

# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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with Christ at its centre"

Autumn 1

Head teacher: Mrs L. Concannon

## Message from the Headteacher ...

Dear Parents,

We have had a very busy week. Thank you to all that were able to attend the information sessions. If you were unable to attend handouts will be given out to pupils this week. I will be uploading the presentations to the 'Class pages' on the school website so please do take a look.

The children in the Foundation stage really enjoyed the first 'Activator Sport session'. These will run for a period of six weeks and they are great way of introducing the children to sport in school.

Mrs Morgan is our school Mental Health lead (Policy can be found on the school website) and is always looking for ways of supporting well-being in school. We have secured a five week well-being music programme for KS1 and KS2 who will each have a session once a week. We look forward to sharing with you all that the children learn and the fun that they have!

A big thank you to our local policing team who delivered lots of workshops in school this week including; Blue Butterfly, Road Safety and Internet Safety. We are also hoping to secure a visit to Hazard Alley to complete workshops on site safety and train safety which is very relevant at this time with all the HS2 works around the village.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Laura Concannon

## Important dates to note...

### Dates for the Diary

- Friday 13th September- New School Year Mass Year 3/4 10am.
- Tuesday 17th September- Warwick Castle trip for Carpenters Class
- Tuesday 24th September- Flu spray
- Thursday 26th September- Cross Country KS2
- Friday 27th September- Individual and Family photos from 8:15am (Siblings outside of school first)
- Monday 30th September- Bikeability for Year 5

Running every Monday for six weeks is the Activate sports session for the Foundation stage (Farmers Class)  
Every Tuesday is Forest School session for Foundation stage and KS1.  
Well-Being NMPAT music sessions every Wednesday for KS1 and KS2 for five weeks.

Safe Guarding Lead: Mrs Laura Concannon

Deputy Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Vale

Mental Health Lead: Mrs Morgan

MASH team: <https://nctrust.co.uk/report-a-concern-or-request-support/>  
0300 126 7000

The 'Worry boxes' were reintroduced to all pupils today and teachers are busy implementing strategies suggested by the Mental Health team on our training day.

### Rock Steady

We are thrilled that so many have come forward to join Rock School. Individual emails are being sent out to parents that registered an interest, please complete the on line registration. You are then able to create a profile and log in page to look at the time of your child's lesson, the band and the instrument. As a school we can access this timetable but we cannot make changes. Sessions will begin after half term.



### NMPAT Well-Being Music Sessions

The school was able to secure five weeks of well-being session for children in KS1 and KS2. All children in both key stages will attend at no cost to parents. The sessions provide a mixture of music-making, drama games, listening, with a focus on team building and having creative fun together with no performance goals.

### Bikeability

In the summer term last year we sent out information and slips for Bikeability sessions that will begin on Monday 30th September for children in Year 5. If your child is new to Year 6 and you would like them to take part as they may not have done at their previous school please contact the school office. Please inform the school office if you child will not be attending the sessions. Children will need to bring in their bikes (Helmets etc) and can keep them on the school playground over night. We would advise the use of a bike lock to secure the bikes to the fence. Bikes are left at your own risk.

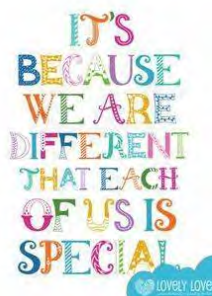
### Timetable change for Carpenters Class

Due to the NMPAT well-being sessions taking place the children in Carpenters Class will have sport on a Tuesday afternoon for 5 weeks, this begins on Tuesday 24th September. PE kits should be in school every day.

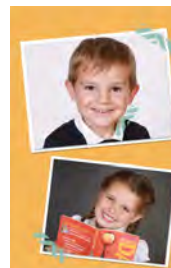
### New Courts

Mr Causebrook has put together a new design for our playground. In three weeks time we will have three new Courts marked out, utilising all available space.

## Value focus: Unity



### School Photographs



It's school photo time!

Friday 27th September  
2024

So don't forget...

Clean uniforms, tidy hair and your best smile!

Please keep in touch:

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