



Weekly Newsletter - Friday 25th February 2022 - Spring 2 Term

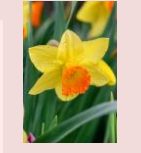
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Safeguarding Statement: This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

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Safeguarding Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Miss F Sullivan & Miss E Bryant, Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond



Dear Parents and Carers,

For those of us who are fortunate to have family and friends close by, we thank Our Lord for this blessing. For others who are alone or have family many miles away, please know that we are here to give you company and welcome you as part of St Mary's community.

It is hoped that as we move forward, we will be able to welcome parents whose English may be a second language into school by inviting you to a coffee morning later on in the term. This will give you the opportunity to engage more closely with the school and be given the time to have a greater understanding of school routines and expectations.

We also think about our brothers and sisters living in countries where there is war - some of which we have seen reported in the media this week. Our hearts go out to you with sympathy and we will remember to include you all in our prayers. Some of this may have affected pupils in our care, if this is the case, we ask for you to make contact with the staff so we can offer support if needed.

At school, it is our expectation that when we see a child alone on the playground -we reach out to them, perhaps this same principle can be applied to adults at drop off or pick up times. Make a difference to the life of an adult who may need some comfort and care. As we enter Lent - this is the perfect time.

Spirituality

Sunday 27th February 2022 - 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Lent begins this week as we begin our preparations for Easter. 'Celebrated at Home' have many ideas on their website which support Catholic families all year round. This link will take you straight to their Journey through Lent newsletter. It is full of useful ideas and links which you may like to share at home. Many of the ideas are for teenagers and adults, so please take a look.

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Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the day which marks the beginning of Lent, a season of prayer, fasting and good works/giving to others. This year we will be supporting the Catholic Children's Society's Lent Appeal, "One Community". Inspired by Pope Francis' call to support everyone's mental health by building a 'culture of community', all the money raised through this appeal will support the charity's work with local disadvantaged children and families. In the coming days your child will be bringing home a purple and orange Catholic Children's Society donation box. Please put it somewhere prominent at home and encourage your child to remember others in their prayers and in their giving during the 40 days of Lent. Boxes with donations inside should be returned to school after Easter - at the beginning of the summer term. Thank you for your support for this important social justice outreach.

Table Talk Topic of the Week: What makes a house a home?

News for the week

Attendance

The attendance
Figures for w/c
25/02/2022

Infants Juniors
94.8% 94.2%

Our target is:
97.4%

Get well soon to those
children off unwell.

Stars of the week

R Fox	Ampiaba A
R Squirrel	Jacob I
R Hedgehog	Georgia A
1 Wren	Sienna M
1 Sparrow	Rei D
1 Robin	Charlotte D
2 Heron	Olivia S
2 Jay	Darcey D
2 Woodpecker	Izabella K

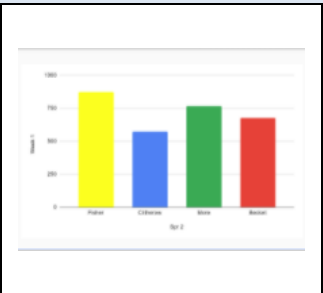
Housepoints

Clitheroe
Scored: 572

Fisher
Scored: 678

More
Scored: 767

Becket
Scored: 872



Sports News

On Monday evening, the boys A football team took part in a match against Tweeddale Primary School. The boys played so well together, representing their school community with dignity and hard work. They won the game 4-0, with a variety of goal scorers on the sheet. Thank you very much to all the parents and family members who came along to the game to support us, it's always great to see so many families enjoying these opportunities alongside the boys. As ever, the boys made us very proud.

On Wednesday evening, both the girls A and B netball team took part in a netball match against Cheam Common. These games are such a fantastic opportunity for the girls to meet new people and put their hard work into practice. Our A team managed to win their game 4-2 and the B team narrowly missed out by only 2 goals. Both games were fantastic to watch. Thank you so much to all the family members who came to support. Well done girls, you made us very proud.

On Thursday afternoon, both boys football teams took to the pitches of Carshalton Athletic to play the teams at the top of the league. Although we did not manage a win, we scored some excellent goals, with new goal scorers ensuring they got themselves onto the score sheets. With so many boys from our school playing, we had fantastic support from all the families. It was great to see so many siblings from all different year groups supporting the school. Well done boys on playing a tough game, you all did so well!

I had a visitor this week who came to show me a medal they had won at a gymnastics competition. Ava was very proud to share her achievements with me and I loved hearing all about them! It's so wonderful to hear about all your sporting successes outside of school and a great opportunity to share our talents. I was thrilled to learn about this achievement and I hope many other pupils share these with myself and their class. Well done Ava!

E-Safety - Symbol of the week



- If you create or appear in live content, you give Snapchat the Unrestricted, worldwide right to use your name likeness and voice **Forever**
 - Including in forms of media that **haven't been invented yet.**
- You give Snapchat the right to host, store, use, display, reproduce, modify, adapt, edit, publish, and distribute your content.

Wednesday Word

Please click on the link below to access the weekly Wednesday Word:

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