# ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY NEWSLETTER 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

Welcome back to our last half term of this academic year. The next few weeks will be very busy with completing units of work and final assessments, lots of trips and fun activities, and transition work preparing children for their next class. Nursery and Reception classes have had one of their transition mornings today, and there will be a class swap around on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June, where children will spend time with their new teachers. Mrs Rothwell, Mrs Oldham and Mrs Khatun will be leaving this July and we will be welcoming Miss McLaughlin as one of our new Assistant Heads and class teachers, and Mrs Fullerty as a new class teacher. Mrs Townsend will be returning from maternity leave.

The class set up will be as follows:-

Class	Teacher	Teaching support
Nursery	Mrs Burridge	Mrs Plant
Reception	Miss Duffy	Miss Rowley
Year 1	Miss Mills	Mrs Renzulli
Year 2	Miss Kay	Mrs Middleton
Year 3	Mrs Jackson	Miss Good Miss Raby
Year 4	Miss McLaughlin / Mrs Townsend	Mrs Marshall
Year 5	Mrs Fullerty	Miss James
Year 6	Miss Knowles	Mrs Barnes

Our Nursery class had an exciting day at Smithills Farm yesterday, and we were very lucky with the weather! Erica, the guide at Smithills, commented on the lovely behaviour of the children throughout the trip.



#### **GROWTH MINDSET**

Our word of the week this week has been **EXPLAINING** which is an important skill for our pupils to develop within their speech and writing. Well done to our worthy winners this week who are:

Nursery – Baariz Khan

Reception - Jaxon Edge

Year 1 - Thea Campbell

Year 2 - Lily Navin

Year 3 – Noah Chan

Year 4 – Sonny Fulljames

Year 5 - Charles Johnson

Year 6J - Derek Crowshaw

Year 6K - Jodie Dearden

Next week's phrase will be 'FINDING STRATEGIES'.

#### **SPORTS DAY**

Our annual Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm). Parents are welcome to watch the events during the morning and can join their children for a picnic lunch. Lessons will resume at 1.00 pm. If the weather is not suitable on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022, the reserve date for Sports Day is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. More details will follow in a letter.

### **ASSESSMENTS**

Well done to all the Y1 and Y2 pupils who did their phonics screening tests this week; Y4 who had their multiplication checks; and Y2 and Y6 who have been working extra hard to improve their writing before the end of the year.

#### **OPERATION ENCOMPASS**

Our school participates in Operation Encompass as part of our safeguarding procedures. Please see the attached letter for more information.

## **BACUP AND RAWTENSTALL GRAMMAR SCHOOL**

Last reminder for Y5 parents - applications for the entrance examination for BRGS need to be received by 21<sup>st</sup> June 2022.

## ONLINE SAFETY – Here is this week's Top Tip – No Pressure!

Only give children devices or access to devices that you feel comfortable with, and not as a result of peer-pressure deriving from their classmates/friends who are also using those devices. e.g. gaming systems and mobile phones at a young age.

# **STAR OF THE WEEK**

Nursery – Tobias Watson

Reception – Lucas Hanson

Year 1 – Fayelouise Johnson

Year 2 – Baazel Khan

Year 3 - Carly Wroughton

Year 4 – Scott Harris

Year 5 - Brayden Dearden

Year 6J – Crystal Drinnan

Year 6K – Jake Gough

## **ATTENDANCE**

Well done to all the children who received certificates in Assembly this morning for their excellent attendance last half term.

Congratulations to our first family hamper winner – Donna Lever (for Eva Johnson) – who has won our first Attendance Raffle. This will be a half termly event.

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

## Reception – 98.7% (Winner)

Year 1 - 89.0%

Year 2 - 94.3%

Year 3 - 94.3%

Year 4 - 86.9%

Year 5 - 94.3%

Year 6J - 94.8%

Year 6K - 94.2%

Weekly Overall School Attendance is 93.1%



# **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

During half term the feast of Pentecost was celebrated by Christians.

