

Weekly Newsletter - Friday 24th September - 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,

We have been most fortunate in having fine weather to enjoy this week as we head towards the end of September. The weekend may be one of the last to enjoy a BBQ outdoors for a while.

This week has been most enjoyable with gatherings in school to plan future events by the PTA. Going forward we hope to merge some of the successful ideas used during lockdown with a few old favourites. We anticipate a strong revival with a band of new volunteers to help with planning and the arrangements- thank you, especially to those who are newly joining the core group. Please be reminded though, that each parent is a member of the PTA and we welcome contributions from you all.

Within the next couple of weeks, the first parent consultations of the year will be held, further information will follow. As no parent survey has been completed during lockdown, we hope you will support us by completing one when you visit the school to meet with your child's class teacher. It is important to gather your views, thank you in anticipation of your support.

We are saying farewell to Miss Flannery (TA at the Junior School) next Friday, she is leaving to spend more time with her young son. Please join with us to wish her much luck and happiness in the future. Miss Barreiro (Teacher of 4 Ash) will also be finishing school on Friday 1st October to begin her maternity leave. We also wish her much luck and joy on the arrival of her new baby in November.

Spirituality Sunday 26th September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week pupils at both schools have been learning about Pope Francis' encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, Brothers and Sisters All. The Pope calls upon us all to share in a 'culture of encounter', speaking and listening to others so that we can come to know and understand each other better. Diversity enriches us; we are a single family in a common home. Living that out in our daily lives is the challenge of the Gospel.

This Sunday is the 107th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, the theme for which this year is **TOWARDS AN EVER GREATER "WE"**. We pray for displaced people around the world and especially for those who have come into our community, that they may find a place of welcome and compassion.

Holy, beloved Father,
your Son Jesus taught us
that there is great rejoicing in heaven
whenever someone lost is found,
whenever someone excluded, rejected or discarded
is gathered into our "we",
which thus becomes ever wider.
We ask you to grant the followers of Jesus,
and all people of good will,
the grace to do your will on earth.
Bless each act of welcome and outreach
that draws those in exile
into the "we" of community and of the Church,
so that our earth may truly become
what you yourself created it to be:
the common home of all our brothers and sisters. Amen.

Table Talk Topic for this week - Is it possible to ever stop thinking?

News for the week

Attendance

The attendance figure for w/c: 20.09.21

Infants	Juniors
96.6%	96.5%

Our target is:
97.4%

Stars of the week

Week Ending 24th September 2021

R Fox Class	Imogen K
R Hedgehog Class	Oliver F
R Squirrel Class	Daniel I-H
1 Robin Class	Klara L
1 Sparrow Class	Rebecca Z
1 Wren Class	Adam A
2 Heron Class	Emily A
2 Jay Class	Leon K
2 Woodpecker Class	Roxanne C

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.



50/50 Winners!

Congratulations to the last terms 50/50 winners! Please collect your winnings from the school office.

**June 2021 - Rob Copley (Infant)
July 2021 - The Ha Family (Infant)
August 2021 - The Nutley Family (Junior)**

'Car Free Day'

'Thank you' to everyone who supported 'Car Free Day' on Wednesday. Lots of children and staff made an effort to walk, walk further, bike or scooter to school that day which is amazing. The Year 2 children were lucky to receive a pedometer each, encouraging them to count their steps each day as well. Well done to everybody!



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 We look forward to hearing from you!

St Mary's PTA

Parking on Browning Avenue

It has been brought to our attention that parents from our school are parking inconsiderately on Browning Avenue in addition to other local roads, please can we remind all parents if they need to park to collect their child/children to please do so considerately, not blocking driveways, etc.

HOLY CROSS - PARISH SECRETARY

Holy Cross Carshalton is looking to recruit a part time Parish Secretary to assist in the administration of a busy parish. This will initially be on a 12 months fixed term contract. The role is to provide comprehensive support to the Parish Priest in all administrative matters within the Parish and will cover secretarial, financial and office management work. Previous secretarial experience is essential – along with good knowledge of bookkeeping/ financial work. The successful candidate will be fully conversant with current office software such as Outlook, Word and Excel and be generally comfortable with IT and office equipment. He/she will have excellent telephone skills and a good understanding of the workings of a Roman Catholic Parish. Our ideal hours are Mondays and Wednesdays 9am – 2pm, Fridays 11am - 4pm. Rate of pay £13 per hour. Holidays by negotiation. If you would like to apply for this position, please email your CV to carshalton@rcaos.org.uk by the closing date of September 30th. Please do not apply for this job if you do not have current permission to work in the UK.

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>