



"Grow together in Christ"

Rothwell St. Mary's  
Catholic Primary School Leeds

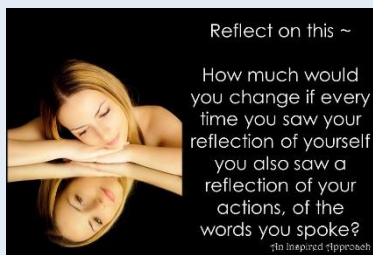
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## Head Teacher's Newsletter 37 – 5.7.23

Virtue to live by:

**WISDOM**

**I take time to reflect on my actions.**



**Attendance:** The best attending class last week were Y2 again, with **98%**.

Let us work together to build our attendance over the next 3 weeks. I have received an abundance of holiday requests forms – please note that school cannot authorise any holidays in term time. The children will be working up to the final day of term!



**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
Daniel	Sophia	Isaac	Maya	Odin	Heath	Nathan

**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:** Noah – Year 3



**Netball:** The netball team played in the final last Thursday evening and did amazingly well. They came away winning, and this is first for our school. Mrs Sweeney was so proud of how they played and how they showed respect throughout all the games. Well done to all the girls and thanks to Mrs Sweeney for the time given to work with the team over the year.



### Summer Fair: Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

Thank you to our Rothwell St Mary's community for coming together on Saturday. It was wonderful to see so many current faces as well as those who passed through our school over the years. Thank you to anyone who helped in any way to make the event so successful.

Those in the planning stages,

preparation on the day, setting up, giving time to man stalls, and clearing away. As the saying goes, many hands make light work!! The financial results will be shared with you once the banking has taken place.



### Important days and dates for this half term

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Reception Class  
Assembly

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

**Transition Week in School**

**Reception home visits  
and visits to school**

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> 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!!

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

Leaver's assembly 9am

Y6 Play for parents  
1.30pm

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 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



**Message from Sarah (Chair of FOSM):** A big thank you to everyone who attended or helped at the summer fair on Saturday. We had a super turn out and hope that you all enjoyed yourselves. FOSM will be back at Sports day serving refreshments and snacks to drive our last bit of fundraising before the end of the school year. Hope to see you all there.



**STEM Ambassadors:** On Tuesday, our STEM ambassadors attended Leeds Trinity University to present the work that took place on our Climate Day in school. Mrs Poole was very impressed with how the children presented themselves. This was their first experience of life at university!

**Year 5 high school visit:** On Monday, Year 5 were invited to take part in a Beckets high school experience day. They experienced lessons in art, science and PE and were able to see the school running on a normal day. I enjoyed meeting the new head teacher and seeing how excited our children were to have experienced lessons in high school. Thank you to Mrs Hallos and Mrs Penchion for accompanying the children and the Beckets staff for hosting the day.



**Summer Picnic beside the Seaside Special:** We will be having a themed lunch this Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Menu – fish and chips, vegetable bites and chips, bread and butter, peas or baked beans, Rocket Lolly. If your child normally has packed lunches, please book a dinner via School Money if they wish to take part.

**End of year Brunch Lunch:** We will have an earlier lunch on the last day of term. This will be after the parent tea/coffee and breakfast roll. If your child wishes to join in and they normally have a packed lunch, please can you order on School Money. The brunch is:

Sausage Sandwich  
Veg Sausage Sandwich  
Herby diced potatoes  
Beans or tomatoes  
Sweet Waffles Yoghurt or fruit.



**Events up the end of the year:**

**wk/beg 10<sup>th</sup> July Transition Week** –. The children will all move up to their new classes. This will be for the whole week. Mr Murtagh will also be here for the whole week in Year 5. Please encourage your child to show resilience this week and to take all opportunities - may be even step out of their comfort zone!

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Reception class assembly

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Pupils moving to Rodillian leave our school. This means that they are off our school roll. I warmly invite them back to watch the Year 6 play, take part in leaver's assembly and to come to school on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July at

**Future Dates:**

Return to school.  
We begin our new school year on  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September.** The staff have their first training day on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

**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/>

Telephone: 0113 8242819 Email:

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

**Summer Safety**

With the holidays approaching very soon, please follow this link to seek support of how you can keep your child safe online over the summer.

<https://safetynet.skipseducational.org/>

**Times of school-**

Gate opens at 8.20am and closes for the start of lessons at 8.30am. Please ensure that you arrive during this 10min window.

12.45pm to be part of the leaving procession. Parents of these children must be in attendance due to insurance.

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July** – KS2 Results day

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July** – Reports home to parents

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – KS2 Sports day in the morning – 9am-11.45am. Please bring a chair. FOSM plan to do tea/coffee.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports afternoon for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. This will begin at 1.15pm. Please bring a chair. FOSM plan to do tea/coffee.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July** – Leaver's assembly at 9am. Space will be limited.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July**- year 6 play for parents at 1.30pm

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – End of year mass at 9am. Please make an effort to come and join us in our mass. This will bring us all together in thanksgiving and faith.

Please let me know if you attend to stay for a breakfast roll after mass.

**Clubs so far:** We have booked the following clubs in for the beginning of next academic year.

Monday - Dance (any age),

Tuesday – Choir (Y3 upwards)

Wednesday – Tag Rugby (any age)

Thursday – Football (any age)

Thursday – Gardening Club for Autumn 1

I hope this helps with your booking forms for September.

**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. Keep an eye out for our latest news.



**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.

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. **Remember – working together achieves more!**

God Bless Miss S Leonard –head teacher [head@rothwellstmarys.org.uk](mailto:head@rothwellstmarys.org.uk)

