Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 8th March 2024



Class 1	95.0	Class 7	95.5
Class 2	95.0	Class 8	97.3
Class 3	96.0	Class 9	97.3
Class 4	95.7	Class 10	94.0
Class 5	95.7	Class 11	91.1
Class 6	99.0	Class 12	93.0

School Attendance Matters This week's Attendance is %



Our target for attendance is 96%

Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 9

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 6 Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 3

The children in these classes will enjoy an extra playtime on Friday next week!

TEENY TINY THEATRE VISIT

On Wednesday Teeny Tiny Theatre visited **Nursery** to help us celebrate World Book Day.

They helped the children develop an exciting story journey involving trains, beaches and space!



Important Message from Knowsley Council

Two incidents have been reported of a man claiming to be from the Council's Education service.

Please remember that any visits to parents would be arranged in advance and council staff have identification badges, clearly showing their photo and name. If in any doubt of a person's identity contact the Council on 0151 489 6000.

THANK YOU PARENTS/CARERS

STAY AND READ

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Year 1 Stay and Read for Class 10. Class 9 Stay and Read will take place on Wednesday 20th March at 9.00am.

Schools Council Visit Knowsley Foodbank

Schools Council paid a visit to Knowsley, Foodbank to find out what happens to the food donated by Schools, churches, businesses and individuals. We took part in a workshop delivered by Toni and Fran, they explained how the Foodbank started in 2011 at St Marks, it was so successful new premises were sought due to the generosity of the general public. Last year alone, Knowsley, Foodbank made 240,000 food parcels.



500 tons of waste is saved from landfill sites.

Any food that is out of date was sent to a Bio digester and transformed into energy.

There are now 5 foodbanks in Knowsley and 19 food clubs were people can buy food at cheaper prices.



Foodbanks and food clubs are mainly run by volunteers but there are also staff who are employed by Knowsley Foodbank.

Professionals such as Doctors, Health Visitors, Social Workers, Teachers, Learning Mentors and the Police identify people in crisis and issue them with a Foodbank voucher, they can then take their voucher to a Foodbank centre where it can be transferred for a food parcel containing three days of food.

Toni and Fran thanked us for visiting and sorting food parcels, they said we are the best school in Knowsley for donating food.







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World book Day

Thank you for helping us celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 7th March! The children all looked marvellous and enjoyed a wide variety of book themed events. We hope you are using your World Book Day vouchers to buy and read a brand new book.

Prayer for Peace

Archbishop Malcolm has called for a day of prayer in the schools and parishes of Liverpool Archdiocese for the Holy Land on Friday 8 March 2024. This echoes the plea of Cardinal Vincent Nichols who has written:

"As we are all aware, the situation in the Holy Land has not improved, with failed negotiations, increasing humanitarian distress and a rising death toll.

As Lent begins, I would like to urge that we continue our efforts, not least in prayer.

And so I ask that, on Friday 8 March, there is a special focus of prayer for the Holy Land. This could take the form of a dedicated time of prayer, perhaps before the Blessed Sacrament, for peace in the Holy Land. It could be as simple as making any regular Lenten devotions you may be having on that day for this intention."

A prayer from the Holy Father for peace

"Let us pray with one heart and one soul – Lord come to our aid, grant us peace, teach us peace, guide our steps in the way of peace.

Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: Never again war.' Lord Hear Us."

"May the weapons be stopped: they will never lead to peace, and may the conflict not widen! Enough! Enough, brothers! In Gaza, let the wounded be rescued immediately, let civilians be protected, let far more humanitarian aid be allowed to reach that stricken population. May the hostages be freed, including the elderly and children. Every human being, Christian, Jewish, Muslim, of any people or religion, every human being is sacred, is precious in the eyes of God and has the right to live in peace. Let us not lose hope: let us pray and work tirelessly so that the sense of humanity may prevail over hardness of heart."



ST MARGARET MARY'S CHURCH

SUNDAY MASS TIMES- Saturday evening at 5.30p.m. and Sundays (including Children's Church) at 10.00a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturday at 5pm.

Please follow this link for the parish newsletter

St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School - Parish Newsletters (stmargaretmarysinfant.com)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPRING TERM

FUTURE DATES

Week beginning Monday 11th March – Crosby Hall Year 2 Residential

Monday 18th March—Neurodiversity week

Wednesday 20th March—Stay and Read Class 9. 9.00am Parents welcome.

Monday 25th March 'Palm Monday'

Tuesday 26th March 'Last Supper services'

Wednesday 27th March 'Stations of the Cross'

Wednesday 27th March Children Break up for Easter

Children return Monday 8th April

<u>Please be aware that on rare occasions dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances.</u>

SWANSIDE COUNCILLORS

The Swanside Councillors send out on a weekly basis a community newsletter that includes support Information from local community centres, churches, etc.

If anyone would like to receive the community newsletter and/or in need of support to contact the Councillors via the email addresses below:

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St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Terms and Holidays

<u>Academic Year 2024-25</u> <u>Autumn Term 2024 Tuesday 3rd September – Thursday 19th</u> December 2024

Autumn Half Term Break up Friday 25th October 2024
Return Monday 4th November 2024
Christmas Holiday Break up Thursday 19th December 2024
Return Monday 6th January 2025

Spring Term 2025 Monday 6th January 2025 to Thursday 10th April 2025

Spring Half Term Break up Friday 14th February 2025
Return Tuesday 25th February 2025
Spring Holiday Break up Thursday 10th April 2025
Return Tuesday 22nd April 2025

Summer Term 2025 Tuesday 22nd April 2025 to Tuesday 22nd July 2025

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 5th May 2025 Summer Half Term Break up Friday 23rd May 2025 Return Monday 9th June 2025 Summer Holidays Break up Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Inset Days

Monday 2nd September 2024 / Friday 29th November 2024 / Friday 20th December 2024 / Monday 24th February 2025 & Friday 11th April 2025.