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





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 Parish Website: https://stpatricksliveseyst.yolasite.com/ School Website: <u>www.st-patricks.manchester.sch.uk</u> Facebook page: St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Primary School, Manchester

<u>WEEKEND MASSES - Come to the table, everyone is welcome!</u> 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 07764 791889 or at <u>paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk</u>

> Our 'Statement to Live by' next week is: 'I understand the importance of peace.'

**NEIGHBOUR**: Loving God and our neighbours is the foundation of a good life, but it is only through loving God first that we are really able to love our neighbours as God intends. Who is our neighbour? In this Sunday's Gospel we read about the Good Samaritan. Through this parable, Jesus answers a question from a lawyer and tells us that our neighbour is any person who needs our help, regardless of who they are or where they come from. At the end of the Gospel, Jesus then tells the lawyer to go and act as the Good Samaritan did. It's a message for us today. Who will I be a good neighbour to this week? Enjoy a very special time together this weekend, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this week's word, which is **NEIGHBOUR**.

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Coming to Church helps us to have peace in our lives and we grow 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.

<u>ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTERS</u>: We had some better results last week for our weekly class competition. Congratulations to our winning class Year 1 who couldn't have done better and achieved 100% - they were rewarded with a non-uniform day today. Well done also to Years 2, 4 & 6 who also exceeded our school target. Can your child be an attendance HERO? (Here, Everyday, Ready, On time) because we have lots going on in school.



Nursery: 95.2%	Reception: 93.3%	Year 1: 100%	Year 2: 99%
Year 3: 93.3%	Year 4: 99.2%	Year 5: 93.4%	Year 6: 97.5%
	WHOLE SCHOOL: 96.1%		

**TOP TIPS FOR ATTENDANCE**: Get uniform, bags, P.E. kits, lunchboxes ready the night before. Help your child to get organised in good time.



**<u>ROBINWOOD RESIDENTIAL</u>**: Our Year 6 children had a fantastic time away at Robinwood this week. For many of the children, it was their first time away on holiday without their parents/carers and this was a big deal!! They had a fantastic time but not only that, learnt more about themselves and each other. We saw lots of encouragement, courage, resilience, cooperation and laughter along the way. It's an expensive trip but we think the children will agree they got their money's worth. Year 5... get saving up your pocket money and you may get invited to go this time next year!

<u>ART WORK</u>: This is your last chance to order a framed copy of your child's art work from the gallery we had last week. Please get your orders into the office by Monday at the latest. Payment is  $\pounds 4$ .

**<u>PATSBURY</u>**: It's music festival season and who needs Glastonbury when we're planning our very own 'Patsbury' music festival on **Tuesday**, **15**<sup>th</sup> **July**. Gates will open at 1.30 p.m. and all parents/carers are invited to attend. Children are encouraged to come to school in festival gear. If you're not sure what the dress code is, just Google it to get some ideas. Please don't spend any money on outfits, children can wear whatever they feel comfortable in. Again, it's a

really important part of our music curriculum that children should perform to others and they have been working extremely hard with Mrs. Durcan and their teachers for this spectacular event!! Fingers crossed for good weather. Children on school dinners will enjoy a festival type lunch that day to get them in the mood!!

<u>PLAN B</u>: We now have a plan B in case of inclement weather on Tuesday. We will send

out an email and text on Monday evening but this is the plan if we expect rain....

9:30 a.m.: Nursery, Reception, Years 1 & 2 in the hall

1:30 p.m. Years 3, 4, 5 &6 in the hall

We can only apologise if parents/carers have already made plans to arrange time off work to attend but we can't control the weather!

**<u>MEETING MR MCMAHON</u>**: As parents are aware, the school will have a new headteacher starting at St. Patrick's in September. Mr McMahon is very much looking forward to meeting everyone in the community and getting to know you all. He will be joining us for part of the day on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> July so please come and say 'hello' and welcome him if you see him when collecting your children.

<u>LUNCH MONEY</u>: Unfortunately, we need to increase the cost of a school lunch to £2.70 per day / £13.50 per week from September. This is unavoidable due to rising costs.

<u>SUMMER BREAK ACTIVITIES</u>: As always there are some fantastic activities taking place across Manchester during the summer holidays so parents might want to get children signed up quickly. Two such activities are: 'Parktastic' and the 'Garden read challenge'. Check out our facebook page for more information and go along for lots of fun!

**CALLING ALL YEAR 3 CHILDREN:** In September, it will be the current Y3 class who will be attending swimming lessons. It might be worth talking to the children in Y4 to find out what to expect. We know you're going to have a great time either learning to swim or improving your style. If you've never been to the swimming baths before, we do recommend a trip or two to your local pool so that you can familiarise yourselves with what to expect. We can guarantee you'll have a splashing time!

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS**: Parents/carers have until this Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July to place your orders for your official photographs.





PARKTASTIC – Free Summer Holiday Activities In Manchester







**NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE**: Are you looking for a nursery place or know someone who is? Is the child's 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.

**FSM VOUCHERS FOR THE SUMMER BREAK**: The Council has approved funding for supermarket vouchers for children eligible for free school meals (FSM) for the Summer break to help with the financial pressures placed on many of our families at this time. More details about this will be issued in the coming weeks.



**<u>DIARY DATES</u>**: Please make a note of all the important dates for these final weeks. We are busy busy busy!!

**VACANCY**: We currently have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Organiser at our school starting in September. This is 10 hours a week (2 hours a day) from 11.15 a.m. - 1.15 p.m. If you would like to help children enjoy their lunchtimes, you're prepared to work hard and are reliable, please speak to the administration team in the office and ask for an application form.



**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 <u>St. Patrick's</u> <u>Manchester</u> and we should pop up.

<u>SPECIAL PRAYERS</u>: Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Pope Leo XIV, Jo Phillips and family, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, Caritas, our children who have made their First Holy Communion recently, 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.



<u>JUBILEE YEAR - PILGRIMS OF HOPE</u>: In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus teaches us that every person, without exception, is our neighbour - particularly anyone in need. Through the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus is showing us how to be truly human and so change the world through loving and serving our neighbour.





**BEDTIME PRAYER:** Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for teaching us how to be good neighbours. Help us to show our love through our actions and so to be respectful and caring to all we meet. Amen.

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



## IMPORTANT DIARY DATES (subject to change and updates)

DATE	ACTIVITY	To note
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	Bring a plastic
	(parents can make appointments with teachers to discuss reports next week)	bag
	P.E. kits go home, staff collect in reading books, childrens' work can	
	be sent home	
21/07/25 (Mon)	Transition day - children meet their new teachers and class mates	
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	Wear school
	11.00 a.m. Final assembly for Y1-Y6 - all welcome	uniform
	1.00 p.m. SCHOOL CLOSES	
02/09/25 (Tues)	8.50 a.m. School reopens for the new school year. All children to go to	Wear school
	their new classes	uniform





