



A small school with a big heart

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 19 MAY 2023

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Stars of the Week Class 1

Ethan: for his 'can do' attitude to his learning!

Austin: for his focus and enthusiasm in all subjects!

Star of the Week Class 2

Josh: for his insightful comments and contributions in class and church.



Big Hearts are awarded to:

William: for his kind, caring nature and his absolutely amazing efforts at school and home!

Mia: for her resilience and positive attitude towards everything!

Grace: for her positive attitude and consistent effort in all her work. You are a star!



Happy Birthday
to Henry who
has turned 11!

NOTICES

All children need a packed lunch: this coming Friday (26 May) **ALL CHILDREN** will need a packed lunch, please. This is because our mother kitchen is closed that day.

Additional PE day next week: please could *all* children come in their PE kits on Friday 26 May.

May Procession: this will take place on Monday at approximately 9.30am, immediately after the 9.10am mass in church. The children will take part in a short procession, followed by the crowning

of Mary as part of the celebration of Mary during the month of May. Children are welcome to bring a small posy of flowers to place around the statue of Mary.

Float preparation day tomorrow: if you can spare any time at all tomorrow, please come to Cobble Hey Farm to help with the float preparation between 10.30am and 2.30pm. You don't need to be arty, just willing! It's a big job to enter a float, but many hands will make light work. Please help if you can.

First Holy Communion: children received their First Holy Communion last Sunday in church. We thank all those who were involved in preparing and supporting the children on their special journey.



Lunchtime welfare role: this job is now live and can be viewed [here](#). 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.

Earrings in school: a polite reminder that small plain studs are the only earrings that are allowed in school. Please ensure they are not worn on PE days.

New Starter Stay and Play sessions: these will take place on Friday 30 June and Friday 7 July. Please bring your children at 9.15am 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 <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/StMarysCatholicPrimarySchoolPR30PN>. The cut off date for ordering for guaranteed delivery before September is **24 July 2023**.

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 (except this Friday 26 May). 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.

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.

The Week Ahead

Monday 22 May May Procession at church immediately after 9.10 Mass

Tuesday 23 May Music lessons with Mr Warren

Class One PE

Class Two PE

Band practice 3.30 to 4.30

Wednesday 24 May Swimming for Yr 3 and 4

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

Class Two Multi Skills 3.30–4.30

Thursday 25 May 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

Meeting for Tower Wood parents 3.30 in school

Friday 26 May **ALL CHILDREN NEED A PACKED LUNCH**

All children to come into school in their PE kits

School closes at 3.30pm for half term

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 5 June	INSET DAY children at home
Tuesday 6 June	School reopens
Friday 9 June	Year One and Two trip to Martin Mere
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
Friday 30 June	Stay and Play for new starters 9.15am to 11.15am
Monday 3 to Wednesday 5 July	Residential trip to Tower Wood
Friday 7 July	Stay and Play for new starters 9.15am to 11.15am
Wednesday 12 July	Sports Day (time tbc: afternoon)
Friday 21 July	School closes at 1.30pm for the summer break

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!