



St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through

Worship Reflections

Places and buildings can be important for us for many reasons. They can form part of our identity and history, remind us of special times and they can bring us closer to others in a shared community.

God our Father,

You are the creator of all good things.

When we lose something that is precious and at the centre of our lives, we feel great sadness. Yet through faith, hope of a brighter future is renewed again.

Help us to share our lights with those who are living with sadness, so that they can gain their strength from our faith.

Amen.

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday this week to:

Ellie Mattison

School Meals

*We will be on **Week 1** of the new summer menu next week. Please remember that we will start on the Tuesday as we are off on Monday for May Day.*

Sacramental Mass

There will be another Sacramental Mass this Sunday for the Year 4 children.

Playground

The gates in a morning are open from 8.40am. Can you please ensure when dropping the children off at school, that you stay with them if you arrive and the gates are not open. Please do not leave them unattended.

I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone for their kind messages of support and condolence. Many of you know that we have been nursing dad at home for a long time and I am happy and proud to say we managed to do that until the end. I will be forever grateful to my father for inspiring me to choose teaching as a profession and I can only hope to touch as many lives as he did.

When sad things happen we are reminded of how wonderful our friends and colleagues are. I would like to say a very public thank you to my colleagues here who just seamlessly keeps things going in my absence. I would also like to express my gratitude to governors for allowing me to work four days and spend more time with my father. I am very fortunate.

Mrs Gallagher

Merit Winners

Congratulations this week to:

Year R – **Payton Vas-Moulding** for working really hard on creating new and exciting sentences & **Darcie Steele** for always being keen to learn and always with a giant smile.

Year 1 – **Lily Barnett** for super work describing characters in our story & **Maisy Carr** for being a delight to teach.

Year 2 – **Scarlet Holmes** for great reading and comprehension work & **Aaliyah Andrew** for a good attitude towards new learning skills.

Year 3 – **Kiana Thorpe** for a much improved attitude towards reading and making lots of progress as a result & **Lydia Harvey** for being a kind and caring friend and noticing when others need help.

Year 4 – **Finn Doherty** for super work in Science looking at states of matter & **Jessica Swarbrick** for super progress in Maths working on decimals.

Year 5 – **Jak Hodges** for returning to school in such a sensible and positive way & **Grace Bly** for her constant efforts & contributions within all lessons.

Year 6 – **Daniel Marland** for his enthusiastic contributions during group activities & **Victoria Portelli-Micallef** for her dramatic performance during English lessons.

Words of the Week

This year we are all seeking to expand our vocabularies to help our children to be even better writers. Please encourage them to use these words. Older children may well be motivated to learn the adult words.

Children's Club

At Governor's this week a decision was made to allow an early collection fee for after school club. If a child is to be collected before 4.15pm then the charge will be £3. This will not include a snack. This will be introduced in September and we hope that this will make life easier for many of our parents.

Reception	lazy
Year 1	idle
Year 2	work-shy
Year 3	sluggish
Year 4	slothful
Year 5	inactive
Year 6	lethargic
Adult	languid

