



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

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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 CAN RECOGNISE COMFORTABLE & UNCOMFORTABLE FEELINGS.'



GOD'S KINGDOM: Our Catholic schools were built to help grow the Kingdom of God on Earth. We too are called to play our part; it's a commitment which brings many rewards. Like any good teacher, Jesus uses pictures or parables to make his teaching clearer. In this Sunday's Gospel, to explain God's Kingdom, Jesus uses images drawn from the fields around him.

This Gospel reminds us that Jesus came to establish a Kingdom - God's Kingdom of love. God loves all people equally and invites everyone to share in his Kingdom. Within our families, and everywhere we go, we can help to reveal God's Kingdom, sharing the love and peace which Jesus brought as he went teaching around the countryside.

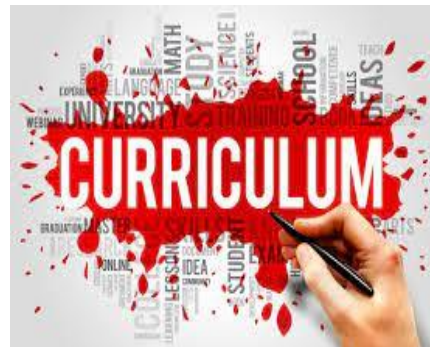
"The kingdom is hidden within you; it is found in your own soul." (St Isaac of Nineveh)

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTERS: The attendance figures for each class for last week can be found in the table below. Unfortunately, not one class managed to meet our whole school attendance target of 97%. We're already in the middle of June and the competition is very close to see which class will be the ice-cream party winners this month! Please help us to do our job by keeping us informed if your child is going to be absent from school and continue to encourage your child to become an attendance HERO (Here, Every day, Ready and On time). Thank you parents/carers for your continued support and cooperation.



Nursery: 94.1%	Reception: 94.3%	Year 1: 96.8%	Year 2: 95.2%
Year 3: 95.5%	Year 4: 95.2%	Year 5: 95.7%	Year 6: 94.3%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 95.1%			

CURRICULUM NEWS: It's been another really busy week across many areas of our broad and balanced curriculum. The children in Year 3 have been working scientifically to explore the force of friction on different surfaces. Reception have started their new topic all about materials and have been studying the properties of wood, metal, glass and plastic and Year 6 were treated to a very special workshop based on the Windrush, their historical understanding was really brought to life! Why not visit our school Facebook page to see what your child's class has been learning about this week?



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY: This coming Sunday is Father's Day. We wish all fathers and father figures in our school community a very happy and relaxing day. Put your feet up dads and let the children take the load!!

ASSESSMENT WEEK: The children in Years 1-5 have been busy sitting some tests in reading, writing, mathematics, grammar and spelling this week. 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 the end of year reports to parents.



END OF YEAR SCHOOL TRIPS: Everyone is getting very excited for the end of year school trips! Parents will be aware that all trips have been heavily subsidised by school and for budgeting purposes, the governors have decided that a reduced cost of £15 will be the cap for every pupil in Years 1-5. The deadline for payments has already passed and for those that still need to make payment, they can do so on School Gateway. Thank you to all parents/carers for supporting the staff in school with our 'Trip'le A challenge. The trips promise to be memorable occasions for all of our pupils so do look out on our Facebook page for lots of children having some well deserved fun and laughter!

YEAR 6 CAMPING TRIP TO NORTH WALES: Parents/carers of Year 6 pupils attending the camping trip to Aberdaron should have received the kit list by now and this should help families to start packing the necessary items. Most families have already started with their payment plan but if any parent/carer is struggling to budget, please call in at the school office and a member of our admin team will help you to set up a payment plan. The next meeting for parents will be on **Monday, 24th June** at 3:30 p.m. or 5:00 p.m. Attendance at this meeting is vital and parents will need to bring up to date medical records for their child and emergency contact details.



ITALIAN WALKS: The annual Italian Walks will take place on **Sunday, 7th July** and St. Patrick's Parish will be joining the procession. Traditionally, children who have recently made their First Holy Communion, get dressed into their communion outfits and join the procession with their parents. For any family that is interested, the procession will be departing from St. Michael's, Ancoats at 1:15 p.m.

EYFS STAY AND PLAY: Well done and thank you to all of our Nursery and Reception parents that came along on Wednesday morning! Our stay and play was all about the topic of buildings and everybody got involved with following instructions and building walls. The next stay and play session will be on Friday 5th July and the theme will be all about the Summer! The EYFS staff and children look forward to seeing you all there!



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: Usually it's cheaper to make lunch at home instead of buying food out and about. But over the last year, staple lunchtime ingredients have gone up in price at the supermarket. The BBC have gathered some top tips on how to keep costs down when making a packed lunch for work, school or a day trip. Click on the following link for 5 handy tips to save your family some money!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-65312394>

E-SAFETY TOP TIP: Don't ban your child from using technology. The media is full of scary stories about online risks for young people. However, it's important to not let potential problems stop you from letting your child use technology for their education and personal interests. We live in a digital world and that's not about to change. We need to remember that technology can enrich our lives in many ways when used well. Risks can be minimised when the whole household agrees to some solid strategies. Over the coming weeks, we will be sharing some of these strategies through our weekly newsletter.



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. Why not say the Lord's Prayer together as a family this week: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen**

DIARY DATES:

DATE	YEAR GROUP/S	ACTIVITY
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.
Monday, 24 th June	Year 6	Camping meeting for parents 3.30 p.m. or 5.00 p.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 pm 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.