



St. Catherine's
RC Primary School

2021-2022
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**The children's enthusiasm
to make a difference
to our school and
wider community
is wonderful to see.**

News from St. Catherine's R.C. Primary School

'Be who God wants you to be and so set the world on fire.'

Student Leadership

Each class has now elected new School Council members to represent them. Congratulations to:

Year 2: Maisie and Lucy

Year 3: Eva, David, Kaila and Siofra

Year 4: Evie, Uma, Harry, Teresa and Christopher

Year 5: Amy, Valentine, Bethany and Benny

Year 6: Matylida, Aila, Max and Braden

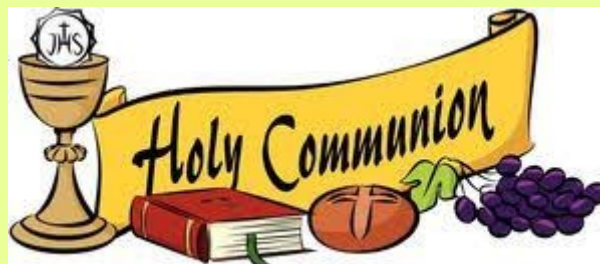
They have already launched an art project focusing on our mission and core values in addition to leading on putting 'Rights Respecting' into action.

Year 5 have been very interested in the role of Caritas Ambassadors and the recruitment process is well underway for this. Applications for Year 6 to become members of the GIFT Team (Growing in Faith Together) close on Wednesday.

Sacramental Programme

This weekend was important for our Year 3 children as they started their journey towards First Forgiveness and Holy Communion.

The presentation Masses are the beginning of a year special year. Please pray for our children and their families.



Please make sure that if your child is sick they must remain at home for at least 48 hours after the last bout of sickness.

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Rights Respecting

Our children have been busy nominating adults within school as the Duty Bearer of the Week. It is the responsibility of all adults to ensure all children access their rights and to act if their rights are not being met. The Duty Bearer for this week is Miss Jones, nominated "for helping us learn and always having a smile."



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Laudato Si Centre
DIOCESE OF SALFORD

Environment Mission Week

This week is the inaugural Environment Mission Week in school across the Diocese of Salford. This ties in so well with the forthcoming COP26 Conference, the focus on climate change and our responsibilities to make a difference. It also highlights the those struggling with homelessness and poverty, and what we can do to help.

"Let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and the environment"

POPE FRANCIS

Please join in our Food Collection for Caritas Harvest Appeal. Details of items needed can be found later in this newsletter.

Lunchtime

With so many more children enjoying a school dinner at lunchtime we are promoting good table manners, particularly eating with a knife and fork. Staff are there to help the children cut up their food but also showing them how to do this themselves. Please can you support this at home so our children become more independent.



Punctuality

The children in Reception, Key Stage 1 and 2 need to be in class ready to learn by 8.45am. Please make sure your child is on time as arriving late has such an impact on their learning, but also their start to the day. If you are later than 8.45am the children need to be signed in at the Main Entrance.

Five minutes lost each day amounts to nearly half an hour a week. This lost learning mounts up and has an impact on progress, attainment and wellbeing.

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Cross Country

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the cross country event which took place at Wythenshawe park on Saturday 9th October. Each child who took part did so well. Every single one of them should be really proud of themselves.

Year 3/4 girls - Lily, Amelia and Monique

Year 3/4 boys - Leo, Chibuzor, Luca and Zayd

Year 5/6 girls - Camilla, Joanna, Livia and Loukia

Year 5/6 boys - Isaac, Noah and Ewan



The next event is on **Saturday 6th November**. Please come along and join in — everyone is very welcome to participate. Many thanks to Mrs Anderson for supporting our school and making this possible.



Covid has disrupted many of our PTA activities over the last 18 months but it has also shown us the importance of community and connection.

We are rethinking the traditional 'chair' role and would like to propose that the previous responsibilities are divided into a number of roles.



A ParentMail has been sent on Friday with all the details. We would like to encourage as many people as possible to get involved. Your help will be appreciated no matter how much or little time you have to give!

The next PTA meeting will be on **Tuesday 9th November** at **7pm** in school, followed by a get-together in The Parrswood from 8pm.

There is a Bag2School collection this **Tuesday 19th October**. Please put your donations in the Church porch by 9am on the day keeping the doorway clear.

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Harvest Appeal

This autumn and winter, Caritas services will meet the needs of around 5,000 individuals or families experiencing a challenge or a crisis. We will provide practical help, such as a food parcel, shopping vouchers or an 'in-crisis' emergency grant to replace a household item. We will be there for people who need housing and tenancy assistance, help with making an application, or just a listening ear. We will be collecting items listed below in school. Your child can bring these items into class as part of our Harvest Appeal.

Food cupboard items

- Tins of meat, e.g. mince & onion, stews, curries, chilli, corned beef, ham, chicken, chopped ham & pork, meatballs, hotdogs (tinned or in jars)
- Tins of vegetables e.g. carrots, peas, potatoes
- Sauces (tins or jars) e.g. for pasta, curry
- Baked beans and tins of spaghetti in tomato sauce
- Tins of soup
- Tins of beans (not in tomato sauce) such as pinto, butter, kidney
- Tins of chickpeas
- Tinned tuna fish
- Tins of fruit, custard, rice pudding, evaporated milk / Carnation cream
- Long life/UHT milk, semi-skimmed and full fat
- Cordials for diluted drinks
- Pot Noodles, packet noodles, microwave rice
- Sugar and coffee
- Crisps and biscuits

Additional food for 'the street'

- 200ml fruit juices and small bottles of water
- Tinned foods with a ring pull
- Cream crackers
- Sandwich paste
- Small boxes of cereals / Kellogg's variety packs / Small packs of Cheerios
- Mini / lunch box style custards, rice puddings, jellies
- Sweets and chocolate bars of any description.



**Cornerstone is a wonderful charity which is part of Caritas
Diocese of Salford - let's help them as we always do!**

Calling All Wizards

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY & YOU COULD WIN:



**Harry Potter
& The Cursed Child
Family Theatre Voucher**

&

**Harry Potter
Warner Brothers Studio
Family Tour Ticket**

- Please help boost school fundraising
- Cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000
- Tickets cost just £1 a week

BUY TICKETS



Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 30th Oct 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website)