



## 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### *A note from the Head...*



Mrs Medrano has left the building and has officially retired. Thank you for all of her gifts and kind messages. She will be sorely missed by the staff and pupils, but we are hoping to tempt her back for a visit with some of Steph's cheese quiche after her travels in the New Year.

Next Thursday, we have parents evening in school. If you haven't received a time, please speak to the class teacher. It is imperative that all parents have a meeting to share the successes of the school term.

As a parent, it is quite normal to ask your child how their day has been. But it can be quite deflating when they don't answer or dwell on negative things. Try to avoid leading questions such as 'Did you find maths difficult today?' or 'Was X unkind to you again today?' It's always better to ask positive questions. For example, 'What's your favourite lesson?' 'What was the best game you played at playtime?' or 'Tell me the names of two people you played with today.'

If you have concerns about the stories that your children tell you when they get home, please always ring or pop into school and share these with us. We try

to ensure that all problems are dealt with before the end of the day so that they don't spill into home life, but if they don't tell us, we can't help them to solve their problems. As well as academic learning, the children are learning how to play, behave and socialise with others. At times, there are friendship problems or scuffles, but whilst at school they have the opportunity to learn from their problems as we guide them to become 21<sup>st</sup> Century citizens.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Drake

### *Community news*

#### *St Charles Mass*

On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November, our children will be leading the 11.15am at St Charles Church. Father Ernest has requested that as many children and families attend as possible. The children will be leading all aspects of the service, just like we do during a school mass. Please do support us in this new event, aimed at helping to bring the school and local community together.

#### *Warm Hearts*



Thank you so much for your generous donations to the Warm Hearts campaign. 29 hot water bottles have been safely handed in and will be distributed to those in need next week.



### *Harpers Army*



### *Children in Need/Harper's Army*

Our chosen charity for this half term is Harper's Army. Harper is a local baby who has been diagnosed with a highly aggressive form of neuroblastoma. Her elder brother Harry is a former pupil of St Charles. We will be holding a cake sale on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November to raise money to send Harper abroad for life saving treatment. Pudsey will also be visiting school at 2.30pm next Friday to celebrate Children in Need. The children may come to school in Pudsey clothing or spots. All money raised next Friday will be donated to Harper's Army.

### *School news*

#### *Dogs in the playground*

In the past, dogs have been allowed onto the school playground. Following an update to our risk assessments, please can you leave your dogs at home.

#### *Christmas Markets*

Our Christmas Markets will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm . We have lots of exciting new stalls planned. Next Friday, we are collecting bottles... ANY type of bottle, anything goes.

#### *Book fair*

The book fair has returned. The book fair will be available to view and purchase from on Monday, both before and after school. It will be available during parents evening too.

### *Uniform*

School uniform plays a key role in promoting pride, self-confidence, and a feeling of belonging within the student body. These factors contribute to students' wellbeing, removing the additional pressures of deciding what to wear and added stress of meeting the expectations of their peers. Children may wear their school jumper or a PLAIN navy sweater or hoodie and a plain pair of navy leggings or joggers. No logos or stripes please.

### *Attendance*

Just a little reminder, it can be quite easy to keep the children off when they have a little snuffle or a slight temperature, when on reflection they were well enough for school. Also, if your child appears unwell in the morning but perks up, please don't be afraid to bring them in for the rest of the day.

If you are unwell or unable to get your children to school, please speak to the school office and they will make arrangements to help.

Class	Weekly attendance
Nursery	89%
Reception	92%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	98%



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### Appointments

If your child has a medical appointment during school time, please show the office proof of their attendance at drop off or pick up. Due to new regulations, we are unable to authorise medical appointments without proof.

### Celebration certificates



There was lots of aspiring news in assembly. We have a lot of children who are following in the footsteps of St Charles Borromeo. Well done everyone.

### Sporting achievements

#### Sporting superstars



A range of sporting skills were recognised for dancing, volleyball and multi skills. We are so lucky to be able to offer such a wide range of sports to our children.

### Achievements



Grayson and Lilly-Anne shared their exciting news, that they were chosen as players of the week in their football clubs. Grayson headed the ball away from the goal and prevented the other team from scoring. Well done.

Please encourage your children to share their news and achievements from outside of school in assembly on Friday.

### Coming up...

#### Sibling photographs

Sibling photos will take place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

#### Cross country

After a successful first year of cross country last year, the new season is fast approaching and this year we would like to submit another team to compete against other schools from across Salford. The races are due to run at Buile Hill Park and is open to KS2 as follows:





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- 25<sup>th</sup> November
- 9<sup>th</sup> December
- 6<sup>th</sup> January
- 20<sup>th</sup> January

There are 4 races:

- Y3/Y4 Boys 9.30am
- Y3/Y4 Girls 9.40am
- Y5/Y6 Boys 9.50am
- Y5/Y6 Girls 10.10am

**ALL** children are invited to represent school, regardless of ability. It is a very muddy event but great fun.

### *End of the school day*

Nursery	3:15pm
Reception	3:20pm
Year 1	3:25pm
Year 2 – Year 6	3:30pm

### Communication

#### *Letters*

Copies of letters sent from school can be found [here](#) on the school website.

### *Dates for your diary*

#### Week 3

##### **Thurs 16<sup>th</sup>**

Parents evening – in school 2pm – 6pm

##### **Fri 17<sup>th</sup>**

Children in Need/Harpers Army non uniform and cake sale

##### **Sun 19<sup>th</sup>**

Whole school Mass at St Charles 11.15am

#### Week 4

##### **Mon 20<sup>th</sup>**

Sibling photographs am

##### **Weds 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Y3 Prayer service (9.05am in class - All welcome)

##### **Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Y4 Class Assembly (All welcome)

Flu Jab

Whole school Jolabokafloð celebration

#### Week 5

##### **Weds 29<sup>th</sup>**

Advent Mass (9.15am in school - All welcome)

Christmas Markets 3.30pm

##### **Thurs 30<sup>th</sup>**

Whole school Panto – Treasure Island

#### DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ADVENT

#### Week 6

##### **Weds 6<sup>th</sup>**

Nursery Christmas Show 10am

Reception Christmas Show 2pm

##### **Thurs 7<sup>th</sup>**

Reception Christmas show 10am

Nursery Christmas show 2pm

##### **Fri 8<sup>th</sup>**

KS1 Christmas show 2pm

#### Week 7

##### **Mon 11<sup>th</sup>**

KS1 Christmas show 10am

##### **Tues 12<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 Christmas show 10am

##### **Weds 13<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

##### **Thurs 14<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 Christmas show 2pm

##### **Fri 15<sup>th</sup>**

EYFS Party day

#### Week 8

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION WEEK

##### **Mon 18<sup>th</sup>**

KS1 Christmas Party

##### **Tues 19<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 Christmas Party

##### **Weds 20<sup>th</sup>**

Christmas carol service (2pm – in church)

##### **Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>**

Non-uniform day/Toy Day

**FINISH at 1.30pm**

#### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

**21<sup>st</sup> DEC – 8<sup>th</sup> JAN**

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**As a family of God, we love to learn and learn to love**