



St. Patrick's R.C. Primary School - Newsletter

23rd September 2022

Tel: 0161-834-9004

Weekend Masses: Vigil Mass - Saturday, 6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's

9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's

Parish Website: <https://stpatricksliveseyst.yolasite.com/>

School Website: www.st-patricks.manchester.sch.uk

Facebook page: [St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Primary School, Manchester](https://www.facebook.com/St.Patrick's-Roman-Catholic-Primary-School-Manchester)



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If there is any parent who wishes their child to be baptised, please contact the Parish Priest of the parish in which you live. If you live within the boundaries of this parish, please see Father Paul after one of the weekend Masses listed above. Alternatively, Father Paul can be contacted on 07764791889 or at Paul.Daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Our Statement to live by next week is:

'I can say how I feel.'



SHARING IS CARING: In this Sunday's Gospel we read about poor Lazarus, suffering at the rich man's gate - and the rich man does nothing to help him. It's easy for us to become so caught up in the busyness of life that we don't even notice the needs of others or, worse still, ignore them. But Jesus repeatedly teaches us about fairness, sharing and kindness to others, particularly to the poor. Pope Francis reminds us that "A simple lifestyle is good for us, helping us to better share with those in need." The question of a successful life is "How did I use what God had given me to help others?" So, let's not put off until tomorrow the good that we can do today.

"Give something, however small, to the one in need.

For it is not small to one who has nothing.." (St Gregory Nazianzus)

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTER: The attendance for last week is below and the classes which surpassed our whole school attendance target (97%+) are highlighted in green. They were rewarded with an extra 5 minutes play time this week... so well done to them! Competition for the winning class for the highest attendance in September is hotting up and next week is already the last week of the month!! Please try to encourage your child to become an attendance HERO (Here, Every day, Ready and On time).



Nursery: 88%	Reception: 91.6%	Year 1: 88.5%	Year 2: 91.1%
Year 3: 98.1%	Year 4: 95.5%	Year 5: 97.4%	Year 6: 98.5%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 96.3%			



PRAYER AND WORSHIP: It was wonderful to gather together to celebrate our first school Mass of the academic year on Wednesday morning. Thank you to all of those that came along to celebrate with the children. Please take note of the following dates of Masses at Church. As always, parents are welcome to join us.

Wednesday, 12th October - Class Mass for Years 2, 4 and 6 - 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, 23rd November - Class Mass for Years 1, 3 and 5 - 9:15 a.m.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME: Mrs Clinton and Father Paul have put some dates in the diary for the Sacramental Programme this year and Sister Anne will be able to give more information to parents at their first meeting on Monday. This meeting will take place in church at 7.00 p.m. However, the first date parents need to know is:

Sunday, 9th October: Rite of Presentation at 9.30 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's Church

READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: Enjoy bedtime stories. Read with your child at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them. Sharing a book at bedtime helps develop your child's vocabulary, gets them used to the idea of regular reading, and gives you both a great opportunity to bond.



COMMUNICATION: The deadline for parent contact update forms is today. For those parents who have yet to complete the form, please return it to school as soon as possible. Spare forms are available from the school office. Whilst our Admin Team process all of the forms, the weekly newsletter will continue to go home as a hard copy with each child on a Friday afternoon. Once processed, the newsletter will be communicated to parents via email from the school email address: communications@st-patricks.manchester.sch.uk

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS: Your child will have received their school photo last week. On this form will be all the details on how to order and pay online. There is no way to order through school any longer. Orders should be placed online by 2nd October for free delivery to school. Orders placed after this date will incur a delivery charge and will be sent directly to your home.

SCHOOL MEALS: The price of a school meal is £2.35 per day / £11.75 per week. Please make every effort to pay a week in advance through Pay360 (formally SIMSPay). Please remember to inform the School Office if you wish to make any changes to your child's meals arrangements. Two weeks' notice should be given if they are changing from school meals to bringing their own packed lunch.



After School



Sport Clubs

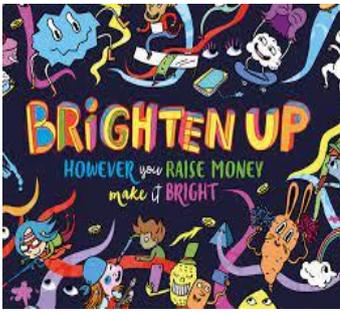
AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS: A polite reminder that the after school sports clubs started this week. Pupils that have submitted a registration form are expected to attend each week and are asked to bring in an appropriate sports kit with suitable trainers to get changed into before the session starts. We are off to a great start and the children have selected tag rugby as their activity this term.

- Pupils in Years 1, 2 and 3 on a Wednesday afternoon from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 on a Thursday afternoon from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPS!: Some of our Year 5 & 6 elite runners were selected to participate in the North area championships earlier this week and they didn't disappoint us. Our teams scored really well in comparison to the other schools and Mr Eaglestone was delighted with the sheer determination and resilience shown from our runners. They were also a great support to each other cheering each other on and encouraging team members when the going got tough. Well done children and the action shots are on our facebook page. Thank you to Mr Eaglestone for giving up his time to take the children.

LALLEY CENTRE APPEAL: We will be supporting the Lalley Centre again this year as part of our Harvest Fast Day tradition. They are appealing for any tinned or dry food. All donations will go directly to the Lalley Centre to be distributed to families in our local community. Therefore, during the week commencing Monday, 3rd October our charity prefects will be collecting any donations from the children. Thank you for your continued support.





BRIGHTEN UP FOR CAFOD: As a school community, we are always proud to support the magnificent work that CAFOD do. Around the world, one in three people have gone hungry in the last year. Harvest Fast Day this year is on **Friday, 7th October** and CAFOD have invited us to participate by fundraising for their World Food Crisis appeal and supporting our global family. We are asking the children to come into school in their brightest and most colourful clothing on that day and are asking for donations of 50p per pupil or £1 per family. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

FACEBOOK: If you aren't doing so already, please 'like' our page on Facebook so you can keep up to date with all of the latest news! Teachers will be posting about what the class are up to during the week and they'll post photos also! Search us as **St. Patrick's Manchester** and we should pop up!



SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II (RIP), His Majesty, King Charles III and the Royal Family, Sophy Mitchell (RIP) family and friends, Tommy Farrell (RIP), Sister Philomena, Anne Clarke, Miss McCorkell, Rose Usher, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul, the Presentation Sisters, the Missionaries of Charity Brothers and all other private intentions at this time.

Reflection:

*May our lives reflect our faith,
Being generous in giving,
And grateful in receiving,
Being a blessing as we are blessed.*

Stay with us, Lord... on our journey.