

St. Mary's Newsletter

November 2014 Issue



Work, play, pray - together

Executive Head Teacher - Miss Elliott:

Royal Visit - Our pastoral care leaders were invited to attend the Rededication Service of the Readhead War Memorial at Harton Quays on 23rd October.

The Rededication service was attended by HRH The Duke of Kent.

The Duke stopped and chatted to our children:

The Duke asked the children if they had relatives who had serving in the forces. Our children could tell him of relatives who are in the forces, one child told him about a cousin who was currently serving overseas.

The school would like to thank Cllr. Fay Cunningham, Mayor of South Tyneside; and governor of St. Mary's for the invitation. Some photographs can be seen on the school website.

Year 2 Message:

This week is World Religion Week in our school and we are all learning about Judaism.

In Year 2 we are finding out about the Jewish festival of Shabbat; God's special day of rest.

Shabbat is a happy time, a day free from work and being together with family.

We will celebrate Shabbat by eating our home-made Challah bread and sharing special Shabbat blessings.

Shabbat Shalom!



Book of Remembrance

As November is the month of Holy Souls, the children will be remembering and praying for all those who have died. Your child will have brought home a sheet for you to record any family or friends you would like included in this book.

Please return the sheet as soon as possible.

Ethos Statements for November

- I try to answer the call of Benedict XVI (Pope Emeritus of the Catholic Church) to be a Saint.
- I will try to remember those brave men and women who gave their lives; in war or conflict, so that we may live in peace.
- I can tell you how I look after myself
- I can work, play, rest and pray each day.

Poppy Appeal

The Poppy Appeal was created by the Royal British Legion to help those returning from the First World War.

The school will be supporting the Poppy Appeal by selling poppies, if you would like a poppy please call into the school office to make a donation.

LIVE ON

To the Memory of the Fallen
And The Future of the Living



Operation Christmas Child

Our shoebox wall is building up and we have collected 45 boxes to date!

They will be collected from school on Friday, 14th November 2014 so if you have not already sent a box or would like to donate some sweets, please send your donation in with your child before the 14th.

Many thanks for your support for this worthwhile cause.

Diary Dates

November 2014

W/C 3rd - Assessment week

W/C 3rd - World Religion Week

11th - Remembrance Assembly

21st - Youth Friday

28th - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome

December 2014

8th - Nursery Nativity (am =10:00am & pm = 2:00pm)

9th - KS2 (Yr3 - Yr6) Concert @ 2:00pm

10th - KS1 Party (Rec - Yr2) @ 1:30pm

11th - KS2 (Yr3 - Yr6) Party @ 1:30pm

16th - KS1 (Rec - Yr2) Nativity @ 2:00pm

18th - Carols in Church @ 6:00pm

19th **BREAK UP for Christmas**

January 2015

5th - **Return back to school**

16th - New Year Mass 9:30am

23rd - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome

23rd - Year 2 Liturgy @ 9:05am

23rd - Year 1 Assembly @2:30pm

30th - Year 4 Liturgy @ 9.05am

30th - Year 3 Assembly @ 2:30pm

February 2015

4th - Diocesan Youth Celebration

6th - Year 6 Liturgy @ 9:05am

6th - Year 5 Assembly @ 2:30pm

10th - Safer Internet Day

13th - Reception Liturgy @ 9:05am

16th - 20th **HALF TERM**

W/C 23rd - Fair Trade Fortnight

27th - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome

March 2015

5th - World Book Day

13th - Red Nose Day

17th - Parents' Night 1 @ 3:30pm

18th - Parents' Night 2 @ 3:30pm

20th - **In-service Day - school closed to pupils**

27th - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome

27th - Whole School Liturgy @ 2:30pm all welcome

30th - 2nd April Holy Week Liturgy @ 2:30pm

April 2015

2nd - **BREAK UP for Easter Holidays**

20th - **Return back to school**

24th - **Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome**

May 2015

4th - **BANK HOLIDAY**

W/C 11th - 15th **SAT'S Week**

19th - Auditions for Production @ 1:30pm

22nd - St. Mary's Day

22nd - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome

25th - 29th **HALF TERM**

Diary dates continued:

June 2015

1st - Return back to school

2nd - Sports Day at School

26th - Coffee Morning in school all welcome

July 2015

6th - Year 6 Risk & Challenge Day 1

7th - SAT's results

10th - moving up day

13th - Production Wizard of Oz (2:00pm & 6:00pm)

16th - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

16th - **BREAK UP**

17th - In-service Day

Morrison's Let's Grow Vouchers:

Thanks to everyone for collecting Morrison's vouchers again this year, to date we have collected 1826.

The order of gardening equipment and vouchers will be posted to Morrison's on Monday - well done!

Message from the Nursery

Our Nursery children enjoyed their Spooky Fun Day on Tuesday, 4th November. They dressed up for the occasion, taking part in colouring, craft and early writing activities, exploring jelly and gloop in our multi sensory area and dancing to spooky music. What a Great Day!



Youth Friday

Year 5 will be leading the school in a Youth Friday Liturgy on 21st November at 9:05am.

Website

Our new website is now live! You can access it at www.stmarysjarrow.co.uk

There is a lot of information about the school and photographs of a variety of events. If there is any information you think would be useful to be located on this site, please let school know.

Children in Need

Watch out for a letter from the School Council with further details of events for Children in Need Day next Friday, 14th November.