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Please see below news and important information regarding this week and the week ahead



The Parable of the Prodigal Son Luke 15:11-32

This week we have reflected on last Sunday's Gospel Reading from Luke, one of the most popular and memorable of Gospel stories. At the heart of this reading is the theme of forgiveness and of unconditional love. We see the younger son, who is selfish, impulsive and greedy. He insults and leaves his father thinking only about his inheritance and himself. After falling upon hard-times and reaching the lowest point he decides to return, again for only self-gain and not out of love or consideration for his father. Upon seeing his son return the father asks no questions of past mistakes and bears no grudge. The father welcomes his son back with an open heart and the open arms of forgiveness. For us we can take reassurance that whatever we may have done wrong, if we are truly sorry and ask, we can still count on the forgiveness of God, who is our Father. Through His mercy and His forgiveness we become ever closer in our relationship, with Him.

'For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'

Emmaus Catholic Academy Trust

On Tuesday 1st April, our school officially became an Academy and part of the Emmaus Catholic Academy Trust. We are delighted to now be 'St Margaret Mary's Catholic Academy'.

I would like to thank Mrs Woodruff, our School Business Manager, who has played an important role in working alongside the Trust over the past few months, to ensure that this transition met key deadlines and went as smoothly as possible. As pupils, parents and staff we will see very little if any change, but know that we are working in collaboration within a wider Catholic community that has a Mission to serve others and be faith-filled. We look forward to working more closely with other Catholic schools both locally and further afield in the Trust.

Jubilee Year of Hope: Own Clothes Day



A word of thanks for your fantastic support of our own clothes days during the past few Fridays in Lent. Your kind donations and contributions will support our Lenten fundraising efforts and our PTA Easter Tombola towards the end of term. Thank you again for your support and generosity.

Easter Egg Tombola

The Friend's of St Margaret Mary's will be organising an Easter Tombola. This will be on Tuesday 15th April from 3.15pm. Tickets will sold from the playground and if you have a ticket ending in 0 and 5 you will be able to claim your prize from the school hall.

This is usually a lovely and well supported family and community event and raises lots of money for CARITAS.

We would like to thank you in advance for your generosity and ongoing support and look forward to seeing you at our Easter Tombola!

Many thanks,

Mrs Welch and the Friends of St Margaret Mary's.



Governing Body Update

Upon transitioning to an Academy the structure and role of our Governing Body has altered. The governance of the school and the governing 'body' becomes referred to as a 'Local Governing Board'. As such the term of office of our Local Authority Governor, Mrs Knutton has come to an end. I would like to express a sincere word of thanks and appreciation for the many years of service and dedication that

Mrs Knutton has given to supporting the pupils, families and staff of St Margaret Mary's.

Finally, following our recent Parent Governor Elections, I am pleased to announce that Mrs Keenan-Smith and Mr Holland have been nominated and elected to the posts. I am very thankful to them both for their nominations and their commitment to support the pupils and families of St Margaret Mary's.



Final Reminder: Friends of St Margaret Mary's Movie Nights

A final reminder that the Friends of St Margaret Mary's would like to offer a movie night for all children.

Each year group will have the opportunity to vote for the movie they would like to see. The movie with the most votes will be the one shown on your child's movie slot.

Admission £3.00 per child - This includes snack, drink and a movie
Payments can be made via the school gateway app.

Monday 7th April 3.15pm – 4.00pm Nursery and Reception

Monday 7th April 3.15pm – 4.30pm Years 3, 5 and 6

Wednesday 9th April 3.15pm – 4.00pm Years 1 and 2

Wednesday 9th April 3.15pm – 4.30pm Year 4

Please note that some of the movies the children will be voting for are rated PG – Parental Guidance, therefore parental consent will be gained by your choice of booking.



We hope to see you there!

Friends of St Margaret Mary's



EYFS Open Evening

On Monday 14th April we are holding our EYFS Open Evening from 3.30—5.30 p.m. We would like to welcome families and children who will be joining us in Nursery in September along to this event, which will be an opportunity to look around our EYFS unit and meet our staff.

We also welcome any families that are considering a future place for their child at St Margaret Mary's to come for a look around and meet our EYFS staff.

We look forward to seeing you there!



LSC Bookings

Dear Parents /Carers,

Just to let you know that bookings are now open for next half term's LSC extra-curricular activities at St Margaret Mary's RC Primary School.

To book please follow this link: <https://bit.ly/3OPnQhw>

We Look forward to seeing you soon!

Team LSC!



Look at our great work!

wonderful writing

Nursery have been exploring 2D shapes! We went to find some in our environment and drew our own ...



Year 1 have been drawing hands on the clocks to represent times to the hour and half past ...



In Computing, Year 1/2 have organised their data, used a tally chart to create a pictogram and explained what it shows ...



Year 3 have been exploring 3D shapes this week, looking closely at the amount of faces, edges and vertices they have ...



Year 3/4 are developing their sewing skills and are adding fabric patches to their cushion using appliqué ...





Well done to this week's 'Stars of the Week' ...



**Faith-filled and
hopeful ...**



Well done to all of our pupils who demonstrated our school virtues – 'faith-filled and hopeful' this week...





Congratulations to our Times Table Rock Stars and Numbots winners this week! Keep up the good work!



Congratulations to our "Rollama" SPAG winners this week! Keep up the excellent work!



**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

3S are this week's class attendance winners with a fantastic 98.8% attendance!

Nur W 98.3%	Nur/RecW 93.3%	RecK 93.7%	1T 95.2%	1/2H 92.4%	2M 94%
3S 98.8%	3/4D 98.3%	4C 94.3%	5C 96.4%	5J 93%	6G 98%
6W 97.7%					

Dates to remember

Monday 7th April—EYFS, Years 3, 5 & 6 Movie Night

Wednesday 9th April—Years 1, 2 & 4 Movie Night

Tuesday 15th April—Easter Egg Tombola

Wednesday 16th April – School closes for Easter at 1.00 p.m. Monday

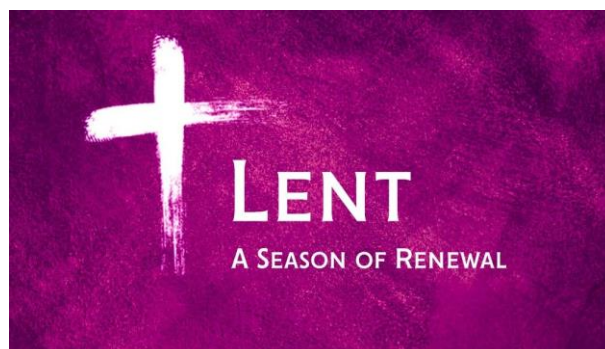
28th April – School reopens at 8.45am

IMPORTANT
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I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God bless!

Mr. Sutton



Headteacher