



“Grow together in Christ”

Rothwell St. Mary's
Catholic Primary School Leeds

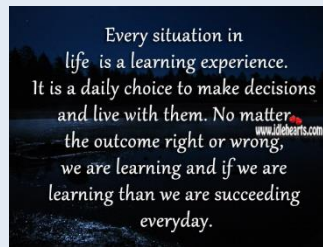
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Virtue to live by:

WISDOM

I learn from my experiences.



Attendance: The best attending class last week were Y2 and Y1 with 99%. Well done to both classes and to Year 2 for holding onto the award for a second week.



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
Billy	Alice	Patryk	Isla G	Darcy	Harper	Natalia

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: - Arlo – Year 2

KS2: Niamh – Year 4



Sports Day: This will take place on Monday 17th July. KS2 will be in the morning session and Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in the afternoon. FOSM are doing snacks/drinks (including alcoholic) on sports day so please can people bring cash.

Pen-Y-Ghent: What an achievement for Year 4 last week. The whole class made it to the summit on Thursday, climbing as a team and encouraging each other along the way. Staff were astounded by the resilience shown and the determination to support each other. Year 4 are our trailblazers for mountain climbing. All the children and adults received certificates in assembly on Friday. The way parents supported and joined in the climb too, was wonderful – thank you! Get your boots cleaned for the next adventure!!



Important days and dates for this half term

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!!

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

Future Dates:

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

School Calendar for 2023 2024

The calendar can be found on our school website:
<https://www.rothwellstmarys.co.uk/school-info/school-calendar/>



Goodbye: We said goodbye to the children leaving to attend Rodillian on Friday. We wish, Odre, Natalia, Bradley, Thomas L and Max the best of luck. We hope to see you in the final week for the assembly, play and mass. They ended the year with an exceptional water fight!! Less of the fight and more of the water!!!

Seaside Lunch: Thank you to Mrs Frankland and her team for cooking up the seaside lunch on Friday. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and the sunshine even came out for the occasion.



From plant to plate: This week, the gardening club, harvested their crop. Jessie was delighted with her potato. Below you can see the harvest and then the meal at home! Thank you to the staff who run gardening club. This is such a vital skill to learn at a young age!



End of year goodbyes: We will be saying goodbye to some staff at the end of the year.

Mrs Mace: Mrs Mace has worked at our school for MANY years, starting in the kitchen many moons ago, and her final role as teaching assistant in Reception class. Mrs Mace has supported many children over the year, seen many changes and been our first aid lead for many years too. We wish Mrs Mace all the health and happiness in the world as she retires from our school to spend quality time with her family and doing all the things she loves to do.

Mrs Hatherly: Mrs Hatherly has also worked at our school from MANY years! She has given her time each day to support the children at lunchtime. Mrs Hatherly has got to know generation of families and she has loved the chats and company that this role has brought to her. Sadly, Mrs Hatherly's health has

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

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.

meant that she has not been at work for some time now and she has decided to take early retirement at the end of the year. Again, we wish her some good health and hope that she looks forward to spending time with her granddaughter.

Miss Platt: Miss Platt has worked at our school for the past two years, supporting individual pupils as well as being a TA in various classrooms. Miss Platt leaves us to take up a position at Oulton Academy in September. We wish Miss Platt good luck in her new role in September.

We will say our final goodbyes and present staff with a token of our appreciation in our final assemblies and mass next week. I am sure many of you join me in wishing them all well and thanking them for all that they have given and achieved whilst at St. Mary's. God bless you all.

Summer Activities: You will have received emails from me last week with details of summer activities for your child. If I receive any other information, I will pass this on to you.

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:

Tuesday 11th July – KS2 Results day

Wednesday 12th July – Reports home to parents

Friday 14th July - Year 6 Dress Rehearsal for whole school

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

Monday 17th 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 20th July – Leaver's assembly at 9am. Space will be limited.

Thursday 20th July- year 6 play for parents at 1.30pm

Friday 21st 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.

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