

Newsletter – Friday 21st October

Feast Day of St Margaret Mary - Sunday 16th October

Sunday was the Feast Day of St Margaret Mary, whose visions of Christ helped to spread devotion to the Sacred Heart throughout the Church.

On Monday, as a school, we celebrated her life and remembered her in our prayers as a school family. We give thanks for her inspiration and special place in our lives.



Parent Governor

Thank you and congratulations to Mrs Keenan-Smith whose application for the vacant Parent-Governor position was successful. We welcome Mrs Keenan-Smith onto our Governing Board and know that she will be



Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening this week. These appointments are very important and your support is very much appreciated, as well as the feedback we received.

If you were unable to attend your appointment please ensure you speak to the classteacher to reschedule. We also thank St Matthew's who sent staff to attend the KS2 evening to be on hand to answer any questions that prospective parents and children may have.













Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England

Safety on St Margaret's Road

It has been brought to our attention that a small number of our parents are continuing to park in restricted areas along the street and block residents' driveways. This week we received a complaint that a resident's car had been hit and the driver had left without leaving their details.

Please can I ask that you respect the residents of St Margaret's Rd and also keep our children safe by only



Condolences

It is with deep sadness that we have learned of the passing of Mr Brian McNulty, a former headteacher of St Matthew's. Brian served the school community for many years and is remembered with affection by the staff at St Matthew's and past pupils alike, many of whom are now parents of our current pupils. From next week, there will be a book of condolence at St Matthew's High School, you are welcome to call in and sign it, the messages and memories within it will be passed on to his family after the funeral.

School Spider App

Please ensure you download the School Spider app and log in as soon as possible in order to not miss out on any important information. If you do not know your login details you can follow the 'Forgot Password' link using the email address that we hold for you in school.



World Mental Health Day

Thank you once again for your generous contributions towards the Mental Health Workshops that were provided to the children last week. The children learned important techniques to help them take control of their mental well-being and become true Mindfulness Superheroes.



Good Luck

Good luck and best wishes to Miss Williams and her fiancé who will be getting married over the half-term break. We hope your day is wonderful and wish you lots of love and happiness in your future together.



Movie Night

A reminder that 'Movie Night' will be taking place in the first week back after the holidays:

Tuesday 1st November: EYFS, Y1, Y2 and Y3

Wednesday 2nd November: Y4, Y5 and Y6

The cost is £2.50 per child, this covers the cost of the movie, a drink and a treat.





RecH: Aurora L RecM: William N Y1J: Teddy T Y1/2M: Brody A Y2R: Noah M Y3S: Marcus W Y3-4D: Elliot C Y4T: Aiden C Y5J: Poppy T Y5M: Jimmy-Dean F Y6G: Michael E Y6W: Erin K





Congratulations to our Times Tables Rockstars this week.

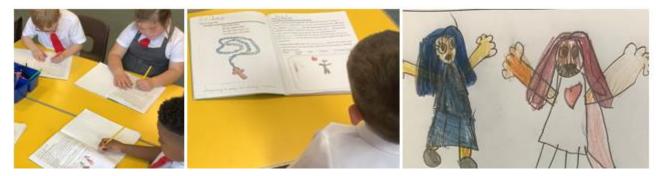


Some of our wonderful work this week...

EYFS have been exploring pumpkins.



Y1 celebrated St Margaret Mary's Feast Day and learned about her life.



Y1/2 led the assembly this week; it was about All Saints' Day.



Y2 have designed, made and evaluated their own bridges.



Y3 implemented the attacking principles they have been learning in a game of football.



Some of our wonderful work this week...

Y3/4 had a fantastic time in the planetarium learning about the solar system and different constellations.



Y4 gave a fantastic class assembly on Wednesday, themed around mental health and emotions.



Y5 have designed a model that uses at least two different outputs in their Computing lesson.



Y6 learnt the chords of the 12 bar blues on the ukulele in their music lesson.



A half term message from our Sports Ambassadors



Healthy Habit - get active outside!

- Collect conkers and play conkers
- Collect different coloured leaves
- Walk your pet dog regularly they will love the leaves
- Use a leaf identification chart to spot different leaves
- Build a hedgehog house
- Make some bird feeders
- Make a leaf wreath

Don't forget to tag us on twitter @StMM_2021

We can't wait to see what you get up to outside this Autumn half term!

Dates/Events to remember:

Friday 21st October – School breaks up for half-term 3pm Monday 31st October – INSET day Tuesday 1st November – School re-opens after half-term 08.55 Tuesday 1st November – PTA Movie Night for EYFS, Y1, Y2 & Y3 - £2.50 to attend Wednesday 2nd November – PTA Movie Night for Y4, Y5 & Y6 - £2.50 to attend Thursday 3rd November – EYFS Open evening [drop-in from 3.30 to 5.30] Thursday 3rd November – Reception & Y6 Height & Weight checks

Finally, a special word of thanks for all of your support this half-term. I wish you all a very restful break over the coming week.

Take care,

Mr Sutton