

# Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter

Friday 9th September 2016

## Welcome Back

We hope you have all had a fabulous summer holiday and you are all ready for a brand new term in brand new classes with your wonderful teachers.

Thank you to all the mums and dads. The children look very smart in their school uniforms and have been coming to school eager to learn.

Thank you to everyone who made the time to come to the Parent's Meetings on Wednesday and Thursday evening. It was a great turn out and I'm sure you gained lots of information about all the things your children will learn in Year 1 and Year 2.

Please have a good look at the dates for your diary on the second page. It is a very busy half term.

### Some polite reminders...

- The staff car park is strictly for staff only. Visitors and parents are politely asked to park elsewhere.
- We are a no smoking site, this includes E-Cigarettes.
- We ask that mobile phones are put away and not used anywhere on the school site.
- Dogs are not allowed anywhere on the school site.
- If you arrive after 9.05 in the morning, please report to the school office to sign your child in late.
- When parking, please do not park across the zigzag lines

### Sharing our Faith

On Sunday 4th September, Mother Teresa of Calcutta was made a saint. She cared for the old, the sick, the vulnerable, as well as children. The following was on the wall of one of her children's homes and is attributed to her;

**People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centred. Forgive them anyway.**

**If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.**

**If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway.**

**If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway.**

**What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway.**

**If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway.**

**The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway.**

**Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.**



## Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 14th September  
Class 4 Stay and Read

Wednesday 21st September  
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Wednesday 19th October  
Walking Bus

**Tuesday 27th September**  
**MACMILLAN Coffee Morning**

Wednesday 28th September  
Class 2 Stay and Read

Thursday 29th September  
Year 2 trip to Chester Zoo

Wednesday 5th October  
Pre School Stay and Read

Wednesday 12th October  
Class 1 Stay and Read

**Thursday 20th October**  
**Parents' Evening**

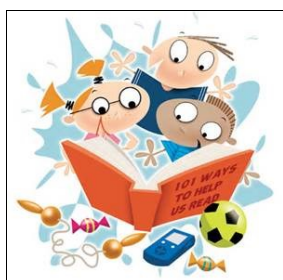
For further dates and information, please  
see our website.

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Following the success of the pre-school Stay and Read sessions last year, each class will have their own Stay and Read Session.

We encourage parents or grandparents to attend and enjoy a special time to read together and listen to advice from the teachers about how you can support your child to read.

Year 2 Stay and Read Sessions will be taking place across September and October. Please see above.



## **School Attendance Matters** **This week's attendance** **Our target for attendance is 95%.**

Class 1	92.6	Class 7	97.3
Class 2	93.1	Class 8	100
Class 3	90.7	Class 9	98.9
Class 4	96.6	Class 10	100
Class 5	98.7	Class 11	97.8
Class 6	94.3	Class 12	95.6

Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 10  
Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 8  
Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 4

## **Punctuality is Important**

Lateness is becoming an increasing problem in our school. If your child is late for school, they often feel unsettled for the rest of the day. They may have missed important teaching from their class teacher.

**Every minute lost in learning can not be retrieved!**

Monday	1
Tuesday	1
Wednesday	6
Thursday	11
Friday	3
Total children late	22

**Of these children a significant number were persistently Late!**

At home time could Junior children remain outside the building.