

January 2019 Newsletter

Believe and Achieve

To provide a fun, stimulating and excellent education which enables each child to achieve their full potential, academically, spiritually, emotionally and socially in a safe, Christian environment.

Dear Parents, Children & Friends,

Welcome back to a new term and a Happy New Year to everyone.

On walking round the school, I have noticed how well the children have settled into the new term following the Christmas holidays. Each year group has started to focus on their new topic areas, details of which parents / carers can find in the class newsletters that are currently being uploaded onto the school website.

ST. MARY'S SUPPORT GROUP NEWS:

Support Group members met on the 15th Jan and have some exciting events planned. Please look out for a newsletter, from the Support Group, which summarises the plans for this academic year. This will be sent shortly through parentmail.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 20th March at 7pm at the North Star - all welcome.

The next event for the Support Group is the school disco on the 14th February and a coffee morning on Sunday 10th February.

Winning numbers at the last 150 club draw: 28, 34, 74, 140, 16, 71 The bonus number was 15. Congratulations to all the winners. The next draw will be on Friday 25th January.

ASSEMBLIES:

Firstly, congratulations to Year 5 for an outstanding Carol Service last term . All pupils performed superbly and were a credit to the school. Well done to all performers!

Future assemblies to look forward to are:

Friday 25th January at 9:10am Year 3 Class assembly

Friday 8th February at 9:10am Year 1 Class assembly

Friday 15th March at 9:10am Year 5 Class assembly

LINKS WITH ST. MARY'S CHURCH:

Reverend Sally is currently leading Spiritual Circle Time in Father Alan's absence.

This term's Worship theme is: Peace and Justice.


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ATTENDANCE:

We are delighted to announce that 131 children have been awarded attendance badges for their high attendance during the Autumn term. Congratulations to all of these children and their parents for ensuring such super attendance.

We want to continue encouraging our children to recognise the importance of their learning opportunities and will continue to reward good attendance as every lesson counts!

PARENTS EVENINGS

The next Parents Evenings will be held on:

Tuesday 12th February - 2:50 - 6:10 p.m

Wednesday 13th February - 2:50 - 6:10 p.m

We will continue to use Parents Evening Manager on ParentMail so you can book your parents' evening appointments on-line from your smartphone, tablet or computer.

We are unable to book appointments over the telephone; if you are unable to book on line then please call into the school office where the office staff will be able to assist you.

The appointments commence at 2:50pm and all appointments are allocated **10 minutes**. If you have a particular issue to discuss, which may take longer than 10 minutes please make a further appointment with the class teacher or Headteacher. This avoids inconveniencing other parents who may have more than one appointment in school.

PLEASE NOTE:

The system will go live and bookings can be made from 29th January from 8:00AM

If your appointment is between 2:50 and 3:10pm please go straight to your child's classroom using the main School Entrance. Your child's tray will be outside their classroom. Please feel free to walk through the school hall where the children will be enjoying singing. For appointments after 3:30pm, we ask parents to gather in the hall where their children's work will be available. An adult will then notify parents when the class teacher is ready.

Please note ALL pupils will be dismissed **from their classrooms**. There will be a short break in appointments from 3:20 -3:40pm whilst pupils are dismissed. **Please collect your child as usual before coming back into school for any parents evening appointment.**


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SCHOOL COUNCIL:

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Jumper Day, you raised a fantastic £243 which supports the charity Save the Children. Can I also take this opportunity of congratulating the School Council for leading a fantastic Worship to explain to pupils in school, how wearing their Christmas Jumper could really make a difference to the lives of others.

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS:

Congratulations to all of our pupils who have already completed the challenge of reading 12 books and book reviews during the autumn term.

The pupils are:

Jacob Perkin Reception
Teddy Kenyon Year 1
Lex Bamford Year 1
Ewan Smith Year 1
Skylar Ford Year 2
Jude Harrison Year 6

Some of these pupils have now completed a recording of their favourite book and this has been filmed using green screen! These are now on our school website. We will also tweet a link so you don't miss them. <https://www.stmaryscecrompton.oldham.sch.uk/battle-of-the-books/>

There are already more children who have, or who are close to having, completed the Reading Challenge. Awards will be presented half-termly to pupils who complete the challenge set, so please keep on reading and enjoying those books!

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FOR THIS HALF TERM:

Monday: Choir 3:30 -4:30pm with Mrs Roberts and Mrs Housley

Tuesday: Rec Fun Club 12:00 - 12:30 with Mr Beasley (Sports Development Officer)
Fun Club: 12:30 -1:00 Yr3 - 4 with Mr Beasley (Sports Development Officer)
Circuit Training: 3:30 - 4:30pm with Mr Beasley (Sports Development Officer)

Wednesday: Mr Gardner's Badminton 3:30 - 4:30pm

Thursday: ICT club 12:00 - 12:30 Year 6 with Mr Taylor
Anna's Fame Academy 3:30 - 4:15pm Year 1, 2, 3, 4

Friday: Gymnastics 3:30 -5:00pm with Mrs Oxley

As soon as the weather improves and lighter nights begin we will resume the outdoor extra curricular activities.


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SCHOOL WEBSITE:

Please log on to find current information about school. For latest updates and news you can also follow St Mary's School on twitter at: www.twitter.com/stmarysce

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FORTHCOMING DATES:

Fri 18th January: Year 1 Road Safety walks
Thurs 24th January: Year 5 to watch Dance Show at Crompton House
Fri 25th January: Year 3 Assembly
Wed 30th January: SAT's Evening for parents of Year 2 and Year 6
Fri 1st February: Reception Stay and Play 8:50 - 9:30am
W/c 4th February: E-safety week - more details to follow
Fri 8th February: Year 1 Class Assembly
Sun 10th February: Support Group Coffee Morning
W/c 11th Feb : Child Mental Health awareness Week
Tues 12th February: Parents Evening 3:00 - 6:10pm
Wed 13th February: Parents Evening 3:00 - 6:10pm
Thurs 14th February: School Disco - details to follow
Fri 15th February: Reception Stay and Play 8:50 - 9:30am

18th - 22nd Feb closed for Half Term Holiday.

Kind regards,

P.A Hartley

Headteacher