

SMA News

Next week, is the month of the rosary. Please encourage children to bring their rosary beads – they will be used.



Upcoming Events

Saturday 26th September– Wednesday 2nd October

Y4 and Y5 to lead a Family Mass at St Mary of the Angels at 6pm (Please see letter attached).

Let's see which class can have the most children in attendance?

7.30pm PTA Meeting is this evening. Please feel welcome to come along.

Thursday 3rd October

The School Photographer will be in school from 8.45am, for parents with non school siblings. This will then be followed by all other classes.

Themed Lunch in School today

Friday 4th October–

Y6 to visit St Chad's Cathedral— on the bus!

Monday 7th October–

Children will be encouraged to swap their lunch for Soup and a roll(followed by a biscuit) - in recognition of Family Fast. Details to follow from Y4.

Tuesday 8th October

Y1 Trip to Twycross Zoo today

Tuesday 15th October–

Y5/6 Netball Tournament (Walsall Catholic Schools)

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Children in Y5/6 to receive guidance from the LA Prevent team about the importance of being safe online, in school, at home and in the community.



Y6 braved the rain today... bikeability in action!

And Finally...

Thanks to Mr Marsh and the MIST Team for their online safety survey, which is in children's bags today. I really urge you, parents, to complete this with the children. It is a proper starting point for us to find out how we can make a difference together.

I like Y3 because I like learning about volcanoes and earthquakes.

I like Y3 because I really think the P.E is good!

Thank you to Frankie, Roman and Jessica

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WIDER LEARNING

Your children have started their term in a new way, this Autumn. We have introduced a different way of teaching our Geography, History, Art, DT, Music and MfL. For those of you who wish to know more, I have attached our philosophy, already shared with staff. For those who would like the summary version, here it is.

Our learning is much more child centred— they will be finding their own questions; helping each other to spot their own mistakes; looking at their own work and recognizing their key strengths.

Our teaching is as good as ever, however we will be using collaboration, quizzes, memory recall and revision more and more, to help children to embed the key knowledge that they are learning.

Our assessment relies on a proper group effort— children will be helping each other; teachers will be coaching and encouraging children to think for themselves and senior leaders will be speaking with children and staff to evaluate the impact of the team approach.

In the spring term we will invite you to look at the changes, we promise!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY



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Our Secretarial Monitors at work. Thanks



Parents in School, enjoying a roast dinner

Our Community links

Y6 have been really busy, since the start of term taking part in their cycling proficiency, listening to experts from the community sharing their views and also engaging in First Aid awareness day, led by St John's Ambulance.

We are going to ask them to share what they can recall and why they think we are facilitating these opportunities, next week. Perhaps you can give them some clues, Mums and Dads?

On Wednesday, we had 24 hungry adults and 30 excited children sharing their early experiences. Thank you for coming— it helps children to feel safe and secure in their new environment.

Respect for the Community

At this time of the year, we often get a little bit of "road rage" outside, on Weston Crescent and Cranleigh Close. I have sent a letter to all new parents, explaining the voluntary one way system. Please can existing parents, in cars, be fair. Parking on a bend, parking over someone's drive, double parking and obstructing the flow of traffic give the school a bad name. Please don't do it.

School and PTA News

Fruity Friday and Strawberry Milk drinks— have been a huge success. We listened to what you wanted; you have responded really well. Huge thanks— we have fitter, wiser children as a result. Thanks to the school cooks also... they have risen to the challenge effectively.

Family Mass this Saturday, at 6pm will be led by Y4 and Y5. Thanks to Mrs Coleman and Mrs Hayes, for their preparatory work. Thanks also to all parents who have returned their attendance slips. We are confident that we will have over 50 children in attendance; leading and supporting— Fantastic!

Congratulations to our 50/50 Winners for August and September . They are as follows:

£23.13 for : M Cosgrove , J Sault , S Howell , M Anwender

£22.81 for: Mr & Mrs Henley , S Kolar N Fellows , L Jones

Aldi Vouchers are trickling in. We have a long way to go to gain anything, so please keep them coming.

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