniform to include something pink in support of Little'Pink' Borough

# Food Appeal

Details within the newsletter.

Donations to be in by Friday 4th October

# AWARDS

No awards this week as no assembly