

ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter - Autumn 4 | 29th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Today's Assembly

1 577 600 000 1/5 ... in poverty

Today in our Assembly, we discussed the forthcoming Harvest Festival and reminded ourselves of how fortunate we are to live in a country where food is on our plates, when nearly 20% of the world's population live in extreme poverty.

Dates for your diaries

Monday 2nd October - The PTA AGM 7.30pm in the school hall – All invited

Wednesday 4th October – Harvest Mass – Year 5 to lead – 9.30am

Thursday 5th October - Teacher Appreciation Day

Friday 6th October – Year 6 Cake Sale

Week Commencing 9th October – Year 6 residential trip to Isle of Wight

Monday 9th October - Pre-loved Uniform and Halloween Costume Sale

Tuesday 10th October - New Parents' Open Day 2-3pm

Thursday 12th h October - Pre-loved Uniform and Halloween Costume Sale

Friday 13th October – Year 5 Cake Sale

Tuesday 17th October - Parents' Evening 3.40-5.40pm

Thursday 19th October - Parents' Evening 5-7pm

Friday 20th October – Autumn Disco

Week Commencing 23rd October – Half Term

Harvest Festival Mass

Our Harvest Festival Mass will be celebrated on **Wednesday the 4th October at 9.30am**. thank you for your donations of non-perishable produce this morning. If you would still like to contribute your donations will be warmly welcomed between now and Wednesday.

Pupil of the Week Award

Reception – Fergus – For being so kind and thoughtful to a special friend this week

Year 1 – Ava – For her willingness to try new things and her perseverance

- **Year 2 –** Gabriel For trying his best and persevering when he finds things tricky.
- Year 3 James For his exceptional maths' skills and working well with his partner
- **Year 4** Lucie For the most wonderful start to the year
- Year 5 Emilia For always being such a kind friend
- **Year 6 –** Elodie For setting an excellent example to the class with her good behavior and hard work.

Tag Rugby

Here are three accounts from some of our wonderful pupils who attended Tag Rugby this week:

Cara

'I loved going to Tag Rugby. It was really fun and we had a really nice team. Hassan was really encouraging and kept us going. The person who organized it was really kind and the referee was very fair. I felt proud and happy. We scored a few tries and pulled a few tags! The coaches for the other school were kind and very nice. But some of the pother schools were harder but I was fine with a bit of a challenge. I tried my best and so did my team and played as fairly as we could. They were very tough times but we kept going.'

Oriana

On Tuesday we went to a rugby competition. It was fun. We got to play three games. We didn't win but it was worth it. The pitch was very big so we had lots of space to run in.

Elena

When I went to Tag Rugby, it was fun. Hassan kept our team going and we all tried our very best and we got hot and sweaty but it was definitely worth it. We made tries and we did excellent passes and we were really fast. We played really well and the court was really big so we had a lot of space to run in. The teams were very tough and competitive. We played three games against three schools. The lady who organized it was very nice and also kept us going. She, Hassan and the referee told us the rules and said what was going on at the time, so we all knew. We had fun every second and going there and coming back was an adventure too. We were disappointed that we had to leave but happy too because we could tell our class all the good news. It was the most amazing thing ever!



PTA Notices:

Thanks for all your generous donations this morning for Harvest Festival Food Collection.

There is much excitement to see that Amy, Merdith and Lucy are back in full swing with their first event for the academic Year - The Great Mary Mags International Food Market on Sunday 5th November between 12 midday and 3pm. So far there are Ukrainian, Hungarian, South African, Australian, Brazilian food stalls. If you would like to get involved, please let your class rep now asap. It promises to be a great event.

The School Autumn Disco with Miss Alice from Petit Performers will be happening on Friday 20th October, if you would like to help with this event, please reach out to your class rep.

The PTA AGM will be happening on Monday, 2nd October at 7.30pm in the school. Please come along if you want to learn more about the PTA and the events coming up this academic year. Being part of the PTA is a great way to help raise funds to improve our children's school. Due to work and personal commitments three key positions becoming available on the PTA - Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.

Thanks to all those who have signed up to monthly PTA contributions, your generosity will help the PTA to continue support the school. If can afford to donate between £10-£30 each month we would encourage to set-up a monthly standing order, account details below. This will help ensure we can meet our yearly funding to the school. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

St Mary Magdalen's RC School PTA Sort Code 20-72-33 Account Number 20322822

Regards,

PTA

(Alison, Clare, Fran M, Fran S, Gabi and Astrid)

Have a lovely weekend.

John Conway Headteacher