



Saint Mary's RC Primary Academy

Weekly Newsletter



Monday 7th October 2024
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Advent Term 1 - Diary Dates

Monday 7th October 2024
 Year 6 Swimming Lesson

Tuesday 8th October 2024
 Whole School Mass in Church

Friday 11th October 2024
 Shining Lights Assembly 8.50am – Parents Welcome

Monday 14th October 2024
 Year 6 Swimming Lesson

Tuesday 15th October 2024
 Look out for letters with more information on the
 Harvest Festival – donations due
 School Disco!

Thursday 17th October 2024
 Coffee Morning at 9am – Parents Welcome

Friday 18th October 2024
 Shining Lights Assembly 8.50am – Parents Welcome
 Last Day of Term

Tuesday 29th October 2024
Back to School!
 Parents Evening

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Safeguarding

Saint Mary's RC Primary Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all pupils. Each child's welfare is of up most importance. **Safeguarding is everyone's business.** If you have any safeguarding concerns, Saint Mary's RC Primary Academy Designated Safeguarding Lead is **Mrs K Cox (SENDCo)** and our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are; **Mrs L Gleed-Thornley (Headteacher)**, **Mrs Williams (Deputy Headteacher)**, **Mrs Brader (on Maternity Leave)**, and **Miss Spikings (Office Manager)**. Our Safeguarding Governor is **Ms M Lewis**. Further Safeguarding information can be found on our school website under the 'Welcome' tab.

EYFS Extra PE Lesson – Wednesday 9th October 2024

Year 1 have an extra PE lessons this week – please send them to school in their PE kit.

KS2 Film Club

From Tuesday 8th October 2024 Film club will merge with Crafts Club. There will be no KS2 Film Club on a Wednesday from this week.

Anaphylaxis Awareness Week

From Tuesday 1st October to Monday 7th October is Anaphylaxis week, classes have spent time on activities to increase awareness.

We are a Nut Free School - We have children in school with severe nut allergies. We ask that you ensure any products containing nuts do not come into school; these items include; any Kinder products, Chocolate Spread (such as Nutella), Peanut Butter etc. Binging these items into school can cause severe allergic reactions which can have significant affect on our children with these allergies.

Saint Mary's Open Day – Thursday 21st November 2024

Our Open day starts at 9.30am and finishes at 4.30pm. Please see the leaflet shared for further information.

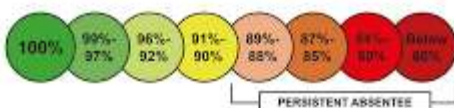
Harvest Festival Donations – Tuesday 15th October 2024

This year for our annual Harvest Festival, we once again ask for your generosity in supporting those most in need within our local community. All items collected will be donated to Boston Foodbank. All donations will be gratefully received; however, these items are currently urgently required:

- Coffee
- Long life milk
- Tinned meat meals (curries/hotpots)
- Tinned hot dog sausages/meatballs
- Cup-a-soup

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

SEND at Saint Mary's
 Scan the QR code for
 information to support
 parents and carers.



Attendance w/c 30th September 2024

National Average and Above

Below National Average

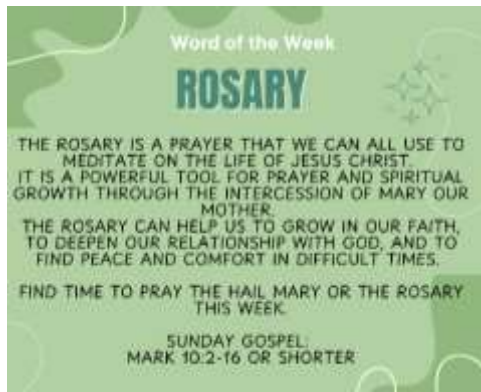
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
95%	94.6%	91.6%	92.6%	98.6%	96.5%	94.3%	94.8%

Our attendance target is 97.5 %

Well done to Year 4 who had the highest attendance with 98.6%.

“United in Christ, One Family in God's Heart”





We have School Places!

Do you know anyone who needs a school place? Tell them about Saint Mary's!

Please call the school office for more information or apply Via Lincolnshire Admissions.

We have spaces in:

EYFS

Year 1

Year 2

Class News

EYFS

In EYFS this week we will continue to explore the well-loved children's book 'The Gruffalo'. This week we have been exploring the different characters and how we can describe these characters. The children have loved exploring the tuff tray and retelling the story to each other. In maths our focus will be to explore how numbers can be composed of 1s and, begin to investigate the composition of 3 and 4. In RE we will be continuing new topic of 'Welcome' where we will explore how we feel welcomed and how we can welcome others. We will also explore baptism and how this is a way of welcoming a new baby into a family.

Year 1

This week in English we will begin to plan and write our own letters to Max to ask him to go back to the Wild Things as they miss him so much! In maths we will explore part-whole models and how we can write one number sentences in many different ways. In RE we continue our 'Belonging' topic by learning about what happens at a Baptism, as well as exploring some of the symbols that would be seen during one. In art we will sketch and paint self-portraits and we will celebrate Black History Month by learning about Martin Luther King Jr.

Year 2

This week in Y2, we are learning about the Sacrament of Baptism and being able to recognise and describe the symbols related to Baptism. In Maths we are continuing with our learning of numbers bonds to 100 before moving onto addition. In English we are learning all about non-chronological reports and we will be planning and writing our own. We have enjoyed taking part in the Our Lady of the Rosary event on Monday where we saw Bishop Patrick lead the Rosary with lots of schools across our trust. We are looking forward to learning a song in music whilst thinking about pitch.

Year 3

This week in Year 3 we are going to beginning to learn about non-chronological reports. We will be finding features and creating a story map based on our class text. We will also look at the use of questions within a text. In maths this week we are going to be learning about adding and subtracting. Specifically adding and taking away 100s from a 3 digit number. In our RE this week we are continuing our new topic on baptism. In geography we will be learning about 4 figure grid references.

Year 4

In English this week we will continuing writing our informal letters before moving onto our new topic about explanation texts. In maths we are looking at rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. We will be exploring the call of David and Samuel in RE as well as how the apostles were chosen. In geography we will be identifying what is significant about the tropics and in science we will be exploring the digestive system and creating our own model.

Year 5

This week we have been focusing on column methods and word problems in maths and we will be moving onto multiplication. In English we have been very busy planning an exciting non-chronological report about Viper Wolves from Pandora. We have enjoyed learning French and chatting to one another in class, using our new Vocabulary. We have been looking at anaphylaxis and we are very aware of the dangers of allergies and how to support those who are suffering.

Year 6

In English this week we will be continuing writing Biographies one of which is about the life of Gladys West - an African-American scientist who invented the GPS system. Maths this week will involve using the short and long written methods for division. In RE we will be understanding how the priesthood is a vocation and how all Christians are called by God. Our Science this week will be an observation of plants and how they have adapted to the environment around them.

Uniform Rack and Lost Items

The school Uniform rack is back! Please feel free to help yourself to anything you may need.

A lot of uniform is going missing in school – staff do their best to ensure lost items are found, to support this we ask parents/carers to make sure all items are clearly named. If your child brings any uniform home that does not belong to them please return it to school.

Wrap Around Care

Parents and Carers will have an email explaining the new booking system for Wrap Around Care. If you need child care before or after school please scan the QR code below!

After School



Breakfast Club



NHS Is my child too ill for school?

Feeling anxious or Worried

'It's normal for children to feel a little anxious sometimes. They may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping.

Avoiding school can make a child's anxiety about going to school worse. It's good to talk about any worries they may have such as bullying, friendship problems, school work or sensory problems. You can also work with the school to find ways to help them.

If your child is still struggling and it's affecting their everyday life, it might be good to talk to your GP.'

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/advice-for-parents/anxiety-in-children/>

For more information and guidance click the NHS link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk - Is my child too ill for school?>

Discovery Sports – October Half Term Active Camps

We are pleased to announce that during the October holidays, Discovery Sports Coaching will be delivering Active Camps in your area. These camps will be hosted at Tower Road Academy on Monday 21st October 2024 to Thursday the 25th October 2024.

- Camps run from 8:45am to 3:30pm at a cost of £21.00 per child per day, with a 10% discount available for siblings.
- To book a place for your child please visit - [Activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity](https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity)
- If you would like to try the Active Camp for free for one day, you may book onto the Open Day. The link is: Active Camp Open Day - bookpebble.co.uk/Active Camp Open Day

Lost Property

We have had 2 pairs of glasses handed into the school office. If you have lost your glasses please visit the School Office.

Vacancies at Saint Mary's!

Midday Supervisor - St. Mary's, Boston

School: Boston St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Category: Midday Supervision

Location: Boston

Job Type: Permanent/Part Time

Closing Date: Mon, Oct 14, 2024



Class Teacher - St Mary's Boston

School: Boston St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Category: Teaching (Primary)

Location: Boston

Job Type: Permanent/Full Time

Closing Date: Mon, Nov 11, 2024



Saint Mary's Governing Body

Saint Mary's Governing Body are recruiting for Foundation Governors to join the body of Governors who support the school.

A Foundation Governor must be a practising Catholic. If you are interested or know someone who is please speak with the School Office. If you would like to have more information please do not hesitate to get in touch.



Well done to all the children who received their Shining Lights Awards on Friday 4th October 2024

Year 1	<p>Carla has been chosen as Shining Light this week for always putting 100% into everything she does. Carla lives out our schools Gospel Values daily and is a wonderful role model to the other children in Year 1. This week she has shown such a positive attitude towards all of her work and has offered some really thoughtful contributions on the carpet, particularly during our class liturgy about listening. Well done Carla!</p>	<p>Lacey has been chosen as Shining Light this week for coming into our classroom every morning with increasing confidence. Lacey is polite and courteous to others and always listens carefully on the carpet. This week Lacey has particularly impressed us with her maths work which she has completed with fantastic concentration and she has been bravely sharing ideas on the carpet as well. Well done Lacey!</p>
Year 2	<p>Isaac has been chosen for shining lights because he has worked very hard in all areas of the curriculum. He has tried hard with his presentation and has been able to work towards his targets in writing.</p>	<p>Yanah has been chosen for shining light for the amount of effort that she is putting into lessons. She always puts her hand up to share ideas and joins in well with group discussions. She always works hard to ensure that she is successful with her learning.</p>
Year 3	<p>Evangelin has been chosen as this week's Shining Light for showing a really positive attitude towards all of your learning. You always put your hand up to give things a go and have been particularly successful in your maths learning. You have been able to partition and adding ones numbers.</p>	
Year 4	<p>Jacob - You have been chosen for this week's Shining Light by your classmates. They have chosen you because they say you are generous, share with them and you create fun games at play times. One person has also said that you show compassion to everybody in class and are a good role model to others too. Well done, Jacob!</p>	<p>Chibez - You have been chosen for this week's Shining Light by the adults in Year 4. You have been chosen because of your excellent attitude towards our English lessons. You were fully engaged, setting a good example to others and Miss Hall and I were blown away with your contributions. You also made sure you included all the features we had learned in your narrative too. Well done, Chibez!</p>
Year 5	<p>Amelia - You have been chosen by the adults in class this week because you have consistently been working hard, you have been focused and engaged in your lessons and you have been producing good quality work in all your lessons. Well Done Amelia.</p>	<p>Lydia - Your class has chosen you for shining lights this week and they have said that you have a smile that brightens people's day. You make sure your friends are happy and smiling and you show the Gospel Value of Love. They have also said that they have noticed how hard you have been working in class and trying hard with your learning.</p>
Year 6	<p>Augustina - You have been chosen as this week's Shining Light by your teachers for the effort you put into all your work. You face challenges with a positive attitude. We were really impressed with your R.E. writing. You made strong links to your own beliefs and how the Beatitudes guide you.</p>	<p>Katrina - You have been chosen as this week's Shining Light by your classmates for always being a caring person. You speak politely to everyone and treat others the way you would like to be treated. You make your classmates (and teachers) smile by your cheerful comments.</p>