



"Grow together in Christ"

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Catholic Primary School Leeds

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Head Teacher's Newsletter 30 – 10.5.23

Virtue to live by:

TRUST

I trust God that there is good in the world.



Attendance: Last week the class with the best attendance was Year 1 with 100%. Well done to Year 1 – you are on an amazing attendance journey – keep it up!

Please ensure that your child is on time to school. The gate opens at 8.20am each morning and pupils should be in classes by 8.30am.



Awards: These awards are given out in Friday's Gold Book assembly and must be returned the following Thursday.

Handwriting:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Olivia	Jack P	Finlay K	Noah	Elsy	Dominic	Ethan

Excellent attitude to learning award: these are prestigious awards, and the children should be very proud of themselves for achieving these. Well done.

EYFS/ KS1: - Rose – Year 1

KS2: The whole of Year 6



Coronation Celebration Day: I hope that you had a wonderful weekend with your families and friends. The children thoroughly enjoyed our dress up day last Friday. Thank you to the parents for staying for a cuppa and a scone. It is wonderful to see our school community so vibrant and working in partnership. Thank you to FOSM for organising the prizes. The prizes went to:

Daniel (Reception), Molly (Year 4) and James (year 6)



Year 6: Year 6 will receive a fun day next Thursday 18th May. I have booked a team building company to come in and work with them to solve challenges. Mrs Sweeney and I will also cook a BBQ lunch for them – no need for pack ups that day! This is a way to say Well Done to each and everyone of them for their hard work, determination, and resilience!

Mini Vinnies: Thank you to the Mini Vinnies and to Miss Horan who turned up to help last Sunday after the 9.30am mass. It was lovely to see so many children come to make a crown, draw of colour. They also made tea and it was a pleasure to be waited on by our wonderful young people.

Important days and dates for this half term

Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th
SATS Week for Year 6

Tuesday 16th May
Class Photos (note change of date)

Thursday 18th/ Friday 19th May
This Green Moon for Year 5

Sunday 21st May
First Holy Communion
Year 4 @9.15am Mass

Thursday 25th May
Break up for half term

Friday 26th May
Training Day
Staff CPD with Educational Psychologist

Monday 5th June
Training Day (PE CPD for staff)
New Parents Meeting 5.30pm

Thursday 15th Friday 16th
D:side Drug education for
Rec – Y6

Friday 23rd June
Dance Spectacular at
Headingley

Sleepover for Year 5 & 6 -
more details to follow.

Saturday 1st July
Rothwell St Mary's
SUMMER FAIR

Friday 7th July
Reception Class Assembly

Monday 10th July
Transition Week in School

Monday 17th July
School Sports Day
KS2 am at 9am
Rec + KS1 pm at 1.15pm
Please bring your own chair
or picnic blanket and pray
for good weather!!

Gold Book and Choir: There will be no gold book or choir this week. Year 6 have SATs on Friday due to the bank holiday and Dionne is away this week. I cannot cover as we have staff CPD. We should be back to normal next week with Choir on Tuesday and no more bank holiday weeks! Thank you for your patience whilst we have had to make so many changes. Appreciated.

Home learning: As a school we do not set long pieces of homework on a regular basis, but we do expect that you support your child to complete reading every night and to improve their fluency in maths by going on TT Rockstars of Numbots. There has been a significant negative attitude towards home learning, and this is having an impact on some pupils learning in school. A partnership must be alive and working for each child to succeed! Little and often is not too much to ask!

Assemblies- We have two assemblies still to enjoy!

Term	Sum 2	Sum 2
Year	Year 6	Rec
Date	16/6/23	7/7/23 Note change of date!

Poetry Recitals: Only one poetry recital to see now - Year 3 – 16th June 2023

KS1- Year 2 will be completing tests for the last time, these will begin the week after Year 6.

We all know that tests do not determine the destiny of any child, the richness of a child's character and their outward qualities and their ability to be a good citizen are far more important. However, we do want children to feel a sense of success in life and we need to prepare them for the next stages of their education too.

Communicating with staff members: Please can I remind parents that the correct email address to use for any communication to staff is head@rothwellstmarys.org.uk. Please can I ask parents not to use staff personal emails as this can add to excessive workload or undue anxiety outside of the school working day.

Provision beyond the school day for Summer 1:

Day	Provision	Year Groups	Staff
Monday	Reading Fluency Tag Rugby	Selected pupils All	Mrs Sweeney Ace Club
Tuesday	Reading Fluency Booster Woodland Art Club	Selected pupils Y6 KS2 KS1	Mrs Sweeney Miss Nicholson Mrs Sheldon-Price Miss Cohen
Wednesday	Reading Fluency Racquet Sports Booster Food Ambassadors (once per half term) Art Club Tasty Treats	Selected pupils All Y6 KS2 KS1 KS1	Mrs Sweeney Ace Club Miss Nicholson, Mrs Hallos, Mrs Poole Mrs Sheldon Price Miss Cohen Miss Stephens
Thursday	Reading Fluency Y4 TT Rockstars (before school) Choir (temporary) Football	Selected pupils Y4 Y2 upwards Y2 Upwards	Mrs Sweeney Mrs Poole Dionne & Miss Leonard Ace Club

Future Dates:
Thursday 20th July
Leaver's assembly 9am
Y6 Play for parents 1.30pm

Friday 21st July
Mass 9am
Breakfast roll, tea, coffee for
parents

Please can you let the school
office know if you are going
to attend.

Brunch Lunch
Break up 1pm

Collective Worship Times
Parents are invited to attend
in person.

Year 6 – Thursday 8.30am
Year 5 – Thursday 2.40pm
Year 4 – Tuesday 2.45pm
Year 3- **Monday 2.40pm**
Year 2 – Thursday 8.40pm
Year 1 – Thursday 8.30am
**Reception – Thursday 8.40
am (new time)**

Church Bulletin
Please use the link below to access
St Mary's Church weekly bulletin.
[https://www.stmaryrothwell.org.uk/
bulletin/](https://www.stmaryrothwell.org.uk/bulletin/)

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org.uk](mailto:pp.stmary.rothwell@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

	Gardening	All	Mrs Sheldon -Price / Mrs Penchion
Friday	Netball	Y5/ Y6	Mrs Sweeney

Twitter: All our teacher now keep our Twitter page updated. Please follow us @rothwellstmarys to find out what has been happening in school each day.



Florence in Year 1 has displayed a fantastic understanding of the different diets of animals. What beautiful drawings and presentation! 🐾 🐟 🐘 🐶 🐱 🐭 🐹

Year 2 have been practising their athletics skills this afternoon!



FOSM: Can you help us please? Do you have a spare gazebo that FOSM can borrow on the 1st of July for the Summer Fair? If you do, please email yourfosm@gmail.com. Thank you all in advance.



School Lottery:

Safeguarding:

Our safeguarding policy for 2022/23 is available on the school website <https://www.rothwellstmarys.co.uk/school-info/safeguarding/>. Our safeguarding team is below.

Miss Leonard, Mrs Sweeney, Ms MacPherson, Mrs Sheldon-Price should you wish to contact us, please use the usual address. We have a duty of care to protect all our children and families.

Safeguarding Support for Parents: This week's safeguarding support is all about online safety- top tips for smart devices used by children - <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides/what-parents-need-to-know-about-children-s-devices>

Always remember that the door is open, and your first port of call should be your child's class teacher. If you need to speak further, then please see Mrs Sweeney or failing that myself. It is always better to nip things in the bud and get a resolution quickly with your child's teacher.

God Bless Miss S Leonard –head teacher head@rothwellstmarys.org.uk

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- = £30 weekly cash prize
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