

Newsletter

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Attendance for this week: **95.99%**.

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

"Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Life"

A message from Mrs Thorpe... Well we've started this half term with a bang, with so much going on there's never a quiet day at St Mary's. This half term is very short—less than 5 full weeks in school, so every day of learning really does count. Thank you to the parents who have donated clean, high quality items of school uniform to our baskets. It's great to see this being recycled. Please **DO COME** and help yourself, it's entirely free and available for parents to take at any time. We have a good range of grey skirts and trousers, hardly worn yellow summer dresses, brand new school shoes, and even new jumpers. I know how quickly children grow out of uniform, why buy brand new when we have good quality pre-loved for free? **Reading through our Newsletter this week, I feel incredibly proud and grateful for the sense of living community that our school emanates—helping each other, supporting sustainability, caring for the most vulnerable in our society and celebrating how God creates each of us. Praise be to God for the school community of St Mary's— it is truly full of God's ANGELS!**

MINI-VINNIES.... Our mini-vinnies group are continuing with their Lent charity project. They are collecting 1p and 2p coins in their **"Turning Pennies into Pounds"** project. They were aiming to collect enough money to purchase a **GOAT** to support a farming family in Malawi, but they have already raised enough for this, so they are now hoping to buy...**A COW!** Please send in your copper, if you can. The children will count up and update parents on their final total next week! Thanks to everyone for supporting the children in their work, they are really proud of themselves.



A MASSIVE Well Done and Thank You to all our parents and families who supported the Y3/4 Coffee Afternoon last Friday. It was a musical treat for everyone and a wonderful occasion of community and celebration. Because of the outstanding generosity of our families, the Y3/4 classes are able to donate £432 to our local charity **"The Hospice of the Good Shepherd"**. The children will be getting in touch with the Hospice to arrange a meeting to handover this donation. It is hugely appreciated that even in such financially challenging times, we are still able to support our local hospice. Thank you also to the staff who prepared this afternoon.



DON'T FORGET... Next week is World Book Day. Please send in your wooden spoon in you haven't done so already! **Full details of WBD in the letter sent home last half term.**

This week, we welcomed Miss Hart back to work after her maternity leave. It's wonderful to have her back with us, we've missed her so much! We're also delighted that Mrs Finch will be continuing in her expanding role as SENDco, leading our Special Needs provision.

This Week's Special Awards

Well done to you all!



Year 6: Seb & Alexis

Year 5: Orla & Lauryn

Year 4: Emmie & Thomas C

Year 3: Lucinda & Benji

Year 2: Isla & Hunter

Year 1: Theo & Scarlett

EYFS: Thomas Y & Alfie



Dates for your diary...



- Tuesday 5th March**—Y6 visit to The Philharmonic Hall, Liverpool
- Wednesday 6th March**—Y3 visit to Chester for the Deva Roman Experience Day
- Wednesday 6th March**—Y5 Science, Technology & Engineering Festival at The Boat Museum
- Thursday 7th March**—World Book Day—please see earlier letter or the website for all details.
- Friday 8th March**—#LetGirlsPlay, National Football Campaign
- Monday 11th March**—Year 5/6 Reconciliation Service in school
- Tuesday 12th March** - Schools Dance Festival at The Civic Hall
- Thursday 14th March**— Reception and Y6 class photographs
- Monday 18th March**—Y6 to visit Rivacre School for an Internet Safety Drama Production

Thank you to Miss Hennessey and Mrs Finch for organising our first ever coffee morning, specifically for families of children with higher levels of need. Although our guest speaker sadly didn't arrive, it was wonderful to share support and signposting amongst the families who came along. Looking ahead, we are considering organising our next coffee morning on the theme of support with 'Dietary and Eating Challenges' and then 'Understanding ADHD'. If you'd like to get involved with our coffee mornings, please get in touch—we'd love to hear from you. If you were disappointed to have missed Koala Sleep Advice Team, their details are here...



FOREST SCHOOL

Next Forest School class is Year 6 - 7/3/24

