

# St. Ann's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024



## Upcoming Events...

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| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May                                  | Bank Holiday – School Closed                          |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May (2:00pm)                       | Mass: Feast of Ascension                              |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May | Y6 SATs   |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> May (8:50am)                        | Year 5/6 Celebration of the Word: Pentecost / Serving |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May (9:30am)                        | Pentecost Parade                                      |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May                                 | Proud to be Me Cancelled due to Pentecost Parade      |
| Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May (5:30pm)                        | Pentecost Mass at St Ann's Church, Deepcar            |

**Proud to be Me:** *LOVE: "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others." St Augustine of Hippo. When we follow Jesus' command to 'love one another', we can be sure that God is with us. Each of you decide on something you can do in the coming days to share your love - to love as Jesus loves. Perhaps you can: as a family, call someone who may be sick or lonely; forgive someone and be friends again; be peacemakers; be extra helpful by putting others' needs first. Come and learn more about Jesus' law of love in Church this Sunday. All are warmly invited.*

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| Reception<br>Year 1<br>Year 2 | Zach<br>Avayah<br>Alex | For his super attitude to writing this week.<br>Who has tried hard in all her learning this week producing some excellent writing.<br>Alex has been working extremely hard on his handwriting, he has shown great determination and perseverance this week, keep it up Alex!          |
| Year 3                        | Zak                    | Zak produced an amazing piece of writing this week, which he shared proudly with others. Well done Zak.   |
| Year 4                        | Noah                   | Noah has shown real determination this week with his writing and has worked really hard with his presentation skills and writing stamina.   |
| Year 5                        | Matilda M              | Matilda has had a great week. She has really impressed us with her determination and perseverance in Maths this week, and has had a fantastic attitude to learning in all her lessons.  |
| Year 6                        | Violet                 | Violet is a superstar. She has blown me away, yet again, with all of her hard work and dedication in Maths. The amount she has improved is incredible! She has also produced excellent work in Reading and Writing, and I can't wait to read her Nowhere Emporium inspired narrative! |

**P.E:** Chase was brilliant this week, he has great throwing and catching skills but was also super helpful. Fantastic behaviour, Well done! Taylor-May had a great lesson this week and really amazed Coach Jake with how much she has improved overall. Her catching was fantastic! Madison is always a star but despite hurting her leg this week she continued and helped her team score lots of points. Well done! Zak Very strong with batting. Excellent work within his group. Marshall - Great demonstration and group work introducing batting with direction. Sofi Well done today! Really gave her best and tried when fielding and batting. Imogen showed great work with her partner. Showed great listening skills and demonstrated batting skills well.

**Swimmer of the week:** Imogen

**Spanish:** Rosalie always listens beautifully in Spanish and joins in really well. Taylor-May tried really hard telling the Plant Pot story in Spanish. Iona showed great colours knowledge in Spanish today. Seb J tried really hard in our Hungry Giant game in Spanish. Joshua R worked superbly this week to create his Spanish tapas dialogue.

**Music:** Zachary for his soft and loud singing and instrument playing this week. Avayah for her super movements in our Vivaldi's Four Seasons music activity. Savannah, Iona and Tegan for their super group performance of their Grumpy Pirate verse. Francesca for her fantastic listening appreciation work this week on Hans Zimmer's *The might of Rome*.

**Happy Birthday** Charlie

**Attendance:** Reception Class with 99.4%

**Silver Award** goes to Kaidan for earning 200 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

**Gold Award** goes to Beatrix, Avayah and Myah for earning 300 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

**Platinum Award** goes to Sofi and Edith for earning 400 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

**Diamond Award** goes to Charlie and Francesca for earning 500 Monster Effort Points – Well done!

**House of the Week:** St Benedict's with 271 points

### Plugs for Parents...

**The Holy Rosary:** May is the month of The Holy Rosary and during this time children from each class will take it in turns to take home The Holy Rosary.

**Mass: Feast of Ascension 09.05.24:** Family, friends and our Parish community are welcome to join us in the School Hall to celebrate this Mass.

**Y6 SATs Treat 17.05.24:** An email has been sent to Y6 parents last week with details of this treat!

**Pentecost Parade and Year 5/6 Celebration of the Word: 17.05.24:** Family and friends are invited to join us for this Celebration of the Word at 8:50am followed by our annual parade down to Fox Valley at 9:30am. Please note: this information has been altered since last week's newsletter.

**National Online Safety:** On 19th April 2024, Ofcom released their annual Media Use and Attitudes Report, detailing the findings of several surveys and their implications for parents, children and young people in the UK. These statistics often include plenty of thought-provoking information relating to online safety. The report itself is extremely extensive, so instead we've provided a bespoke selection of data gathered by Ofcom about children and young people's experiences on social media, video games and the like. Check our guide for a thorough breakdown of the headline findings.

**Nut-Free School Reminder:** For the safety of our children with nut allergies, please do not pack any nuts or nut-containing products in your child's lunch or snacks. This includes peanut butter, Nutella chocolate spread, trail mixes, granola bars, and any other items that may contain nuts or nut oils. Your cooperation in keeping our school nut-free is greatly appreciated.

**SAFFA Gazebo Loan Request:** Planning for St Ann's Summer Gala (22<sup>nd</sup> June – Save the date!) is well underway. SAFFA are asking if any parents/grandparents would be happy to loan a gazebo. They are in need of a few, so the more the better. Please contact Ashleigh at [saffapta@gmail.com](mailto:saffapta@gmail.com) if you are able to help.

**School Uniform Reminder:** As the weather improves, we want to remind parents about appropriate attire for PE as it is important to maintain a dress code that promotes a respectful learning environment. Children should avoid wearing excessively tight or revealing shorts to school. Loose-fitting athletic shorts of an appropriate length are recommended for PE classes. Overly short or skin-tight shorts may not provide adequate coverage during physical activities.

**Year 3/4 Swimming Requirements next Week:** In addition to what your child normally brings to their swimming lesson (eg: swimming costumes and towel), please also pack a T-shirt and shorts next week (Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May) as they will be partaking in a Water Safety session.

**St Mary's Church Charity Stall:** Our Parish Church of St Mary's need some children's books for their charity stall. If you have any good quality children's books to donate, please drop them off at the School Office, thank you.

### Attached or Linked with this Newsletter...

- National Online Safety – What Parents & Educators Can Learn from the Ofcom Media Report 2024
- St Mary's Church and St Ann's Church Bulletin
- [Wednesday Word](#)
- [Ten:Ten Parent Newsletter](#) – May 2024
- [Fines for parents for taking children out of school: What you need to know](#)
- Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre Indoor Table Top Sale