



St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through

Worship Reflection

Emojis are one way for us to express ourselves digitally. There are lots of ways we can communicate, it's important to consider the best way to express ourselves in different situations.

Lord God,

Help us to show respect and consideration when we are communicating with others, whether it be face to face, through email, or online.

Help us to take the time to think through the content of our messages so that we can express ourselves but without causing upset to the person on the receiving end.

Amen.

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday this week to:

Austin Burgess, Rhys Roberts, Jude Cullen, Josh Lee, Oliver Delaney, Alice Gee, Thomas Kenyon & Grace Rafferty.

School Meals

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

Levy Fund

Please remember that we are still collecting for the Levy Fund. Thank you to all of those of you that have already contributed.

Year 5 Grease Dance

Year 5 will be performing their Grease dance tomorrow at 2.30pm and parents are invited.

Dress Down – Lenten Games

There will be a dress down tomorrow in exchange for an Easter Egg for the Lenten Games and Infant Raffle.

We have already referred to our three areas of focus for Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Almsgiving is giving to those in need and our children do this through Junior Lenten games and the infant Easter egg raffle. The creativity, the ingenuity and the entrepreneurial skills that the junior children display when coming up with ideas for their Lenten games is amazing. We always reach wonderful totals for the Good Shepherd fund, Nugent Care. Thank you for encouraging your children to take part and for sending money so that the children can support each other's games. Don't forget non uniform day tomorrow for Easter eggs. Thank you.

The children all went to Mass on Ash Wednesday to mark the beginning of lent. You will be very proud to know how respectfully the children received their ashes. As usual, they were brilliantly behaved in Church. Parishioners always comment on their good behaviour and father is always very impressed by their deep religious knowledge when he asks them questions.

We will be having a very special Mass on **Wednesday 25th March at 7pm** in church. This is to celebrate the retirement of Mrs Ainscough who sadly left us through ill health last year. Mrs Ainscough dedicated herself to our school for 29 years and we want to ensure that she knows how much we appreciate her. It would be lovely if the juniors who were taught by her could attend in uniform. If you know past pupils who would like to attend please let them know that they would be welcome. We will be asking those older children who wish to be a part of it to help us with the Mass and celebrating Mrs Ainscough.

Mrs Gallagher
Headteacher.

Merit Winners

Congratulations this week to:

Year R – **Abigail Caddens** for being a super sound spotter and having increased confidence to write them down independently & **Alan Rugala** for a big jump in confidence whilst reading and always with a big smile

Year 1 – **Louis Delaney** for fantastic answers in RE when discussing the Last Supper & **Charlie Pays** for great work in Maths counting tens and units.

Year 2 – **Thomas Kirby** for amazing phonics and handwriting & **Liesel Doherty** for fabulous questions and answers in History and Geography & **Aurora Melling** for your handwriting and hard work in Literacy.

Year 3 – **Harvey Watkins** for perseverance at swimming – a fantastic achievement & **Jack Turner** for super contributions during class discussions.

Year 4 – **Maisie MacMillan** for always being a kind friend to others & **Alfie Kevill** for a super understanding of our story during guided reading.

Year 5 – **Racheal Maduka** for excellent work on multiplication in Maths & **Alex Dawson** for living out our school mission prayer and letting the light of Jesus shine through in all he thinks, says and does.

Year 6 – **Sam Kelly** for showing such determination and effort – you have become such a mature Year 6 & **Jude Cullen** for his great efforts with his reading, answering questions with understanding and detail.

Year 5 & 6 Mass

There will be a mass on Wednesday 4th March at 9.30am for Year 5 and Year 6 children and all parents are invited.

World Book Day Meal

Don't forget the Harry Potter Theme Day for school meals will be on Thursday 5th March.

Tempest Photographs

The last date for all photograph orders is Friday 6th March. Can you please send them into school by this date? Thank you.

Lunchtime Golden Ticket Winners

Well done to our five golden ticket winners for their outstanding behaviour at lunchtime before half term. They all had the chance, on Monday, to sit at the top table to eat their lunch. As we were closed for the half term holiday the five winners will be chosen this week to sit at the top table on Monday 2nd March.

Good luck!