



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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with Christ at its centre"*

Autumn Term 1

Head teacher: Mrs L. Concannon

Message from the Headteacher ...

Dear Parents,

We will be celebrating the harvest with a service in school at 10am tomorrow. The children in Years 5 and 6 will be leading the service with the children in Year 2 bringing up the offering. We would like all children to dress in brightly coloured clothing for the CAFOD celebration of Brighten up for Harvest time. The school will be collecting donations of tinned food for the local food bank and £1.00 donations for CAFOD (this can be via Parent Pay or with cash). Thank you to all that donated on our wear yellow for mental health awareness day, over £140 pounds was raised.

Our next Mass in church will be on Friday 10th November and it will be the day the school marks Remembrance. The school will be putting together a display of the children's work on Remembrance and poppies will be sold to raise money for the Royal British Legion.

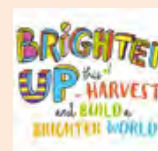
The school closes at the end of the day on Friday for the half term holiday. Food vouchers will be sent out to those who are entitled. After school clubs will be loaded for the new term by Friday.

Have a lovely half term,
Laura Concannon.

Important dates to note...

Dates for the Diary:

- **Friday 20th October:** Harvest Service in school 10am Years 5 and 6- Dress down Brighten up for Harvest.
- **Monday 6th November:** Road safety and Internet safety workshops. Heights and Weights check years R and 6
- **Friday 10th November:** Remembrance Mass 10am in church/ Movies and munchies night 6-8pm
- **Thursday 23rd November:** Whole school Belgrade Theatre Trip for a Christmas Panto production of Cinderella



Safeguarding lead: Mrs Concannon

Deputy Safeguarding lead: Mrs Vale

Oxford Castle

The children in Carpenters class had a fantastic day exploring Oxford Castle as part of the new topic 'Crime and Punishment. Please follow the link in the email for the gallery.

From pillories to porridge! Pupils will explore the theme of Crime and Punishment over a wide period of time. Using objects, documents and costume they can find out more about changing attitudes to Crime and how criminals have been captured and punished over the years.

After school clubs Autumn 2

Monday: Cooking and Football.

Tuesday: Love Ballet Dance

Wednesday: Arts and Crafts

Thursday: Fencing (link to be sent out)

Friday: RS only

Rising stars runs every day. Clubs

will run to the last day of term

Wednesday 20th December.

Forest School

After the half term break children in Carpenters class and then Shepherds will be attending forest school sessions. Children will need water proof trousers, wellingtons, gloves, hats, coats and no scarfs! Please ensure you have completed the form sent out this week.



Cadbury's World

The children in Shepherds class had a fantastic day exploring Cadbury's World as part of the Maya topic.

Bring your topic to life with our curriculum-linked talk, presented in our themed education rooms by our dedicated team. We will introduce the great city of Chichen Itza and discover the Mayan myths and legends that claimed how humans were created. See our real cocoa pods filled with the cocoa beans that were so valuable to Mayans in c. AD 900, and the wooden whisk they used to make their favourite chocolate drink. Lucky pupils can even have the chance to dress as a Mayan! Please follow the link in the email for the gallery.



Value focus : Peace

Peace I leave with you
My peace I give unto you ..
Let not your heart be troubled

John 14:27



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The ROCK residential

Thank you for attending the information session on the residential trip for years 5 and 6. The deposit is now live on parent pay. Further details can be found on the Rock website. <https://rockuk.org/centres/frontier-centre/>

If decide that your child will not be attending then please do not pay the deposit as it is non refundable.

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