



A small school with a big heart

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 26 MAY 2023

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Stars of the Week Class 1

All Reception: for an absolutely amazing effort writing a brilliant story!

All Year 1s and 2s: for the most incredible work in English and PE all week. Wow!

Star of the Week Class 2

Ellie: for writing a superb persuasive letter on plastic pollution.



Big Hearts are awarded to:

Bodhi: for his beautiful manners, amazing attitude to all of his learning and for always having a wonderful smile.

James S: for his wonderful work ethic and thoughtfulness towards all his class.

Layla: for being a kind and caring friend.



**Happy Birthday to Sam
who has turned 5, and Erin
who is turning 10!**

NOTICES

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.

Float times and meeting places: please see information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Enrichment Clubs for next half term: please see the information attached. If you have not already done so, please email to let us know which clubs your children would like to do.

Numbers Club: our May winners are Emily Moffat (no 144: first prize £50) and Joanne Darbyshire (no 170: second prize £20). Thank you to all our Numbers Club members. Your support of our school is much appreciated.

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**.

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.

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.

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 half term. See you on Tuesday 6 June!

Garstang Children's Festival Monday 29 May

Please meet on Croston Road, Garstang between 10.15 and 10.30 am

Look for a big red tractor!

All children need to be in their costumes

Masks will be on the float for the children who need them

The procession starts at 11am and finishes at approximately 12pm

Please collect your child/children off the float on Croston Road.

Evening Procession

Please meet on Moss Lane between 5.30pm and 5.45pm.

As above all children need to be in their costumes

Procession starts at 6pm and will finish at approximately 7pm

Please collect your child/children off the float on Moss Lane.

Catterall Procession Saturday 3 June

Please meet on Catterall Gates Lane at 1pm to 1.15pm in costumes

Procession starts at 1.30 and finishes at approximately 2.30pm

Please collect your child/children off the float on the playing field.

Any problems on the day please contact

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As we can not stop on the way round please make sure that your child/ children have been to the toilet before they get on the float. Please apply suncream before the procession.

We are only allowed 4 adults to walk with the float so if you don't want to leave your child please let one of us know in advance so we can include you, as we have planned a rota from the parents who said they would participate. All the children are going on the trailer float so won't actually be walking any distance.

Thankyou everyone for all your help

The Friends