## ST. LEO'S AND SOUTHMEAD CATHOLIC NURSERY & PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Learning and Growing as One Family through God's Love'



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# Newsletter

## Tuesday 1st October 2024

Although we are only a month into the school year, so much has happened and our children are thriving! We have fundraised, celebrated and learnt lots of new things! The support shown by our families in all of our additional activities phenomenal, THANK YOU!!!

# MacMillan Coffee Morning

Our coffee morning on Friday was a huge success, we raised over £600 for the charity in just one day...amazing! Thank you so much for your support with this; we had so many cake donations and it was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents, family member and friends join us in the school hall. We have already decided that this will become an annual event as there was a real buzz about the school throughout the day.

#### £1 Lunch

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October we will be holding our £1 lunch day. Can we please ask that as many children as possible get a school meal on this day as it benefits the school if more children take part. All infants receive a free lunch, Nursery children are invited to stay for lunch but do need to pay. Juniors only pay if they do not receive free school meals. Lunch will be CHICKEN NUGGETS and CHIPS with FRENCH FRIES and a CHOCOLATE MUFFIN for pudding.

#### Harvest Festival

We will be celebrating our annual Harvest Festival in school on Friday. We are asking all children to bring in an item of food (not fresh that has a short shelf life) to school on Friday to add to our food bank collection for the Salvation Army in Prescot. Our Lauding Lions will deliver the food with a member of staff on Monday. Children can wear their own clothes on Friday to celebrate this lovely day of giving.

#### Colomendy

Our Year 5 children returned on Sunday from their weekend away at Colomendy. They were extremely lucky to have dry weather and all of the children have said how wonderful their weekend was. A huge thanks to those staff members who travelled with the children and ensured that they were safe, happy and most of all having an amazing time!

#### Year 1 Phonics

Mrs McGuinness will be holding a meeting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm for our Year 1 parents to discuss the teaching of Phonics and how parents can support their child at home. Please do come if you can.

Nurture, Inspire, Succeed

#### Pupil Progress Meetings

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October we will be holding our first pupil progress meetings of the year. This is an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and discuss how they have settled in as well as their targets for the rest of the term. Letters to book a time slot will be sent home next week.

#### Spooky Film Night

We will be holding a 'spooky film night' on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October, this is in place of our Monster Mash this year due to us not being in school the week of Halloween. Letters with further details will be sent home next week.

# Road Closures

There are currently lots of road closures in place which are impacting on our families getting to school on time. We understand that this is completely out of your control and will not issue a late mark if your child is a little late because of the traffic levels. Our main concern is that you arrive safe and sound!

#### Visits to Church

So far our children in years 6, 5 and 4 have visited church for mass of a Thursday morning. Year 3 will attend this week. Our time in church has been lovely, it is so nice for our children to have such a lovely church on their doorstep and Father Michael and the parishioners love to see the children each week.

#### Weekly Scripture

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

# Psalm 34:18

Sadly, there are member of our school family who have faced the loss of loved ones over the past couple of weeks or who are supporting loved ones through serious illness. I would like to ask all of our community to pray for those who are facing such difficult times.