



St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

Thursday 27th September 2018

Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through

Worship Reflections

It may be hard to imagine, but 20 years ago, information was accessed in very different ways! Technological advances have meant that we are able to quickly find answers to questions and have a wealth of knowledge at our fingertips. It is important to remember to evaluate what we find, thinking about where it's come from and using sites we can trust.

Lord,

Help us to embrace technology and appreciate the incredible speed at which we can gain information. Help us grow in wisdom so that we know which sites are suitable and can be trusted.

Amen.

Birthdays this week

Happy birthday this week to:

Daniel Marland

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Just a reminder that it's the MacMillan Coffee Morning on tomorrow Friday 28th September at 9am. All donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated on the day to sell and it would be lovely to see you all if you can make it?

School Meals

We will be on Week 3 of the menu next week. Please remember that the school meal has now increased to £2.30 when making your payment on Parentmail.

Headlice

It is now that time of year and would remind everyone to be vigilant with their children and to check for Headlice on a regular basis please.

Pobble

Monday sees the launch of our exciting new writing initiative, Pobble. As well as providing children with many exciting writing opportunities Pobble allows work to be published online so that the world can see your child's work. Children use each other's examples for ideas and teachers can use the examples to teach specific objectives. There is an assessment tool to this initiative which the teachers have access to but no marks or grades will ever be published. We are hoping that it will inspire our children, especially are more reluctant writers.

Termly Toolkit

Thank you to everyone who came along on Thursday night to see how best they can help their child in the term ahead. The feedback from parents was extremely positive. I am sure this new way of working will make homework less of a strain for you so if you could not attend please read the pack that has been sent home. The next one will be on the first week back after Christmas.

Tables and Chairs

Over the summer we kitted out Year 5 with a class set of new tables and chairs. Some of the tables and chairs are okay to be reused if anyone would like them? I was thinking for a workshop or a garage they may be useful. I have tried offering them to charity but no one has use for them. Please let us know if you would like to come and have a look at them. It would be a shame to throw them.

Mrs Gallagher

Merit Winners

Congratulations this week to:

Reception Class – Merits will be awarded in a few weeks when the children have settled in.

Year 1 – **Elsie Cross** for fabulous work describing the characters from *Lost and Found* and **Carmen Wan** for being a fabulous Mathematician working with tens and units.

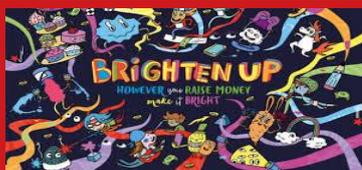
Year 2 – **Olivia Dos Santos** for fabulous challenge maths work on three digit place value & partitioning and **Bella Butcher** for amazing spelling work.

Year 3 – **Christian Bly** for answering well in maths and **Alfie Kevill** for always trying hard in lessons.

Year 4 – **Helena McLintic** for being a super role model in Year 4 & **Connor McMullan** for super work during French.

Year 5 – **Alice Jones** for her fantastic efforts in French & for supporting her peers and **Thomas McGarry** for being a super role model, always listening and helping others.

Year 6 – **Alfie Hull** for his brilliant understanding of place value in Maths and **Libby Shaw** for making a fantastic impression throughout school.



What?

Brighten Up for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day.
Wear your brightest, funkiest clothes and trainers to school, jazz up your hair bobbles and 'don' those stripy socks!

When?

Friday October 5th

Why?

We are asking you to help make the world a brighter place for communities living in extreme poverty.

Who?

Everyone in the school community is invited to join in.

How?

Give up something that you would normally have on Family Fast Day - such as toast or sweets and donate the money that you would have spent to CAFOD.

If you are able to, please could you also consider donating a tin of 'brightness' for our local foodbank - tomatoes or mandarins, sweetcorn or peas, carrots or pasta sauce?

THANK YOU

Words of the Week

This year we are all seeking to expand our vocabularies to help our children to be even better writers. Please encourage them to use these words. Older children may well be motivated to learn the adult words.

Reception	beautiful
Year 1	appealing
Year 2	elegant
Year 3	enticing
Year 4	angelic
Year 5	ravishing
Year 6	bewitching
Adult	exquisite

