



St. Mary's
Catholic Federation

Weekly Newsletter - Friday 7th February 2020

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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: Mrs. S Hulme **Nursery & Infant School:** Mrs. M Quinn.

Safeguarding Deputy: Mrs. S Hulme **Safeguarding Governor:** Mr. T Richmond

To check if the school is open during bad weather, please use the link below to Open Check.

<https://opencheck.atomwide.com/default.aspx>

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, on behalf of the staff - thank you for the tremendous support and good wishes for the junior school when they went through the rigor of an Ofsted Inspection this week. These times are always quite intense, whilst also having to continue with normal school practise for the children. We had such amazing feedback about the children and staff and await the written report, this will take a few weeks to process.

The weather has turned fresh this week bringing about freezing temperatures. We are glad to have these conditions to kill off some of the germs, but also need to remind you of the dangers of having a site that includes a large area of water. We are glad to see curiosity encouraged in children, but parents please closely supervise our pupils when walking in the school grounds.

Saturday is the day for celebrating our most wonderful and numerous cultures of the families that we have in our schools. With the planning done it looks like it's going to be a very enjoyable day. Thank you to the parents who have put in so much effort and we hope to see many of you at the junior school tomorrow. Please be reminded that there is no parking on site.

We also look forward to meeting you at the PAR meetings next week.


Enjoy the bright sunshine and the delightful spring flowers and have a good weekend.

Spirituality

Sunday 9th February - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Morning reflection is issued every week by our Chaplain and is available on the school's website:
<https://www.smcsc.org.uk/spirituality.php>

Bishop Paul came to visit the children last week at the junior school, they had many questions for him, all of which he answered. The children enjoyed his visit immensely.

 Table Talk Topic for this week: What is the nicest thing you could do for your friend? -Just a reminder, that we have a Prayer intention book in the Reception area of each school. Please feel free to write your intentions in as you wish. Thank you to

News for the week

**Please remember we will close early on Thursday 13th February
at 2pm!**

Next week's upcoming dates

Both Schools - Sat 8th Feb from 1pm - 3pm - International Celebration Day at the Junior School
Nursery - Mon 10th Feb 9am - 11am - Nursery Only PAR Morning
Nursery - Tues 11th Feb 3.30pm - 5pm - Nursery Only PAR Evening
Juniors - Tues 11th Feb 5pm - 8pm - Juniors PAR Late Night
Infants - Weds 12th Feb 5pm - 8pm - Infants PAR Late Night
Infants - Thurs 13th Feb - No French Club today
Infants - Thurs 13th Feb - Cheetah's School Liturgy at 9am, parents to enter via gate 4.
Both Schools - Thurs 13th Feb - Both schools close at 2pm
Both Schools - Thurs 13th Feb 2.20pm - 5pm - Both schools PAR Evening
Infants - Fri 14th Feb - PTA Cake Sale
Juniors - Fri 14th Feb - Sponsored bounce
Juniors - Fri 14th Feb - 4 Poplar Swimming at 1.30pm & Y5/6 enhancement at 2pm

Sign of the Week

Please check the Parents and Carers room on Google Classroom for this week's 'Sign of the Week'.

Lost Property

Due to the large amounts of lost property currently in both schools, there will be lost property in the playgrounds for the next 2 x Friday afternoons. Please can you check for any of your child's lost belongings as anything left as we break for half term will be put to recvcilina in the Bertie bin.

Please be vigilant around the lake bed area in St. Philomena's grounds, especially now the weather has turned colder, causing the lake to freeze over. Whilst this looks pretty to the children, please ensure all children do not go near the lake bed area. Thank you

Car Parking in the Surrounding Areas

We continue to ask parents to 'park and ride' to minimise the congestion around the schools at drop off time and showing greater respect to our local neighbours who we have regular correspondence from regarding inconsiderate parking. We also have reports from parents of our families being verbally abusive which makes us all ashamed.



Stars of the Week - Week ending 7th February 2020

**Elephant Class - Joseph M, Penguin Class - Angela G, Bee Class - Martyna K,
Reindeer Class - Matylda P, Cheetah Class - Rakshanya J, Giraffe Class - Kai D,
Meerkat Class - Sophia G, Horse Class - Alison O, Owl Class - Jennah G**

Well done to all of the Stars of the week!