



# St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

*Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through*

## Worship Reflections

Whether we believe animals and humans should be treated equally or not, all creatures have the right to be treated with respect, cared for properly and to not suffer unnecessarily.

**Lord God,**

**Who made the earth and every living creature. Help us to show compassion to all the animals entrusted to our care, so that they may not suffer in any way. Grant that in caring for them, we may find a deeper understanding of Your love for creation.**

**Amen.**

## Birthdays this week

*Happy birthday this week to:*

Aaliyah Andrew, Lilly Armer, Lily Barnett, Finn McMullan, Einwen Walker & Cordelia Bowerman-Melling.

## School Meals

*We will be on **Week 2** of the menu next week.*

## Sacramental Family Mass

*There will be a family Sacramental Mass on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 11am until 12 noon.*

## Year 1 Class Assembly

*On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January it will be Year 1's Showcase Assembly at the usual time of 2.45pm and you are all invited to join us*

Thank you to all parents who attended the termly toolkits on Tuesday night. If anyone could not make the meeting the packs can be sent to you with all the details you need. Please set a little time aside to read through this. Thank you to the teachers for their efforts in putting their presentations together.

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent RE questionnaire. My apologies for the broken link that was initially sent.

Now two weeks into our resolutions our resolve is probably dwindling. We may have given into that piece of cake, smoked a cigarette, used a swear word or the trainers may well have not been dusted off this week. Commitment is hard and something we try to teach the children: just keep trying, don't give up. None of us are perfect but it is okay to be a work in progress. That's what makes us human and God loves us unconditionally, just as we do our children when they make mistakes.

I love this painting by Rembrandt of the Lost Son. This is a close up of part of the painting, for me it speaks volumes.



Mrs Gallagher  
Headteacher

## Merit Winners

### *Congratulations this week to:*

Year R – **Abigail Caddens** for working so hard to learn all her phonic sounds & **Angus Clarke** for showing kindness to a good friend in class.

Year 1 – **Lilyah Ramm** for having a great first week back in school & **Alex Carthy** for fabulous addition work in Maths.

Year 2 – **Jessica Whittaker** for working exceptionally hard in all subjects & **Albi Pickering** for his polite and calm manner helping others at all times.

Year 3 – **Rhys Roberts** for working hard and trying his best all week & **Finley Hogarth** for a fantastic start to swimming.

Year 4 – **Joshua Lee** for super answers and work during our Science topic on digestion & **JF** for working hard on writing sentences in English.

Year 5 – **Jessica Caney** for always being willing to help others & **Claudia Howarth** for trying extremely hard even with the areas of school she struggles with.

Year 6 – **George Caney** for having such a fantastic attitude and high work ethic in the first week back & **Lauren Clarke** for using such sophisticated words, when describing the previous mountain survival in English.

## PTFA Film Night

The PTFA have organised a film night for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January from 6-8pm. The film will be certified PG and costs £3 per child or £7.50 for a family of 3. The price includes popcorn and a drink and payments need to be made on the night please on the door. You can pay by cash or card. Thank you.

## Year 5 Taster Day – All Hallows

Just a reminder that it is the taster day at All Hallows for Year 5 on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January all day. You should all have received a form on Parentmail from Mr Hughes to complete and return. If your child is having a lunch please pay this in cash to school and not on Parentmail. Thank you.

## Lunchtime Golden Ticket Winners

Well done to our five golden ticket winners for their outstanding behaviour at lunchtime last week. They all had the chance, on Monday, to sit at the top table to eat their lunch. The 5 winners chosen this week will each be able to invite a friend to sit at the top table next Monday. Good luck!

### **Last week's winners were:-**

Maisie Ratcliffe – Y4

Lauren Clarke – Y6

Ava Mongan – YR

Isabella Kay – Y2

Jake Cumming - YR

## Added to the calendar this week

Year 5 Taster Day at All Hallows – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January all day.