

## Weekly Newsletter - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October - Autumn 1 Term

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Safeguarding Statement: This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

Lead Safeguarding Person Junior School: Miss M Kenny, Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.

Safeguarding Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Miss F Sullivan & Miss E Bryant Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond



Dear Parents and Carers,

How the weeks have run by quickly- it's hard to believe that we only have three weeks until half term with lots to fit in. Unfortunately, we have had several cases of pupils being tested as positive for COVID 19. We will send letters to the relevant year group but it's important we are sensitive to individual families during these continuing difficult times. However, we have much to look forward to in the coming weeks and the run up to December events.

We welcomed parents in once again for the Year 6 Privilege Tie Assembly. We were all delighted to be together especially to hear the lovely singing, this always makes us feel joyful. Hopefully we will have more fine weather over the weekend to enjoy - time for a final bit of gardening.

### Spirituality Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

We have been reflecting upon the example of St. Therese of Lisieux, whose feast day is 1st October, and trying to follow her example of doing little things with love -intentionally, each and every day.

St. Therese of the Child Jesus and of the Holy Face - pray for us.

The boys and girls in the newly formed Y6 Chaplaincy Team have got to work straight away and have been busy with Little Way Week (St. Therese of Lisieux) and for our times of prayer during break times and lunchtimes, which we are delighted to be restarting next week in the Chapel.

"I was in prison and you came to me." Mt. 25.35-36

Caritas invites you to join them for an online event on 12th October (5pm - 6.15pm) to explore the challenges facing prisoners and their families this Prisons' Week.

Prisoners and their families are often some of the most socially excluded people in our society. This event will offer an opportunity to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners and their families and to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment. HMP High Down and HMP Downview, both in Belmont, are our local prisons.

Everyone is welcome. To register <https://forms.office.com/r/J1zTKUTiP7>

# News for the week

## Attendance

The attendance figure for w/c: 01.10.21

Infants Juniors  
96.8% 96.1%

Our target is:  
97.4%

## Stars of the week

Week Ending 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021

R Fox Class	Molly K
R Hedgehog Class	Hanna M
R Squirrel Class	Lara L
1 Robin Class	Ella L
1 Sparrow Class	Victoria G
1 Wren Class	Elizabeth W
2 Heron Class	Tai F
2 Jay Class	Cora F
2 Woodpecker Class	Aaron B

## House Points

Becket	Clitheroe
799	682
Fisher	More
748	783

## Father Luke's Gate, Pound Street

Despite weekly reminder's not to park at Father Luke's Gate on Pound Street, we have been advised that a Blue Volkswagen registration number ending in ZTW has continued to do so. Please be aware that no parking or dropping off is allowed outside on the pavement of Father Luke's house, this is putting the safety of all children and adults at risk and contravenes the road safety act.



If you are a 50/50 winner from previous school year- last and final chance to collect your winning cheque is by Friday 8th October. Any cheques not collected by then will be revoked and seen as a donation to the PTA.

THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
To Care. To Learn. To Achieve.

Prospective Year 7 2022

Open Evening  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
6pm - 8.30pm

EXCELLENT TEACHING & LEARNING  
OFSTED Rating GOOD

Thomas More Headteacher's talk  
A Roman Catholic Co-educational 7.30pm

## Coats

All children must bring a coat to school EVERY day whatever the weather, lessons are regularly held outside and temperatures do fluctuate during the course of the school day

## Christmas cards in school

We continue to enjoy the exchange of Christmas cards in school. This year will be slightly different each child will make a card in school to send to someone in their class. This new initiative is to reduce paper use but also to ensure each child can be a recipient. We will not be accepting cards coming in from home.

## 'Representing St. Mary's on the District Football Team'

We have been following his progress and wanted to congratulate him on his current matches. Well done to Finnley scored both goals in their 6-2 defeat to Croydon



## Infant Children attending after school club

Infant school children attending an After School Club, please do not leave scooters/bikes at school on days your child attends a club. External club providers wish to maximise the time your child has at a club and this does not allow for time retrieving scooter/bikes. Of course your child can still scoot or cycle but you will need to take these with you when you drop your child or of course you can leave at school until the following day.



St Mary's PTA is creating the first ever 'St Mary's Cookbook'! Thank you to all the families who have already contributed their delicious recipes. If there is a particular dish that your family loves to make and you'd be willing to share it with the rest of the school, let us know at [stmaryscookbook2021@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryscookbook2021@gmail.com) We look forward to hearing from you!  
St Mary's PTA

**DEADLINE IS 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER**

## Wednesday Word

Please click on the link below to access the weekly Wednesday Word:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/growing?pid=MTA101634&v=25.6>