

## A small school with a big heart

# NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 12 MAY 2023

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#### Stars of the Week Class 1

Arthur: for excellent phonics and number formation.

Dexter: for the most amazing contribution in English and RE during drama.

#### Star of the Week Class 2

Rupert: for making big improvements with his writing.



### Big Hearts are awarded to:

Sam: for determination and aspirations in PE and our rhythm games.

Harry: for always wanting to achieve his best! What amazing contributions and attitude towards everything, this week in particular!

All the Year 6 Children: for completing your SATs examinations! You have all worked incredibly hard. Well done!



Happy Birthday to Ellie who is turning 10!

# **NOTICES**

**First Holy Communion Mass:** this will take place on Sunday at church at 9am. All are welcome.

**Lunchtime welfare role:** this job is now live and can be viewed <u>here</u>. We are looking for a lunchtime welfare assistant for Monday to Friday during term time, from 11.45am to 1.15pm (12.5hrs a week). If you would like to learn more about the role or know of anyone who might be interested, please get in touch.

**Invoices:** with April being such a short month in school terms, April charges will be deal with in a joint invoice for April and May. This will also give time for those families who haven't yet had chance to pay their March invoice to do so.

**Trainers:** we are seeing an increasing number of children coming into school in trainers with their school uniform. Please ensure that school shoes are worn with uniform.

**New Starter Stay and Play sessions:** these will take place on Friday 30 June and Friday 7 July. Please bring your children at 9.15 and collect them at 11.15am. We are looking forward to meeting our new starters!

**Ordering uniform:** the link for parents to order uniform directly from the suppliers is <a href="https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/StMarysCatholicPrimarySchoolPR30PN">https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/StMarysCatholicPrimarySchoolPR30PN</a>

**Meeting for Tower Wood:** parents of Year 5 and 6 children attending Tower Wood are invited, along with their children, to meet with the members of staff attending the trip. There will be chance for you to ask any questions you wish to. This will take place on Thursday 25 May in school at 3.30pm.

**PE** days: please note the **change** of **PE** days for Reception Class only. On Thursdays please send your Reception child in their PE kit. On Fridays, please send your Reception child in uniform with their PE kit in a bag. For everyone else, please could children come to school on PE days dressed in their kit with their school jumper over the top. Many thanks.

**Miss Hawkins is running the Great North Run:** Miss Hawkins is training hard for the famous Great North Run in September and is raising money for a fabulous cause that's close to her heart. If you can, please sponsor her. Every little helps. You can read more about the event and Miss Hawkins' reasons for running, and add sponsorship <a href="here">here</a>.

**Term time holiday:** just a reminder that we cannot authorise holidays in term time unless the circumstances are deemed to be exceptional. LCC will issue penalty notices where unauthorised absences reach the necessary threshold: 5 days in one term or 7 days over two consecutive terms.

**Packed lunch day:** As you are aware, the dinners are transported from the kitchen of another school. There is one remaining date this year when their kitchens will not be open due to inset days taking place. On 26 May 2023 we would ask that you send your children to school with a packed lunch. We will issue reminders nearer the time.

#### The Week Ahead

Tuesday 16 May Music lessons with Mr Warren

Class One PE

Class Two PE

Band practice 3.30 to 4.30

Wednesday 17 May Swimming for Yr 3 and 4

Class One Forest School 3.30–4.30 (wellies and waterproofs!)

Class Two Multi Skills 3.30-4.30

Thursday 18 May Mass at Claughton church 9.10am. All welcome.

Reception Class PE (come in kit)

Class One PE

Class Two PE

Years 2–6 Musical Theatre 3.30–4.30pm

Class One teacher-led club 3.30–4.30pm

Friday 19 May Reception Class PE (come in uniform with kit bag)

#### **Dates For Your Diary**

Sunday 14 May First Holy Communion Mass 9am

Monday 22 May May Procession and Mass at church 9.10am

Tuesday 23 May Band will take place

Thursday 25 May Tower Wood meeting 3.30pm

Friday 26 May All children need a packed lunch

School closes for half term at 3.30pm

Monday 5 June INSET DAY children at home

Tuesday 6 June School reopens

Tuesday 27 & Wednesday 28 June Taster days for Year 6 moving to Garstang Community

Academy

Thursday 29 June Year 6 Parents' transition meeting at Garstang 6.15pm

### We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine...

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid,

that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that, in this moment of crisis,

we may reach out in solidarity to our sisters and brothers in need.

May we walk in your ways, so that peace and justice

become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend. See you on Monday!