



# ST. MARK'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



## Headteacher's Message

Dear parents/carers,

Thank you for your incredible support this week with our Harvest collections. Your generosity, as always, has been overwhelming, and we are very grateful. It was lovely to celebrate Mass together in school on Wednesday. Fr Ernest was genuinely impressed by the children's knowledge of the Catholic faith, particularly in how confidently they answered some very challenging questions.

We were also delighted to welcome Adela Ramsbottom from the Parish to our Mass. Adela came to collect the wonderful items donated for the Shoebox Appeal. She will return early next week to collect any remaining donations, so if you would still like to contribute, please send your items into school by Tuesday. Thank you again for your kindness in supporting those in need.

A huge thank you to our wonderful Year 6 pupils who helped guide prospective parents around school during our Nursery and Reception Open Evening on Tuesday. They were respectful, responsible and truly excellent ambassadors for our school.

Year 6 also visited the Imperial War Museum at Salford Quays on Thursday and, once again, represented our school with great pride. Their behaviour was exemplary – so much so that members of the public approached staff to pass on their compliments. Well done, Year 6!

Thank you as well to Year 4 for leading a thoughtful and reverent assembly on Thursday. We especially enjoyed hearing the hymn 'As I Kneel Before You' sung so beautifully during this special month of the Holy Rosary. Thank you to Miss Houghton for preparing the children so well and for accompanying them so wonderfully on the guitar.

As we approach the end of another busy week, thank you once again for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Woodruff.



Class	Attendance
<b>N</b>	<b>80.9%</b>
<b>R</b>	<b>86%</b>
<b>Y1</b>	<b>84.6%</b>
<b>Y2</b>	<b>93.2%</b>
<b>Y3</b>	<b>88.4%</b>
<b>Y4</b>	<b>96%</b>
<b>Y5</b>	<b>97%</b>
<b>Y6</b>	<b>95.8%</b>
<b>WHOLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>90.3%</b>



## Important Dates for next week

Monday 20th October

⚽ Football Match at Peel Hall – Our school team will be playing at Peel Hall. Children involved have received letters with full details.

Tuesday 21st October

📅 Open Day for Prospective Nursery & Reception Parents – If you or someone you know would like to book a visit, please contact the school office on 0161 794 3876.

📷 School Photographer – The photographer will be returning to take photos of any children who were absent on the previous visit. Miss Allen will be in touch with the families this applies to.

Wednesday 22nd October

📅 Open Day for Prospective Nursery & Reception Parents – Another opportunity for prospective families to visit. Please call the school office to book an appointment.

Thursday 23rd October

🏐 Dodgeball Event at The Deans Primary School – Selected Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will be taking part. Those involved have received letters with further information.

- Own clothes day for Year 5 for highest attendance.

🕒 School Closes for Half Term at 3.30pm – We return to school on Monday 3rd November.

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