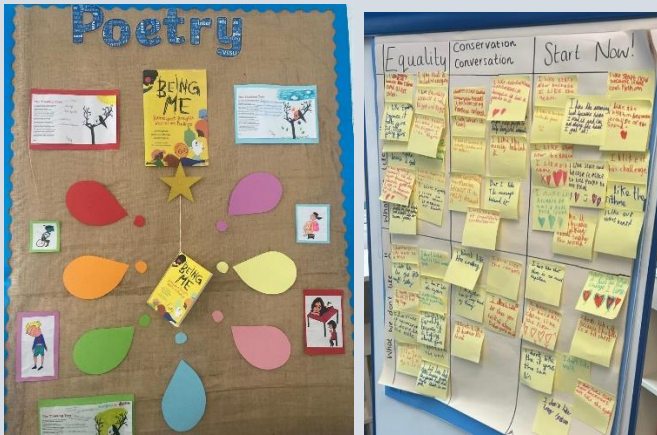




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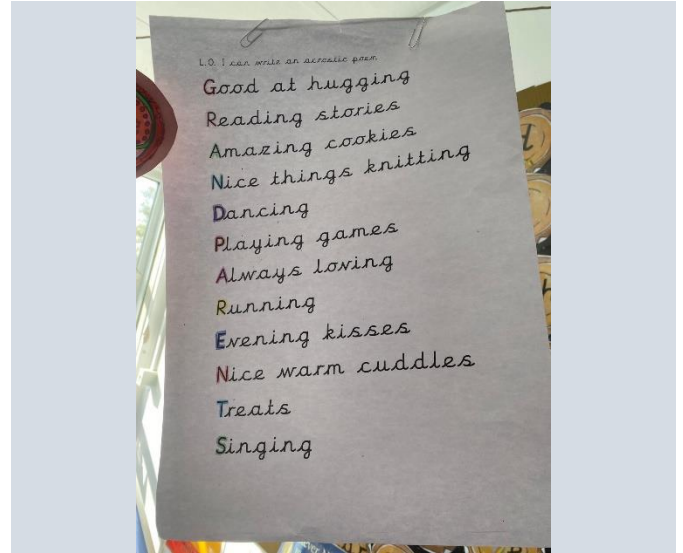
A note from the Head...

September went out with a bang! (more like a flood)
Thank you for your flexibility at pick up and drop off on Monday.



This past week has been a particularly inspiring one at school as we celebrated National Poetry Day and National Grandparents Day, alongside our usual learning and activities.

The children embraced the beauty of words and the power of expression in a range of creative ways. They explored poems from a variety of traditions, including some that reflect our Catholic values of love, kindness, and gratitude. It was wonderful to see how they used poetry to share their thoughts on faith, friendship, and the world around them and prepared them for our visit from Mancunian poet Matt Goodfield on the 17th October.



Year 1's assembly was heart warming and the children honoured their grandparents through stories, songs, actions and . It was wonderful to see the love and gratitude they expressed for these important figures in their lives. Thank you to all the grandparents who joined us—your presence made the day even more special!



Please could I remind you that if you need to contact school, this should be done by telephone 0161 921 1945, email stcharles.rprimaryschool@salford.gov.uk or dropping into the school office.

Mrs Drake



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Safeguarding

In light of the incident which took place in the summer in Southport, we have spent lots of time altering our security arrangements. From Monday, parents should not enter the school building via the children's entrances without a member of staff. If you would like to speak to the teacher, please leave a message with the member of staff on the door or ring the office and make an appointment. Miss Daley is available in the office from 8.30am.

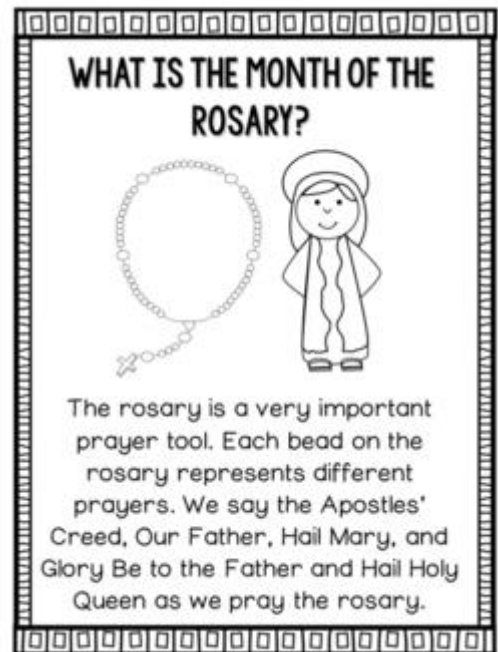
This is to safeguard your children.

Mrs Starkie Day



Our second Mrs Starkie day will take place on Thursday 10th October, Mrs Starkie's birthday, when we will celebrate and remember the joy that she brought to many first days of school life. She was our beloved Nursery teacher and is known fondly throughout our community. This is also World Mental Health Day too. Mrs Starkie's favourite colour was yellow, so in her memory the children may come to school wearing non uniform with a yellow theme. There will be moments of reflection for the children to remember her and a day filled with gardening and arts and crafts, Mrs Starkies favourite tasks.

October is the month of the Rosary



This month we have been reflecting on the mysteries of the Rosary. This is a prayer that Catholics use to reflect on key parts of the life of Jesus and make sense of how they can help us act in our own lives. The Pupil Chaplains have been reciting the Hail Mary with classes as part of our celebrations and each KS2 class will be leading a prayer service each Wednesday, please do feel free to join us. The Rosary bags will also be sent home, please ensure that you send them back the next day.



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Drop in



Our first drop in session will take place on Monday after school. Please pop in to your children’s class and take a look at their fantastic start to the year.

Harvest



Donations for our Harvest Festival should be brought in next Friday. The children can wear their own clothes. Please see the Harvest letter sent earlier this week. There will also be a charity raffle on Friday for our chosen charity of the term, loaves and fishes.

Shoe box appeal



The Beavers and Cubs are collecting items to create shoeboxes to send to Eastern Europe. They are asking for donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo (max 400 ml), bars of soap, nail scissors or clippers, reading glasses, travel size draughts or dominoes, playing cards, new soft toy/teddy, tape measure, DIY tool, solar powered calculator, wind-up radio or torch, mug, cooking utensils, cutlery, sweets and chocolates, lavender bag, stress ball, small hot water bottle, new socks for adults, ladies

tights, candle holders, small writing pads, A5 colouring pads, hotel toiletries.

Items can be loose or placed in a shoebox but please don't wrap it.

A donation box will be available in the school entrance hall until Friday 1st November.

Attendance

Attendance really does matter and impact the life outcomes of your child. We will be celebrating attendance in many ways this year. I hope that sharing this data will reflect the importance of daily attendance. Our attendance target is 96%.

Class	Weekly attendance
Nursery	86%
Reception	95%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	99%
Year 4	90%
Year 5	99%
Year 6	95%



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Asda cash pot



Our current cashpot total is £214.53

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot.

If you shop in Asda, please download the Asda Rewards app and select St Charles RC Primary School, M27 9PD to boost our school cashpot.

Charlies - before school club



Charlies has officially opened. Sessions run from 7.45am until 8.50am. Breakfast is served until 8.30am. We have secured some funding to support us as we grow, buying extra storage and resources. If you would like to sign up for a place, please complete the application form [here](#) and send it to the office. Each session costs £5, this can be reduced to £4 by paying through the Government Tax free childcare system.

Invoices will be sent out for this half term by the end of next week, thank you for your understanding whilst we find out feet.

Our school SUPERSTARS

We had lots to celebrate in assembly this morning, well done to everyone for their hard work.



Saints of the week

There were so many stories in assembly about how these children have been keeping their classrooms tidy and making sure that there is no litter outside. Well done everyone for showing so much respect.



Sporting Stars





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Letters

Please ensure that you take time to read the letter about Parent behaviour and share with others who collect your children. Copies of letters sent from school can be found [here](#) on the school website.

End of the school day

Nursery 3:15pm

Reception 3:20pm

Year 1 3:25pm

Year 2 – Year 6 3:30pm

Dates for your diary

OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY AND BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Week 6

Mon 7th

Parent Drop in – after school in classrooms

Thurs 10th (Children's Mental Health Day)

Mrs Starkie Day – All wear yellow

Fri 11th

Non uniform for Harvest donation

Week 7

Weds 16th

Mini Vinnie Harvest Assembly (9.05am in hall - All welcome)

Thurs 17th

Author visit – Matt Goodfellow

**HALF TERM
18th OCT – 28th OCT**



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