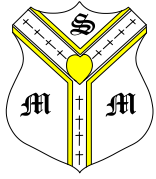


Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 15th October

Parent Evening This Term

Due to the rise in cases locally, we have decided it is not appropriate to have our usual parents' evening this term. Instead, every child will receive a brief report which will give you some information about how well they have settled into class and about their academic attainment.

Please do not worry if your child is not currently achieving in line with their age right now. We must keep in mind the months lost in school or nursery due to the lockdown in the spring and summer term. All the children and teachers are working hard. The most important thing right now is that your child is happy in school.

Feast of St Margaret Mary

Today is the feast day of our patron Saint Margaret Mary.

The children have celebrated this day by viewing together a special service created with Father Ian and both our infant and junior schools.

You can watch this special service on the Junior School Youtube page;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GCWQ29JCXU&feature=youtu.be>

St Margaret Mary lived in France and became a nun. It was during her years in the convent that Jesus himself appeared to Margaret Mary and showed her his Sacred Heart. He revealed that the flames around the heart represented Jesus' burning love for all people. The crown of thorns represented the sacrifices he was willing to make for all of us. Jesus shared with Margaret Mary that in his Sacred Heart are the blessings of grace, peace, mercy, faith and love.

We ask St. Margaret Mary to pray for us:

To help us to live as well as we can, giving thanks and glory to God as she did.

May we always follow her example and grow in the love of Christ. AMEN



EARLY LEARNING GOALS

The Early Learning Goals are the expected attainment for all children at the end of Reception.



The Early Learning Goal for Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children play co-operatively, taking turns with others. They take account of one another's ideas about how to organise their activity. They show sensitivity to others' needs and feelings, and form positive relationships with adults and other children.

What will teachers do to help...

- ♥ Provide opportunities for children to play and work in different groups, with different children and adults.
- ♥ Support children in finding solutions to problems by talking things through.
- ♥ Support children in recognising when they haven't made a 'good choice' and in saying sorry and helping children to forgive.

What parents can do...

- ♥ Encourage your child to share and take turns. Play board games which encourage turn taking and winning and losing (this can be a tough lesson to learn).
- ♥ Support your child in recognising when they haven't made a good choice and the importance of being sorry.
- ♥ Help your child to know, that we all make mistakes and every new day is a new start to try again.

SCHOOL WELL BEING AWARD



Thank you to everyone who has replied to the parental questionnaire. Your answers are really useful to us.

Next Friday, children will receive information to enter a special competition to design our school well being logo.

The winner will receive a scooter.

We hope as many children as possible can enter and take part.

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their parental consent for your child to use Seesaw.

We will be using Seesaw in class but especially should your child need to self isolate so that they can continue to work and learn from home.

Seesaw can be used to set work, give feedback and also directly communicate with your child's class teacher.

The only personal information shared to Seesaw will be your child's name.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS and MESSAGES

- ⇒ Please do not use the church car park.
- ⇒ Please enter by foot, by the far church gate and walk on the path around the church, across the front of the club to join the path to school.
- ⇒ Please do not walk with your child across the church car park.
- ⇒ Please keep your children with you, especially on the school grounds.
- ⇒ Please wear a face covering.

