



St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through

Worship Reflections

Teams often use different strategies to mentally challenge their opposition. It is often part of the game. We can choose how we respond to this, hopefully in a respectful way that allows us to maintain focus and concentrate on the match.

Dear God,

We thank you for giving us the patience and understanding to treat others with dignity and respect. Help us to remember that everyone is equal, to value their differences and to treat them as well as we wish to be treated.

Amen.

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday this week to:

Hallie Mattison, Charlie Pays, Corin Doherty, Liesel Doherty, Isabella Butcher, Dylan Hoban, Sebby Mountford & Scarlett Cooper.

School Meals

*We will be on **Week 3** of the menu next week.*

Year 3 Mass

On Wednesday 27th November there will be a mass at 9.30am and Year 3 will be attending. Everyone is invited to come and join us.

Dress down

Tomorrow is dress down day, for a donation of chocolate, which will be for the tombola on the PTFA's Christmas Magical Evening which is being held on Wednesday the 4th December from 6-8pm

CAFOD WORLD CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Already this term we have raised money for CAFOD in order to help and support our neighbours from around the world. Thank you.

Over the past few years, in order to really reflect the true meaning of Christmas, we have asked that rather than your children bringing in lots of cards for their friends, they instead, write a special message in just one card addressed to the whole class and send in a donation that would have otherwise been spent on cards. This donation will be added to their own class **World Gifts Fund**. This will then be totalled up for each class and they will then have a budget to purchase gifts from the CAFOD catalogue. The children always enjoy great discussions about what they can afford, how they want to help and what type of difference they want to make to another child, family or community. The classes share their 'purchases' with the rest of the school in a special assembly and explain why they have selected them. We are always surprised by how different the gift choices are.

The whole school would like to do the same again this year. The teachers will be talking to the children about this and with your support, we know that we can make this Advent a time to give to others, just as God gave us Jesus – the greatest gift of all.

If cards and any money can be sent in by Wednesday 4th December, then we will have plenty of time to make our choices, order them and receive our special card in return.

Thank you in advance.

Mrs Woosey.



Zumba Club

There will be a special one-off Christmas Zumba Showcase at 2.45pm on Thursday 19th December in the school hall for parents of the children who attend both the Tuesday and Wednesday Zumba classes.

In order to co-ordinate their moves, can all the children who normally attend Zumba on a Tuesday morning, please also come to an extra session on Wednesday 11th December and Wednesday 18th December please at 8am.

Thank you. Louise Ross.

Merit Winners

Congratulations this week to:

*Year R – **Autumn Ingham** for beautiful manners in all areas of school life and **Leo Swindlehurst** for trying his very best with letter sounds in phonics.*

*Year 1 – **Charlie Hunter** for working really hard to become a great reader & **Nyla Queen** for being a superstar and trying her best every day.*

*Year 2 – **Luke Archibald** for being a fantastic role model & **Lingyi Zhou** for super independent working in maths.*

*Year 3 – **Rueben Anthony** for always being a kind friend & **Jensen Peake** for wonderful work in history.*

*Year 4 – **Lewis Anyon** for persevering and working hard on the challenging maths questions & **Annabel Roberts** for super answers and working during our science topic on sound.*

*Year 5 – **Oliver Parkinson** for being extremely respectful at Church which was noticed by one of the parishioners & **Hannah Dexter** for always putting 100% effort into her work and being a kind and caring friend.*

*Year 6 – **Beth Chester***