

Newsletter

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Attendance for
week: 97.58%

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

"Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Life"



A message from Mrs Thorpe to all our families...

During my Learning Walks this week I've seen: papyrus paper making, letter treasure hunts, the rock-step-slide dance moves, Zeraffa Giraffa inspired inventions and so much more! We've also had several visitors in school this week and they have each commented on the busy, focussed learning culture that is so clear in every class. We've also had our Pupil Progress meetings this week, when teachers have been able to talk with me about all the children in their classes and how we are meeting needs and supporting progress. It has been a privilege to hear about the many, many successes and see just how far the children have progressed since September. Another new school addition this week has been Reggie Rex.....



Well done to our Netball Team who represented St Mary's at the High 5 Tournament this week. You were all AMAZING! Our brilliant team came 3rd in their group and we are so proud of them! Thanks also to Mrs Rickett and the parents who supported this event. You were a great team of ambassadors!



This Week's Special Awards

Well done to you all!



Year 6: Alfie & Joe

Year 5: Olivia & Lloyd

Year 4: Isaac & Olivia

Year 3: George N & Ollie

Year 2: Evelyn & Jenson

Year 1: Phillipa and Elliot

EYFS: Eden & Tommy M

Meet Reggie.... he's our new pal in school. Reggie Regulator is our new ambassador for emotional regulation. He lives in every classroom alongside a support basket of resources and activities that support children with emotional self regulation. All staff have received updated training on Zones of Regulation and supporting children when they become emotionally dysregulated. We are proud of continual commitment, investing in children's wellbeing.



Dates for your diary...



- **Sunday 28th January**—Catholic primary schools singing together at 11am Mass at Our Lady's Church
- **Tuesday 30th January**—Y5/6 Boys' Football Tournament fixture
- **Wednesday 31st January**—Y1 and Y2 drama workshops with Freshwater Theatre Company as part of National Storytelling Week
- **Wed 31st to Fri 2nd Feb**—Bikeability—cycling safety course in school for Y5/6. Please see earlier letter
- **Friday 2nd February**—Y5 visit to The Catalyst Museum
- **Monday 5th February**—Internet Safety Week Starts
- **Thursday 8th February**—Y4 trip to Kingswood!

Next week we are starting our sacramental preparation programme with children in Year 3. This is a very special time when we walk with our young people on their faith journey, as they prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time. Please pray for our children who are taking part in this programme.



Our Mini-Vinnie Kindness Bear has been busy this week on his adventures. Thank you to all our families for looking after him and engaging with our project.



FOREST SCHOOL: Next week's Forest School Class is... YEAR 4—1/2/24

