



St. Mary's  
Catholic Federation

# Weekly Newsletter-Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

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**Executive Headteacher, Mrs S Hulme. Chair of Governors, Mr B Tomkins**

**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. G Owens and Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.**

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the final stretch of term packed with many events and hoping you have all enjoyed the break from routine last week.

To keep you up to date- the new PTA committee held a meeting yesterday together with officers of the previous SMIF and FSMs groups. This is a really exciting new beginning for both schools. We give our most sincere thanks to those who have served tirelessly prior to yesterday and wish good luck to the new committee taking it forwards from here. Everyone really appreciates the work of volunteers and we all agreed that St Marys has a wonderful community making the lives of our children magical -full of fantastic memories and experiences. However, we still need our loyal helpers and supporters to continue this work. Please offer your help when the requests go out and make it easier on all involved. The summer fayre is the next large event.

We need you! Thank you in anticipation.

We continue to keep the year 3 children in our thoughts and prayers as they prepare for the day of their First Holy Communion, we wish them a warm and close relationship with Christ.


## Spirituality

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June - Pentecost

Morning reflection is issued every week by our Chaplain and is available on the school's website:

<https://www.smcs.org.uk/spirituality.php>

The children have all started new topics in their RE lessons this week. The theme, which links all our learning, is Reconciliation. So this may be a useful topic to discuss at home next time the children fall out with a friend. How we can make good choices, build bridges and say sorry is so important.

 Table Talk Topic for this week - Why make a promise?

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 those who have added to it. Please take the time to read it when visiting the school.

## News for the week

### Children need maximum learning opportunities

Getting your child to school really **matters**. Did you know.....

If you child's attendance during the school...	Your child would have lost approximately...	Or they would have missed approximately
Was 95%	9 days from school	50 lessons
Was 90%	19 days from school	100 lessons
Was 85%	29 days from school	150 lessons
Was 80%	38 days from school	200 lessons
Was 75%	48 days from school	250 lessons

You should not take your child on holiday during term time. Please encourage punctuality to maintain school attendance.

**Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity**

### Woodcote Garden Vouchers

When visiting Woodcote Garden Centre, please do not forget to collect your Woodcote garden vouchers for the school, which will benefit the children and the gardens.

Thank you in advance.

### Old School Uniform Sale

Every Friday from 3pm onwards (Weather dependent) we will be selling our old school uniform stock, Juniors in the main playground and in the dining hall if it is raining and for the Infants under the cover by the Community room.

### Chelsea Flower Show – Reuse Scheme

We have been lucky to be chosen as one of the many schools to adopt/reuse a number of the Chelsea Flower Show plants. We have had in excess of 20 plants, which we have shared between both schools.

House of Wayward plants, the long-running plant adoption project by designers, Wayword, is the Official Reuse Partner of the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. Through this scheme, thousands of plants (around 6000 – 10,000) and materials will be redistributed to hundreds of local schools and communities. The following gardens will distribute their plants; Warner's Distillery Show Garden - the Herbaceous plants will be distributed between local London schools and The CAMFED Garden: Giving Girls in Africa a Space to Grow are one of two gardens that donated their plants for the scheme.

### Bertie bin recycling reminder

Please remember we have a Bertie Bin Recycling container in our Infant school, if you have any unwanted clothes please do not hesitate to pop them into



### **Stars of the Week – Week ending 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**Elephant Class - Amelia W, Penguin Class - Pola M, Bee Class - Genevieve C  
Reindeer Class - Izabella F, Cheetah Class - Nicole L, Giraffe Class - Rocco R,  
Meerkat Class — Ksenia M, Horse Class - Xavier P, Owl Class - Laura K**

**Well done to all of the Stars of the week!**