



WEEKEND MASSES - Come to the table, everyone is welcome!

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

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

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. at St. Malachy's

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 KNOW WHEN TO ASK FOR HELP AND WHO TO ASK FOR HELP FROM'



FAMILY: In the Gospel this weekend, we hear Jesus saying how our openness and obedience to God is a sign that we belong to his family. Jesus taught us that we are all children of God and we should live as brothers and sisters to each other. We show that we are part of Jesus' family by listening to his teaching and trying our best to follow it - by obeying God's will for our lives. Jesus was filled with love because of his closeness and obedience to God. Our families are filled with love too when we stay close to God. Each of you choose one way to bring more of God's love into your family this week. Perhaps think about how can you show that same love to someone who is not in your immediate family too?

"All God's children, of every people and language, are invited and called to be part of this great family, as brothers and sisters and sons and daughters of the one Father in heaven." (Pope Francis)

ATTENDANCE MATTERS: The results for the winning class with the highest attendance for May were announced on Monday! Congratulations to Year 6!! The children were rewarded with a well-earned ice-cream party this afternoon. The slate has now been wiped clean for the month of June so good luck to all!

Please try to encourage your child to become an attendance HERO (**H**ere, **E**very day, **R**eady and **O**n time). We continue to ask parents/carers to keep us informed about children's absences so that we know they are safe. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



Nursery: 94.9%	Reception: 94.4%	Year 1: 93.1%	Year 2: 88.9%
Year 3: 89.4%	Year 4: 95.2%	Year 5: 93.5%	Year 6: 97.5%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 93.3%			

CURRICULUM NEWS: It's been another really busy week across many areas of our broad and balanced curriculum. The Year 5 pupils have been studying the Mayan civilisation and even became archaeologists for the day on Tuesday! The Year 3 class have loved their Maths lessons with Miss McEwan and Miss Cusick this week as they've been spending money in the class shop! On Wednesday, Years 1-6 took part in a special cricketing workshop organised by Lancashire Cricket Club and everybody learnt new skills about batting, bowling and fielding and had lots of fun along the way! Why not visit our school Facebook page to see what your child's class has been learning about this week?



ASSESSMENT WEEK: Now that the Year 6 SATs have been completed, it's time for the rest of the children in the school to sit some tests in reading, writing, mathematics, grammar and spelling. These assessments are certainly not anything for the children to become anxious about. The teachers will be able to see from the results what additional work needs to be done this half term and the outcomes of the tests will help them to report progress on their child's end of year reports to parents.



EYFS END OF YEAR TRIP: We're now into the half term where the children will get to go on an end of year trip with their friends and teachers as a reward for all of their hard work this academic year. So first of all, our EYFS children had a fantastic time at Smithills Farm in Bolton. There were donkey rides and tractor rides as well as seeing all of the usual animals that you would expect to see on a working farm. After a day in the fresh air and with all of that excitement, there were some sleepy heads on the coach ride home!! Thank you to all of the staff who attended and also those parents/carers who volunteered to go along to support the children.

EYFS STAY AND PLAY: A reminder to all of our Nursery and Reception parents. There will be a 'Stay and Play' workshop on Wednesday, 12th June at 9:15 a.m. in the school hall. These have been extremely well attended this year and many parents have reported how useful they found the sessions to be to support their child's development at home. Please do come along!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: A reminder to those parents/carers of children receiving their First Holy Communion on **Sunday, 16th June.** Please be at St. Patrick's Church for 9:15 a.m.

READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is... **MAKE TIME TO READ!** Research shows that reading with your child for as little as 10 minutes a day can significantly boost how well they do at school. Set aside a regular time every day to read with your child, whether it's for 10 minutes when they get in from school or reading a bedtime story together. Little and often works best!

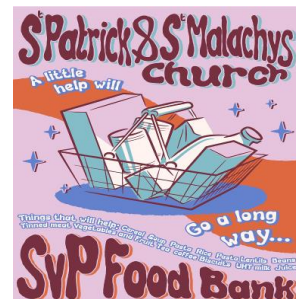


HERE TO HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING: Check you've received all the government's cost-of-living payments. The government's [cost-of-living payments](#) are available for those receiving certain benefits or tax credits. You don't need to apply for these - if you're eligible the money should go straight into your account. If you think you're due a payment but haven't received one, [report a missing payment](#) to the government. **Be aware of scams!** If you receive any emails, texts or phone calls asking you to fill in an application form or asking for your bank details to receive a cost-of-living payment, **do not talk to them or send a reply.**

ANYONE FOR TENNIS? The Northern Lawn Tennis Club is holding a FREE fun family Tennis day on Saturday, 8th June. The session will run from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. and is for children aged 4-10 years.

To book - email reception@thenorthern.co.uk

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: The SVP in our parish have launched a scheme to gather food supplies for people who find themselves in difficulty during the cost of living crisis. Their aim is to provide short term help so that people have space to get back on track. If you can spare any non perishable items they will be greatly appreciated - Tins, rice, pasta, soap, toothpaste, deodorant etc. can be dropped off at the back of St. Patrick's or St. Malachy's Church. Thank you for your support. If any parents feel they are at crisis point and would benefit from some help, please come and have a conversation with Mr Usher or Mrs Clinton. Everyone at some stage needs help so please don't struggle.



ONLINE-SAFETY TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: **KEEP THE LINES OF COMMUNICATION OPEN.**

- It's crucial to talk to your child regularly and openly about what they're doing online
- Encourage your child to tell you if they ever have a problem online. Help them come up with a plan of attack if they ever see anything online that makes them feel worried or unsure (e.g. tell an adult, close the tab, etc.)
- Work together with your child to help them navigate digital dilemmas. Reassure your child that you won't take away their devices if issues occur
- Many experts advise against using technology as rewards and punishments. You don't want your child to be discouraged from talking to you about problems due to the fear of being disconnected.



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: Margaret Banks, Margaret Williams, Angeline Holt, Alice Ritchie, Leanne Clegg, Jo Phillips, our Y3 children, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul & Father Moses, the Presentation Sisters, our children and staff, all those working with environment agencies, the homeless & rough sleepers, CAFOD, Caritas, the Lalley Centre and all other private intentions at this time.



2024 THE YEAR OF PRAYER: Pope Francis has declared 2024 as a special Year of Prayer. Here is a bedtime prayer for you to say with your children this week: **Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for your friendship and for all our friends. Help us to choose our friends wisely and to become better friends to them. We pray for our Y3 children as they prepare for their Holy Communion. Amen.**



DIARY DATES:

DATE	YEAR GROUP/S	ACTIVITY
Saturday, 8 th June	All families	Community Fair, University of Manchester (10.00 a.m. - 4.30 p.m.)
10 th - 14 th June	Years 1 -6	Assessment week
Wednesday, 12 th June	Nursery & Reception	Stay & Play with parents 9.15 a.m.
Thursday, 13 th June	Years 5 & 6	Workshop for parents & children on the dangers of knife crime - 9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 13 th June	Year 3	Rehearsal in church for Holy Communion
Sunday, 16 th June	Year 3	Holy Communion Mass for families - 9.15 a.m.
Wednesday, 19 th June	Years 1-6	Holy Communion Mass celebration, official photographer & party day for Y3 - 9.15 a.m.
Tuesday, 25 th June	Year 3	'Portals in the Past' History workshop at St. Edmund's school
Thursday, 27 th June	Year 1	Trip to Gulliver's World - £15
Friday, 28 th June	Year 6	8 children to compete 'in court'!
Monday, 1 st July	Year 3	Trip to Venture Out - £15
Wednesday, 3 rd July	Year 2	Trip to Bewilderwood - £15
Friday, 5 th July	Nursery & Reception	Stay & Play with parents
Sunday, 7 th July	Parish event	Madonna Del Rosario Procession 1.15 p.m. from St. Michael's Church, Ancoats
8 th -11 th July	Year 6	Residential to Aberdaron - £100
Tuesday, 9 th July	Year 4	Trip to Graystones - £15
Wednesday, 10 th July	Year 5	Trip to Venture Out - £15
Monday, 15 th July	All classes	'Moving on up' - transition day
Wednesday, 17 th July	Years 1 - 6	Final Mass for Y6 leavers - 9.15 a.m.
Wednesday, 17 th July	All classes	'Patsbury' music festival - 1.30 p.m. Dress ready to 'fest'
Friday, 19 th July	Final assemblies Children to wear full school uniform Nursery & Reception - 9.15 a.m. Years 1-6 - 11.00 a.m. School closes for the summer break - 1.00 p.m.	

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