

ST MARY'S CE FIRST ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

ISSUE NO: 102 05.11.21

"SHINE AS A LIGHT IN THE WORLD"

Matthew 5:16

Dear Parents and carers.

We've had a busy few weeks at St. Mary's with the children working hard as they learn new and exciting skills. Please can I say a huge thank you to everyone who supported our Macmillan cake sale. Together we raised £141.70 The combined total for St. Mary's and Brewood Middle Academy was £735.32. What a fantastic result to go towards cancer patients and their families. Our PTA have been very busy with the Pumpkin Party and Scarecrow festival. A huge thank you to everyone who took part. Our PTA are continuing to raise funds towards new outside play equipment.

Over the next few weeks we will be concentrating in school on our key value of respect as well as learning about courage. The children have been learning about Esther in collective worship and how she used her respect for others as well as courage to stand up for what is right. Along with bible characters we will focus on Remembrance day, paying our respects to those who have lost their lives or had their lives significantly changed due to conflict.

A prayer about respect and courage:

Dear God,

May you bless us with words that thoughts that promote caring, words that show love and actions that show wisdom so we might all live together respectfully in the wonderful world you have created for us.

Amen

Many thanks, Mrs N. R. Brennan

STAR OF THE WEEK

** * *			-
Class		Pupil	47
Nursery	/	Ada	5
Reception	n	Lewis	No.
Year 1 &	2	Hetty	
Year 3		Olivia)* 36
Year 4		Evie	1*
*	*	* *	



As part of our respect for ourselves and each other we are re-launching our whole school behaviour management policy. From Monday, all children at St. Mary's will be following the same system that celebrates children who consistently show good choices in behaviour and learning. The system is designed to visually show children when a behaviour choice is inappropriate as well as supporting children to return to the behaviour expected.



All children begin every day on a green card as it is a fresh day. Children remain on a green card as they learn and behave well. If needed a verbal warning is given to tell children their behaviour choice may not be appropriate. Children who stay on green all day are awarded Dojo points. Children who are green all week receive a mini certificate and a prize.



Children may receive a yellow card for repeated low level disruption such as disturbing other children from learning in class. A yellow card may also be given for one off, inappropriate incidents that prevent learning for example pushing another child or using unkind words. Parents will be informed via Class Dojo when yellow cards are given.



Children who receive a red card have made a behaviour choice that directly impacts their own or other people's learning or wellbeing. This may be repeated yellow card disruption or significant one off incidents. Children who receive red cards may have a time out in another class or speak with Mrs Brennan.



Occasionally children go above and beyond at school. This will be recognised with a golden card. Children who receive a Golden card will be awarded with a sticker. Golden cards are above and beyond, exceptional circumstances. They are not to be 'worked for' as by following this policy we are recognising that children who are consistently green are achieving our expectations.

The Good to be Green model is successfully used in Primary schools across the UK. Although it will take a little readjustment I know it will enable our children to shine like the stars they are.

If you have any questions about Good to be Green please speak with your child's class teacher.

St Mary's CE First Academy Term Dates and Holidays 2021-2022 Dates are subject to change.

Autumn Term 2021

Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church Thursday 11th November 2021.

PTA Nearly new sale (Books and toys etc.) Thursday 18th November 2021.

Non school uniform, Chocolate donations to PTA Friday 26th November 2021.

Christmas Light Switch on 20th November 2021 (St Mary's will be performing, details to follow)

Christmas Faye Thursday 2nd December 2021/Deadline for Santa's letters to be handed to PTA.

A special visitor from the North Pole (PTA Event) Monday 6th December 2021..

Christmas Jumper Day £1.00 donation for Save the children Wednesday 8th December 2021.

Bags2School Wednesday 8th December 2021

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 to visit Lichfield Cathedral Thursday 9th December 2021.

School Disco 6-7:30pm Thursday 9th December 2021.

EYFS and key stage 1 Nativity times TBC Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th December 2021.

Song by candlelight Year 3 & 4 Wednesday 15th December 2021 time TBC.

Key stage 2 Visit to Snow White Pantomime Thursday 16th December 2021.

Whole School celebration at Church and break up for Christmas Friday 17th December 2<mark>021.</mark>

Term Ends: Friday 17th December

Holiday: Monday 20th December - Monday 3rd January

Spring Term 2022

Inset day: Tuesday 4th January

Term Starts: Wednesday 5th January

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS STAFFORDSHIRE ARE REVIEWING THEIR COVID GUIDELINES INCLUDING PERFOMANCES, LARGE GATHERINGS AND THE MIXING OF CLASS BUBBLES. SHOULD WE BE RESTRICTED FROM HAVING AUDIANCES IN SCHOOL WE WILL RECORD AND SHARE OUR PERFORMANCES.

Inset Days (School Closed to Pupils)

Tuesday 4th January 2022 Monday 25th April 2022