



St Mary's Church

England Primary School

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January 2024 Newsletter

Through God's love and our Christian Values, we encourage each individual to love, respect and value God, themselves and others.

We encourage and nurture everyone to flourish and grow into the unique person God made them to be, ready to go out into the world to love others.

This is rooted in Jesus' words: Love one another as Jesus loved us.
(John 13 v 34-35)

Dear Parents, Children & Friends,

PARENTS EVENING

The next Parents Evenings will be held on:

Tuesday 13th February - 3:40 - 6:50p.m

Wednesday 14th February - 3:40 - 6:50p.m

Appointments will be available to book Parents Evening Manager on ParentMail from 30th January. If you have any difficulty please contact the school office.

SAYING GOODBYE:

We say goodbye to Mrs Atkinson, one of our Teaching Assistants, next week. Mrs Atkinson has worked at St Mary's school for 22 years but is now starting a new chapter in her life as she moves to Pilling in Lancashire. On behalf of the staff, pupils and Governors I would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs Atkinson for all her dedication and hard work and the support she has given to so many pupils. I know you will join me in sending our very best wishes.

RECRUITMENT:

Governors have started a recruitment process. Details can be found on greater Jobs or by following the links below:

<https://www.greater.jobs/search-and-apply/job-details/G4/OL-88324/>

<https://www.greater.jobs/search-and-apply/job-details/G3/OL-88331/>

Closing date for both posts is Friday 26th January 2024 at 12 noon

Themed Weeks:

W/C 5th Feb - E Safety Week



Although e-safety is integral to any of our learning when technology and the internet are used, we will be marking the importance of staying safe on line as part of Safer Internet Day this week. The theme is 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.'





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Throughout the week teachers will focus on e safety awareness in lessons and this will be a theme in some of our worship. Please ask your child to tell you how they can stay safe online.

The link below also provides useful resources for parents.

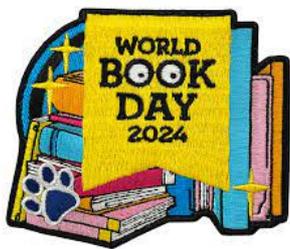
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers>.

We also have a section on our website dedicated to Digital Parenting and Online Safety to help keep you up to date keep of this ever changing and emerging technological world!

W/C 5th Feb - Children's Mental Health Week:

This year's theme is 'My Voice Matters.' My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. During Children's Mental Health Week, we want all children and young people, whoever they are, and wherever they are in the world, to be able to say - and believe - "My Voice Matters". Pupils will explore this through their RSHE lessons. We will finish the week on **Friday 9th February** with a non-uniform day to make our very own 'Rainbow Friday' in school. Pupils are invited to send a voluntary donation of £1:00. These funds will be used to purchase additional resources to support mental health in school.

As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. Check out the free resources for families below. <https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>



World Book Day 7th March:

World Book day and reading is an important part of our curriculum. However, we appreciate that whilst some children relish the opportunity to dress up, for others, this is the worst thought in the world. For parents it can also be an additional financial pressure particularly whilst we are in a cost of living crisis. Therefore, we have decided that World Book Day will be a non-uniform day and children are welcome to dress up in whatever way they like - many book characters are just ordinary people in ordinary clothes or even school uniform, although I am guessing this may be a less popular choice!

Mr Day is finalising our plans for World Book Day but the day will focus upon the benefits of reading for pleasure.

ATTENDANCE:

Good attendance is of great importance for all our pupils and something we celebrate at the end of each term with badges presented to individual pupils.

Each month on the school newsletters we will also celebrate great attendance by class.

The class with the highest attendance this month is **both Year 2 and Year 3 with 97.0% attendance!**

Well done Year 2 and Year 3, keep up this magnificent achievement !



**THEMED LUNCH DAYS:**

The School Council have discussed with their classes what Themed lunch days they would like to have this year. The children have taken a vote and the next themed lunch will be on Thursday 15th February and it is a Disney Lunch.



The Menu is:

Mickey's Mac and Cheese
or
Minnie's Mini Chicken Sliders
or
Dug's Hot Dogs



All served with coleslaw, French fries and mixed salad

Mickey Mouse Biscuit
or
Disney Cupcake
or
Belle's Fruit Cup



The cost of this meal will be £2.60 per pupil. Please book no later than Friday 2nd February, on Parentpay. Please encourage your child to participate in this event which School Councilors are promoting.

Optional: Pupils can come to school with Disney accessories !

Look out for more themed lunch days, coming soon !

LINKS WITH ST. MARY'S CHURCH and WORSHIP IN SCHOOL:

Mother Katy and Father Paul have continued to lead Worship and Circle Time each week for which we are extremely grateful.

In worship we have been thinking about the Christian Value of Responsibility and this term we are looking at Truthfulness.

ST. MARY'S SUPPORT GROUP NEWS:

The next meeting for the Parent Support Group is on Tuesday 6th February at 7:00pm in the North Star. This will be a planning meeting for the year ahead. Please come along all new ideas and new members are warmly welcome.

The next confirmed event for the Support Group is the School Disco on 15th February. This will be **A Glow Disco**! More details from the Support Group to follow.



The next 150 draw will be on Friday 26th January. **We still have vacant numbers if you wish to purchase a number please enquire at the school office.**

UP TO DATE DETAILS:

Please remember to keep the office informed of any changes in medical conditions, emergency contact numbers and email addresses via the school email address info@stmaryscecrompton.oldham.sch.uk or in writing.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT HALF TERM:

Monday:	Badminton	3:30 - 4:30 Y5 - Y6
Tuesday:	Infant Fun Club	12:00 - 12:30pm
	Junior Fun Club	12:30 -1:00pm Yr3 - 4
	Fitness Club	3:30 - 4:30pm Yr 4,5,6
Wednesday:	Choir	3:30 - 4:30 Y3 - Y6
Thursday:	School Band	8:30 - 9:00
	Anna's Dance	3:30 - 4:15 Y1-Y4
Friday:	Gymnastics	3:30 - 5:00

FORTHCOMING DATES:

Mon 22 nd Jan	Oldham 6 th form College lead a Y6 Science lesson
Tues 23 rd Jan	Inclusion Dodgeball Competition at Crompton House
Wed 31 st Jan:	Health Champions meeting
W/C 5 th Feb	E safety Week
	World Children's Mental Health Week
Wed 7 th Feb:	Y6 Sat's Information Evening for Parents
Fri 9 th Feb:	Non - Uniform Rainbow Friday (£1:00 donation)
Tues 13 th Feb:	Parents Evening
Wed 14 th Feb:	Parents Evening
Thurs 15 th Feb:	School Disco

19th - 23rd Feb closed for Half Term Holiday.

Kind regards,
P.A Hartley
Headteacher