

ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER – 3RD MARCH 2023

SCHOOL NEWS

We had a lovely day yesterday celebrating World Book Day – and thank you for your efforts in helping your children to dress up and impress us all with their book character costumes.



It was very difficult to choose class winners so we had a parade in assembly and then staff had to vote for their favourite costume. Miss Kay counted all the votes and here are the winners below, who all received a book prize: N – Amani, R – Evie, 1 – Rowan, 2 – Layla-Jai, 3 – Luke, 4 – Theo, 5 – Oakley and 6 – Melita. Congratulations everyone.



We also had a short story competition, took part in book related activities and children read with reading buddies from other year groups. All children are receiving a £1 book voucher, which can be exchanged at a range of stores, for a book on the World Book Day list.

We would also like to thank the parents and family members who came in to read with their children as part of our 'Reading Morning' – it was fantastic to see lots of reading going on in the classes.

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Thank you to our Reception and Y6 classes who both performed class assemblies this week, based on our theme of Lent. Well done to all the children involved. Our next assembly will be delivered by Y3 on Wednesday, 22nd March at 9.15am in the hall if families would like to join us.

MOBILE PHONES AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Please could parents be aware that mobile phones are not allowed to be used in school and must be out of sight. There is one exception - during assemblies and performances in the hall, you are able to photograph your own child, for your own memories. You must not, however, post any photos or video footage of children other than your own child, on social media, due to safeguarding and consent reasons. We thank you for your support in this matter.

ONLINE SAFETY

Mrs Townsend is currently advertising for some pupil Digital Leaders from KS2 who will help with our computing clubs and online safety education around school. This week our attached guide relates to the music streaming service SPOTIFY – users should be over 13 to access Spotify but Spotify Kids is available for younger children. We hope you find the guide useful.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week from last week and this week:

Nursery – Rosie-Leigh Kenyon and Rowan O'Rourke

Reception – Jaxon Dymont and Noah Walsh

Year 1 – Ava Dempsey and Rowan Gough

Year 2 – Kaylan O'Rourke and Yassine Rayhani

Year 3 – Mia Rowell and Mason Back

Year 4 – Liah Hamerand Michael Moore

Year 5 – Amelia Rae Flynn and Annabelle Gjeta

Year 6 – Jay Drinnan and Imogen Taylor

We are all proud of your hard work.



GROWTH MINDSET

Well done to our winners from last week and this week who have won certificates for two different themes: '**TRYING SOMETHING NEW**' and '**GRADUAL IMPROVEMENT**'.

Nursery – Lucas Woodrup and Cian Dunne

Reception – Lewis Halstead and Leighton Shaw

Year 1 – Rowan Gough and Ryker Hatch-Murdock

Year 2 – Yassine Rayhani and Amelia Hussain

Year 3 – Freddie Mellor and Lily Navin

Year 4 – Lacey-May Crossley and Ethan Hatch-Murdock

Year 5 – Junior Ticehurst and Maizy Dearden

Year 6 – Harvey Cunliffe and Melita Abela

Next week's theme will be '**GOOD LISTENING FOR LEARNING**'.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Here are our attendance figures for last week and this week. The winning classes will receive £10 for class treats.

Reception – 95.9% (Winner)

Year 1 – 91.9%

Year 2 – 94.2%

Year 3 – 93.3%

Year 4 – 93.3%

Year 5 – 94.2%

Year 6 – 92.4%

Weekly Overall School Attendance – 93.6%



EVENTS COMING UP

Next Wednesday the Lancashire Library Bus Book Exchange will be visiting.

Our local firefighters will also be popping in on Friday to talk to our Y2's about the Great Fire of London and to show our pupils the fire engine. They will be talking to Y6 about road sense.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK – Reading

