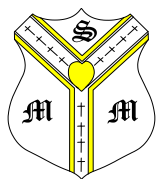


Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 5th November 2021

Class 1	90.7%	Class 7	100%
Class 2	96.7%	Class 8	96.9%
Class 3	98%	Class 9	96.7%
Class 4	93.6%	Class 10	97.3%
Class 5	96.9%	Class 11	94.6%
Class 6	93%	Class 12	96.6%

School Attendance Matters
This week's Attendance
Our target for attendance is 96%.



Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 10

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 7
Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 3

Attendance and Punctuality

Many of you, may have received a letter this week about your child's attendance. As you can see above, our target for each child's attendance is 96%. This is around less than half a day absence per fortnight, on average across the year.

Children's punctuality and attendance is extremely important as you cannot teach a child who is not present. Children who maintain good school attendance and punctuality have a better chance of doing well in school and then into adult life. They also form stronger friendships and self confidence.

We do understand that sometimes children are poorly and so the right thing is for them to stay at home until they are well enough to return to school. We want to support all our families to achieve a good school attendance.

If there is any support you may like, please contact the school office and ask to speak to Mrs Byrne, Mrs Maddocks or Mrs Harris.

Bonfire Night



Remember, remember, the 5th of November, gunpowder, treason and plot.

We hope the children have a lovely weekend celebrating Bonfire Night.

Please stay safe. Ideally, please try to attend a local organised display. The following is a link to an article detailing local organised displays.

[Bonfire Night 2021 fireworks displays near Liverpool including Wirral, Ormskirk, Southport, St Helens - Liverpool Echo](#)

PARENTS EVENING

Thank you to all the parents who attended parents evening yesterday. Unfortunately, our virtual appointments could not take place due to internet issues please see your class teacher to arrange a conversation.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week beginning 15th November–Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 26th November– INSET– No children in school today

Sunday 19th December– Parish Carol Concert

Tuesday 21st December– Break up for Christmas

CHRISTMAS

We are currently planning our Christmas celebrations. There will be some changes to our normal programme of events and please be aware that changes or even cancellations may need to take place at the last minute. We are still in uncertain times and we must still be very cautious.

ADVENT SERVICES will take place in church. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will take it in turns to lead each service. The services will not be attended by the rest of the school. Parents will be invited but we ask that only two parents attend for each child. Parents will be requested to wear facemasks. (All Catholic churches are currently still following the advice to wear facemasks.) Dates to follow.

Year 1 Pantomime– Year 1 will be attending the Pantomime on Monday 6th December

Reception and Nursery– on either Monday 6th or Wednesday 8th December, Reception and Nursery will be visiting Croxteth Hall Farm.

ST MARGARET MARY'S CHURCH

Masses will take place on Thursdays at 10.00a.m.

Saturdays at 5.30p.m. and Sundays at 10.00a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturday at 5pm

Please follow this link for the parish newsletter

[St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School - Parish Newsletters \(stmargaretmarysinfant.com\)](http://stmargaretmarysinfant.com)

Baptisms Please contact Fiona and Laura, our co-ordinators, by email: smmbaptisms@outlook.com

POPPIES

We will be commemorating Remembrance Day on Thursday 11th November. Poppies and other items will be for sale through the school office from Monday.

Zip pull 50p
Reflector 50p
Wristband £1
Snapbands £1.50

Other items are also available.



Poppy Poppy



Poppy poppy what do you say?
Wear me on Remembrance Day.

Poppy poppy what do you tell?
Many soldiers in battle fell.

Poppy poppy what should we
know?

That peace on earth should
grow, grow, grow.

FREE – 3 week course Story Sacks



We would like to invite parents and carers of children age from Nursery to Year2 to join in with our **FREE 3 WEEK** Storysacks course.

The sessions will be fun and informal and will:

- Give parents ideas for how they can ensure learning activities are successful;
- Give parents ideas about how to engage children with reading and bring books to life;
- Give parents an opportunity to make and play fun activities with their child;
- Show parents how to make puppets and props to support story telling.

All resources will be provided **FREE OF CHARGE**
Sessions will be for one hour per week via Zoom, starting week of 8th November

To book a place, choose the session which suits you best and contact the relevant person, giving your name and contact number:

Sharon Fitzgerald - 07825 117 499 Sharon.fitzgerald@knowsley.gov.uk for
Tuesday sessions 10-11am starting 9th November

Vicky Powell - 07825 117 487 victoria.powell@knowsley.gov.uk for
Wednesday sessions 1-2pm starting 10th November

Ann Curley - 07825 117 482 ann.curley@knowsley.gov.uk for
Thursday sessions 10-11am starting 11th November