



St. Patrick's R.C. Primary, a Voluntary Academy Newsletter

2nd May 2025

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Weekend Masses: Vigil Mass - Saturday, 6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's

9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's

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WEEKEND MASSES - Come to the table, everyone is welcome!

If there is any parent who wishes their child to be baptised, please contact the Parish Priest of the parish in which you live. If you live within the boundaries of this parish, please see Father Paul after one of the weekend Masses listed above. Alternatively, Father Paul can be contacted on 07764791889 or at paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

WITNESS: In this Sunday's Gospel, we continue to learn the Easter story. After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples for the third time. The disciples had been out fishing and as soon as they came ashore they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Look after my sheep." Then he said to him a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter said, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep." Enjoy your special family time this weekend and discuss this week's word, **'WITNESS.'**



Coming to church especially during the season of Easter will help your family learn about Jesus, the early Christian Church and will help you to make a fresh start, growing closer to God. Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel by joining us at St. Patrick's or St. Malachy's at the above Masses. Alternatively there are other local churches with other Masses available: all are very warmly invited.

"Dear young people, Jesus is counting on you to be his friends and witnesses to his infinite love." (Pope Francis)



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTERS: We had TWO winning classes last week and not only did they win, BOTH classes achieved the perfect score of 100%. This is outstanding!! Congratulations to the children and families in Reception and Year 6. What a fantastic start to the term. All of these children were rewarded with a non-uniform day today and we hope they enjoyed this treat. Other high scoring classes were Year 2 & 3 who exceeded our target of 97% and enjoyed an extra play time. Remember, we have set all children a target to do their very best to improve their attendance and punctuality this term if it needs to. Results for all classes are below.

Nursery: 94.3%	Reception: 100%	Year 1: 96%	Year 2: 98.1%
Year 3: 99.1%	Year 4: 94.7%	Year 5: 96%	Year 6: 100%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 97.2%			



TOP TIPS FOR ATTENDANCE: We often have to change our mobile number. Have you remembered to tell us of this change? Please make sure you get in touch with our administration team to ensure we have your latest number. Help your child to become an attendance HERO (Here, Every day, Ready and On time).



YEAR 5 - FUTURE PUPIL LEADERS: Mrs Clinton spoke to the Year 5 pupils today about the process they will go through to apply for their prefect roles in September. They will need to write letters of application for the positions they wish to take. They will then perhaps be invited to an interview where they will be questioned about their choices and why they are the best applicant. She will be assessing their leadership qualities against our Gospel Values and life skills, as well as testing their knowledge and understanding of protected characteristics regarding equality.

DONATIONS TO TRIPS: To give advance notice to parents/carers, we are anticipating that most trips will cost at least £15.00 (maybe more!) a child this year. Transport costs continue to be astronomical. By giving you this advance notice, we do hope that you can plan and save for the trips. As soon as the cost of the trip has been calculated, we will inform parents. A great way to get children to 'earn' this treat would be to give little chores around the house so they can make a contribution to the trip themselves.



READING TOP TIP: Our top tip this week is: **Enjoy bedtime stories.** Read with your child at bedtime as often as you can. It's a great way to end the day and to spend valuable time with them. Sharing a book at bedtime helps develop your child's vocabulary, gets them used to the idea of regular reading, and gives you both a great opportunity to bond.

ONLINE SAFETY: Talking regularly with your child can help keep them safe online. Making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed. It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you. But it's easy to become overwhelmed with the different technology, the language that children use, the huge number of games and apps which are available and the potential risks. If this is something you'd like some support with, please have a word with your child's teacher.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: This is a reminder to all parents/carers whose children attend after school club. Our club finishes at 4.15 p.m. and we do not have staffing capacity after this time. This means we expect parents to be here, ready to collect at 4.15 p.m. If parents are late collecting on two occasions, their child will lose their place. Thank you for your co-operation. Now that the evenings are longer, children in Years 3-6 are able to walk home but parents must phone the office to authorise this.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL: This is a reminder to Y6 parents that the Y6 residential is costing £300. We urge you to start making payments, no matter how small so that you aren't left to make a large payment in June. The deadline for paying the balance isn't far away now - Monday, 2nd June.

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NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE: Are you looking for a nursery place or know someone who is? Is their date of birth on or before 31.08.2022? If so, we have places within our nursery available for your child to start after Summer! For more information about the admissions process please call in at the school office.



FACEBOOK: If you aren't doing so already, please 'like' our page on Facebook so you can keep up to date with all of the latest news! Teachers will be posting about what the class are up to during the week and they'll post photos also! Search us as **St. Patrick's Manchester** and we should pop up.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Pope Francis (RIP), Jo Phillips and family, Miss Rehan & family, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, Caritas, our families on the Sacramental Programme those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul, Father Anthony, the Presentation Sisters, the Missionary Brothers of Charity, our children and staff and all other private intentions at this time.



BEDTIME PRAYER: Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to be witnesses by our love so that others will come to know the joy of knowing you. Amen

GOVERNANCE: We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor at our school to join our newly formed Local Governing Board. If this is something you would be interested in volunteering to do, please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Clinton.

*Stay with us, Lord...on our journey.
Guide us on our journey
as pilgrims of hope.*



Humility

Faithfulness

Service



IMPORTANT DIARY DATES (subject to change and updates)

DATE	ACTIVITY	To note
05/05/25 (Mon)	School closed for a bank holiday	
08/05/25 (Thur)	Stay & Play for Nursery & Reception parents, 9.15 a.m.	
09/05/25 (Fri)	Ice-cream treat for April winners for attendance	
09/05/25 (Fri)	Deadline for Y5 pupils to apply for prefect roles for next year	
12/05/25 (Mon)	SATS for Y6 pupils all week. Children to come to school for 8.00 a.m. for breakfast club	
12/05/25 (Mon)	Art workshop for Y5 (at St. Edmund's)	
14/05/25 (Wed)	Sacramental Programme meeting for parents, preparing for First Holy Communion, 6.30 p.m.	
15/05/25 (Thur)	Interviews for Y5 pupils for future prefects Rounders competition at St. Matthew's for Y5 pupils	
16/05/25 (Fri)	Interviews for Y5 pupils for future prefects P.E. kits to go home	
20/05/25 (Tue)	SPORTS DAY!!!! Morning (9.30 - 11.30) - Nursery, Reception in EYFS Morning (9.30 - 11.30) Years 1, 2 & 3 - Abbott's School field Afternoon (12.30 - 2.30) - Years 4, 5 & 6 - Abbott's School field	Wear P.E. kit to school (no football kits)
21/05/25 (Wed)	Mass & May procession for Rec-Y6 9.15 a.m. All welcome	Flowers
23/05/25 (Fri)	FANTASTIC FRIDAY for the winning house	
23/05/25 (Fri)	Non-uniform day for school fund School closes at the usual time of 3.15 p.m.	50p a child £1 a family
	SCHOOL IS CLOSED FOR ONE WEEK ONLY	

2nd half of the Summer term

02/06/25 (Mon)	School opens at the usual time Deadline for Y6 parents to pay for Robinwood Residential Year 4 children have their assessment of timetables	£300
04/06/25 (Wed)	Mass in St Patrick's Church for Y5 & Y6 (led by Y6) - all welcome	
06/06/25 (Fri)	Non-uniform day to raise funds for CARITAS & Jubilee Year of Hope	50p a child £1 a family
06/06/25 (Fri)	Ice-cream treat for May winners for attendance	
09/06/25 (Mon)	Phonics screening check for Y1 children We receive the diocesan anchor for the Jubilee Year of Hope from St. Malachy's School. School liturgy	
11/06/25 (Wed)	GIFT team & some prefects take the diocesan anchor to St. Anne's, Ancoats	
18/06/25 (Wed)	PROVISIONAL - NURSERY & RECEPTION TO SMITHILL'S FARM	
22/06/25 (Sun)	9.15 a.m. First Holy Communion Mass & celebration at St. Patrick's Church - all welcome (Feast of Corpus Christi)	
23/06/25 (Mon)	Meetings for Y6 parents for Robinwood residential - 3.30 & 5.00 p.m.	
24/06/25 (Tue)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 3 TRIP TO CLICK & CLIMB	
25/06/25 (Wed)	9.15 a.m. First Holy Communion Mass in Church - all welcome. Official photographs and party day for the children	Bring party clothes
25/06/25 (Wed)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 5 TRIP TO BROCKHOLES, CUMBRIA	
26/06/25 (Thur)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 1 TRIP TO GULLIVERS' WORLD	
27/06/25 (Fri)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 2 TRIP TO BEWILDERWOOD	
01/07/25 (Tue)	Art Exhibition in the school hall. Children display their art work - all welcome	
04/07/25 (Fri)	Ice-cream treat for June winners for attendance	

07/07/25 (Mon)	Year 6 children go to Robinwood until Wednesday	
07/07/25 (Mon)	PROVISIONAL - YEAR 4 TRIP TO VENTURE OUT	
08/07/25 (Tue)	Stay & Play for Nursery & Reception parents, 9.15 a.m.	
11/07/25 (Fri)	FANTASTIC FRIDAY for the winning house	
15/07/25 (Tue)	1.30 p.m. 'PATSBURY' - all children to perform	Wear festival clothes
18/07/25 (Fri)	Annual reports go out to parents (parents can make appointments with teachers to discuss reports next week) P.E. kits go home, staff collect in reading books, childrens' work can be sent home	Plastic bag
21/07/25 (Mon)	Transition day	
23/07/25 (Wed)	Whole school Mass & Y6 leavers' celebration party day	Bring party clothes
25/07/25 (Fri)	9.15 a.m. Final assembly for Nursery & Reception - all welcome 11.00 a.m. Final assembly for Y1-Y6 - all welcome 1.00 p.m. SCHOOL CLOSES	Wear school uniform