

Newsletter

Newsletter Number 9
Friday 10th November 2023



Attendance for week: 95.25%

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School
"Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Life"

A message from Mrs Thorpe to all our families

We've had more **good news** at St Mary's this week! In addition to our recent National Artsmark Award, we have also now been credited with the **SILVER Award** from the **National Council for Learning Outside the Classroom**. The LOTC Mark is a high quality assurance scheme that supports and celebrates schools who provide meaningful experiences beyond the classroom, across the whole curriculum, indoors and out, on and off-site. This fantastic silver award recognises and validates the exemplary practices we have in place at St Mary's which includes our Forest School provision, our school visits programme, our workshops and visitors here and so much more. A huge THANK YOU to Mr Campbell who co-ordinates our LOTC provision and has led our school through the rigorous assessment process for this award. And thank you to all our families who support our curriculum in so many different ways. **WELL DONE** to everyone at St Mary's!



What a week! Year 6 enjoyed their Chemistry Day with local scientist Dr Perkins; a great opportunity to work with experts exploring chemistry in action! Year 2 had a brilliant day of fun at the local Boat Museum learning about the history of our local waterways.



Year 6 also braved the chilly November weather for a fabulous Forest School day, exploring problem solving in the context of their history topic on World War Two.



This Week's Special Awards

Well done to you all!



Year 6: Izzy & Billy J

Year 5: Logan DM & Jacob Hughes

Year 4: Ava & Jacob D

Year 3: Olivia & Paddy

Year 2: Jack & Elsie

Year 1: Elliot & Sebastian

EYFS: Sophia & Jacob

This Sunday, the local Remembrance Parade will be starting from The Royal British Legion Club, Little Sutton. The Parade will begin forming at 1.30pm and will depart at 1.45pm, marching along the A41 (which will be closed to traffic) to the memorial at St Paul's Church. There will be a short service, followed by a 2 minute silence and wreath laying will then take place. The parade will then return back to the RBL club. Everyone is welcome.



Dates for your diary...



- **Sunday 12th November** — Remembrance Parade, Little Sutton
- **Tuesday 14th November**—Y5/6 Football League Game
- **Thursday 16th November**—Y4 Greek Learning Day
- **Friday 17th November**—School Photographs Day from 8.00am
- **Monday 20th November**—Live Theatre Performance in school of A Christmas Carol for all children
- **Tuesday 21st November**—Y6 have Dementia Awareness training from The Alzheimer's Society
- **Wednesday 22nd November**—Y1 visit The Grosvenor Museum
- **Wednesday 22nd November**—Y5 Science Sphere Workshop
- **Friday 24th November**—INSET day, school closed to children!
- **Tuesday 28th November** —Y5/6 Football League Game

A polite reminder.... As a working mum myself, I know all too well how busy mornings are in family homes and how easy it is to forget things. However, our office team are frequently running errands throughout the mornings, chasing up forgotten equipment, delivering late lunchboxes, late water bottles, school bags, chasing up forgotten glasses or medication etc. This adds a significant amount of work to an already stretched team. Similarly, at the end of the day, frequent or last minute changes to collection arrangements for children can create a lot of extra work, and messages between school and families and children's mobile phones can sometimes overlap, causing confusion for children. However, we do appreciate that sometimes challenging situations happen & of course we are ALWAYS here to help in exceptional circumstances. Thank you for your consideration and support.

THANK YOU to Antoni in our infants who spent last weekend making and selling his own remembrance poppies. Antoni raised an impressive £15, which will be added to our school donation for the work of the Royal British Legion. A lovely living example of Faith in Action—well done!



Next Forest School Class: YEAR 5 on 16/11/23

