

St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter



Nurturing Hearts and Minds

Worship Reflection

There are many different places to live in our country and the world. Wherever we live, we should feel safe and happy.

Almighty and merciful God, whose Son became a refugee and had no place to call his own; look with mercy on those who today are fleeing from danger, homeless and hungry. Bless those who work to bring them relief; inspire generosity and compassion in all our hearts; and guide the nations of the world towards that day when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of justice and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday this week to: Joseph C, Lilyah R, Alicia M & Nyla Q.

School Meals

We are on Week 2 of the menu next week.

Just a reminder that meals have now increased to £2.35 per day from 1st September. Please can you ensure that school meals are paid for in advance.

Thank you.

Pre-School Nursery

The Pre-School Nursery will be available from Monday 1st November after the half term holiday.

If you would like your child to register to attend please contact Becky on 07758882722. Thank you.

Jigsaw Sale

We are going to sell all the jigsaws that have been donated on the afternoon of Friday 24th

September from 2.0pm-3.30pm. Please can you share the St Mary Magdalen's Facebook post so that we can reach out to those jigsaw fanatics?

Thank you

Teaching is a wonderful job and I have been lucky enough to do it for 32 years. Whether or not pupils remember us, we are a huge part of their development and the influence we have on their lives is a huge privilege. It is a privilege that I have never lost sight of and I can honestly say that I have loved my career. I will be retiring at the end of this academic year. I know this may seem some time off but it does take some time to appoint a headteacher and to give that person time to give notice on their current job. This gives me time to enjoy my final year and make the most of every last event. It also gives me time to put the ship in order ready to handover to my lucky successor.

You probably won't be surprised to know that there is a headteacher recruitment crisis in our country. It is easy to understand why; the responsibility is high and the goal posts of expectation ever changing. However, many headteachers also have the stress of challenging parents and teachers who are not as committed to providing the best for the children. The fact that our parents are so supportive and that we have such a talented teaching and support team makes this post as attractive a post as headship can be. I am confident that our highly skilled governing board will make an appointment that will ensure that our school continues to go from strength to strength. I will have nothing to do with the appointment process but governors will let you know when they have news.

Meanwhile we have work to do. This week we have really been focussing on greeting politely and making people feel good. There have been lots of children making me feel cared for and good about myself, I hope they have been doing this at home too. Next week we are focussing on playing our part in our school community. Taking responsibility for our school environment.

Have a good weekend, Mrs Gallagher