



# St Mary Magdalen's Newsletter

Letting the Light of Jesus Shine Through

## Worship Reflections

Tolerance:

We learn new things all the time. There are always new skills, techniques and facts to learn. We can also learn to keep ourselves safe and to be a good friend. We are lucky there are so many people helping us to learn and we can help others to learn too.

Lord,

Help us to see the learning opportunities that are all around us – in the places that we visit and the people who we meet. Life is a learning journey. Give us strength to make a difference to those around us.

Amen.

## Birthdays this week

*Happy birthday this week to:*

Darcey Morris, Eve Morris, Lewis Singleton, Ellie Chester, Harriet Clarke, Kiana Thorpe & Chantelle So.

## School Meals

*We will be on Week 3 of the menu when we return after half term.*

## Celebration of Friendship

*There are only a few tickets remaining for the Celebration of Friendship for Year 5.*

## Half term Holiday

*School will close at the usual time of 3.15pm tomorrow for the half term holiday. We will re-open on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February at the usual time of 8.50am.*

Thank you to everyone who took the time and trouble to talk about our school on Ofsted's Parentview site, we really appreciate it. I know some of you struggled but don't worry I had the results of previous questionnaires to show the inspector.

The report will be published in the next couple of weeks. As I explained in my letter before Christmas the grading cannot change in a one day inspection but we can hope they come back soon for a two day inspection.

Thank you for the lovely comments you have made about my article in the Lancashire Post last Saturday. I was happy to write the article to counteract some of the nasty league table reports in the press which could potentially damage some schools. I have had some lovely comments sent to me from parents of pupils of Kingsfold and of course the staff in a number of these schools. If you missed it you can find it online here:

<https://www.lep.co.uk/news/how-to-decide-on-the-best-school-for-your-child-1-9589704>

Have a wonderful half term break.

Mrs Gallagher

## Merit Winners

*Congratulations this week to:*

No Merits handed out this last week because of the Maths Workshop for KS1.

## PTFA Bags to School

*There is a 'Bags to School' collection on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February from 8-9am**. If anyone is planning on having a clear out over the half term, these are the items that are collected:-*

*Mens, ladies & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties, jewellery, lingerie, socks, belts, soft toys, household linen, household curtains, household towels & household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases & duvet covers) They will not accept old school uniform, duvets and blankets, pillows and cushions etc. All proceeds will go to the PTFA for school. Thank you.*

## Parents Evening – 7<sup>th</sup> March

*The Parents Evening booking system on Parentmail will go live this evening at 6pm for you to book your appointment.*

## 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	frightened
Year 1	fearful
Year 2	alarmed
Year 3	panicked
Year 4	startled
Year 5	spooked
Year 6	petrified
Adult	timorous

