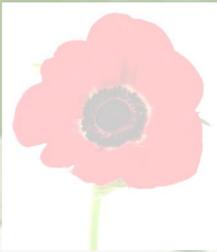


SMA News

At the setting of the sun, we will remember them



Upcoming Events

Friday 15th November–

Y4 Class Assembly 9.10am
Remembrance Day theme

EYFS Induction Morning for prospective Nursery and Reception children 10am

Thursday 21st November

Power of One Anti Bullying Presentation for all children Y1-6

Friday 22nd November–

First Mufti Day—in aid of the School Fete. Children can wear their own clothes in exchange for toiletries.

Sunday 24th November–

9.30am in church Y6 Mass of Commitment and Family Mass

Friday 29ndNovember–

Second Mufti Day—in aid of the School fete. Children can wear their own clothes in exchange for £1.00

Thursday 5th December (am) –

Blue Bags due back in school for collection today

Friday 6th December–

Final Mufti Day in exchange for bottles and School Fete “Meet Santa”, after school 3.45pm start. All are welcome.

And Finally...

Thank you to the parents who completed the recent “settling in survey” for children and parents new to the school. To date, we have 43% returns and we will publish a summary of findings next time. They are really helpful. One plea, if there is something of concern, then please add your name to the survey. That way we can respond personally.



Well done Rubylin; well done Mrs Hayes; well done children. We remembered our brave soldiers appropriately

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UPDATES

It is great to see the children in winter uniform; in almost all cases, they look really smart and business like.

Please can I ask that children from Y3 upwards start thinking about moving towards a “proper” tie, without an elasticated neck. Resilience and self belief are worth fostering, even if it is just in how to progress to a proper tie. Many thanks.

Can I also remind parents that: all children need to have long hair tied up, all children with pierced ears need to remove earrings during P.E. Also that children only wear earrings, or ribbons, in the school colours – studs and small ribbons/hairbands please parents – this prevents accidents happening, avoiding loops attaching to doorways etc

Finally, can I remind parents that shoes need to be proper shoes, in school colours – not trainers or pumps or other fashion shoes.

Thank you in anticipation.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY



Please remember to speak with us if you have a legitimate concern or worry; we will always do our best to address these with compassion and honesty.

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These are hanging on all classroom walls as part of our Behaviour Policy

ATTENDANCE

Our two parent governors requested that I share the good news presented at the most recent Governors’ Meeting, this week, about attendance on the news letter. I am really pleased to inform you that, with your concerted effort and determination to ensure your child is in school on a daily basis, our attendance is ranked comfortably in the top 1/3rd of the country. We are not complacent and would like it to be even higher, however, need to praise those children and parents who are working so effectively- as a team to manage attendance effectively. Attendance break down currently looks like this:

- YR 90% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time
- Y1 88% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time
- **Y2 97% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time**
- Y3 93% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time
- Y4 87% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time
- Y5 76% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time
- ♦ Y6 80% of pupils are present for 90%+ of the time

Where attendance is particularly low, by the end of the Autumn term, I will be asking for parents of persistent absentees to arrange a meeting to identify next steps in managing absence.

PTA NEWS

Please remember that upcoming events are posted on the Facebook page: [St Mary of the Angels PTA Facebook page.](#)

You should have received a blue bag before half term. Please return them by the 5th of December (no earlier please, parents, as we have no place to store them).

OTHER NEWS

Recent fundraising, via harvest initiatives, saw a donation of £43 being sent to Cafod and £43 being sent to St John’s Care Centre. Well done children and thank you Mums and Dads!

Thanks also to Rubylin, and her many classmates and peers, who turned up to support the Remembrance Parade in Aldridge. We are proud of you all.

We look forward to Y4’s assembly to share in their work on Remembrance Day also, tomorrow morning at 9.10am, accompanied by a representative from St Francis of Assisi to lead us in the Last Post.

Please remember tomorrow is the **LAST DAY for ALDI stickers.**

Any children who missed the recent flu vaccinations please see the poster on display in the cabinets outside school for details of alternative venues and dates, for administration of this vaccination.

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