



**WEEKEND MASSES - Come to the table, everyone is welcome!**

**Saturday:** Vigil Mass -6.30 p.m. at St. Malachy's

**Sunday:** 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (signed for the deaf) at St. Patrick's

**Sunday:** 11:00 a.m. at St. Malachy's

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 07764791889 or at [paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk](mailto:paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk)

**Our Statement to live by next week is:  
'I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF PEACE.'**



In this Sunday's Gospel, the people who were most familiar with Jesus welcomed him at first. They readily acknowledged his wisdom and his miracles. But they were not prepared to put their faith in him, to go further and see that God was at work in him and so, in the end, they rejected Jesus.

Although it's good to admire Jesus, it's putting our faith in him which helps us to realise that he is the Son of God - the incredible presence of God on earth among us.

If we recognise this and welcome Jesus into our lives, then he has a chance to work among us, to strengthen us and to guide us to do good in the world.

*"God's will is that we grow in our capacity to welcome one another." (Pope Francis)*

**ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY MATTERS:** The attendance for last week can be seen in the table below and the class which surpassed our whole school attendance target (97%+) are highlighted in green. Therefore, Year 5 were rewarded with an extra 5 minutes play time this week... so well done to them! Unfortunately, we didn't have a class that scored high enough for an ice cream party for the month of June but let's hope we have a winner in July! Thank you parents and carers for supporting the school to encourage each and every child to become an attendance HERO (Here, Every day, Ready and On time). Please remember, it is parents responsibility to inform school when your child is absent.



Nursery: 95.1%	Reception: 96.1%	Year 1: 94.6%	Year 2: 95.7%
Year 3: 92.7%	Year 4: 94.4%	Year 5: 99%	Year 6: 94.5%
WHOLE SCHOOL: 95.2%			

**PRAYER & WORSHIP:** On **Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July** we will be celebrating our final Mass of the school year. This will be led by our Year 6 leavers and again, all parents/carers are welcome to join us in the school hall for a 9:15 a.m. start.

**CURRICULUM NEWS:** It's been another busy week as the teachers have been extremely busy trying to fit all of the curriculum subjects into the timetable whilst also organising fun trips! Year 4 have been given a masterclass in clay sculpture by our very talented Miss McCormick and they have sculptured their very own Greek God or Goddess paying particular attention to adding facial expressions to their sculpture. The Reception class have been looking at spatial awareness during their Maths lessons and have used aerial photographs and maps to navigate their way around the school grounds! Why not visit our Facebook page to see if you can see what your child's class has been learning this week!



**YEAR 6 CAMPING TRIP TO NORTH WALES:** Our Year 6 children returned home safe and sound from North Wales today. They had an absolutely fantastic time with their classmates and teachers enjoying the awe and wonder of God's beautiful countryside. We were blessed with some gorgeous weather and the odd shower or two! So many holidaymakers commented upon how well behaved and polite the children were. The memories that they made will stay with them for many years to come and perhaps some of them may return to the Llyn Peninsula themselves one day with their own families! Check out our Facebook page and see all of the fun and laughter for yourself!

**END OF YEAR SCHOOL TRIPS:** Our Year 2 and Year 3 pupils and their teachers were the next class to enjoy their end of year trip this week. On Monday, the Year 3 laughed, splashed and giggled as they enjoyed water sports on the River Mersey. On Wednesday, Year 2 travelled to Bewilderwood to enjoy fun and outdoor adventure in treehouses, on wobbly wires and slippery slopes. Next week it will be the turn of Year 4 going to Graystones on Tuesday and Year 5 going to Venture Out on Wednesday. Thank you to all parents/carers for supporting the staff in school with our 'Trip'le A challenge. Do look out on our Facebook page for lots of children having some well deserved fun and laughter!



**ITALIAN WALKS:** The annual Italian Walks will take place this **Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July** and St. Patrick's Parish will be joining the procession. Traditionally, children who have recently made their First Holy Communion, get dressed into their communion outfits and join the procession with their parents. For any family that is interested, the procession will be departing from St. Michael's, Ancoats at 1:15 p.m.

**ATTENTION YEAR 5 PARENTS:** Parents of children in our current Y5 class, the window for Y7 applications is now open.

Parents can make their online application through the portal on the Council's website: <https://parentportal.manchester.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/home>



**READING TOP TIP:** Our top tip this week is: **SWAP A BOOK**. Encourage your children and their friends to swap books with each other - it'll give them a chance to read new stories, and get them all talking about what they're reading. Obviously, make sure that children have finished with their book first and ensure that the adults agree that it's okay to do a swap!!



**KNIFE CRIME WORKSHOP:** A reminder that the re-arranged date for the knife crime workshop is **Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July at 11:00 a.m.** Our staff feel that the workshop will be of great benefit to our Year 5 but especially our Year 6 pupils as they transition to their respective high schools. We look forward to seeing as many parents and carers there as possible.

**READING BOOKS:** In order for the teaching staff to allocate your child to the correct reading book band in September, reading books will be collected in from Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

**DIARY DATES:** As you know, this has already been an extremely busy term. At the end of this newsletter there is an updated list of significant dates so that parents/carers are aware of all that is going on and can plan and prepare.



**EDMUNDSBURY:** Move over Glastonbury, it's time for our very own annual 'Edmundsbury' music festival!! During the afternoon of **Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> July**, each class will perform to the rest of the school in the school playground (weather permitting!) The dress code for the day is festival vibes! We hope that everyone will get into the festival mood and have a really good time!! Of course, parents and carers are welcome to come along and join in with the festival spirit! The first act will be on stage at 1:30 p.m.!

**MANCHESTER'S BABY WEEK 8 - 13 July 2024:** This six-day programme is filled with FREE, fun activities and events that are designed to support your child's development from conception to 2 years old. There's something for everyone, like workshops, play sessions, free swimming, and much more. The events are carefully designed to help your child learn, all whilst having a blast! Baby Week is city-wide, with events taking place in Manchester's cultural venues, leisure centres, your local Sure Start Children's Centres and Family Hubs, finishing with Family Fun Days in parks on Saturday. See what's on near you and get involved: [www.manchester.gov.uk/Baby-Week](http://www.manchester.gov.uk/Baby-Week)



**HERE TO HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING:** For support, contact your local Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB). You don't have to be a UK citizen to get support from your local CAB, you just need to be a resident of the local area. The CAB can help you with:

- Getting benefits or organising other financial support
- Accessing support for essential costs (food, bills, rent)

Visit the [Citizens Advice](http://Citizens Advice) website or contact your local branch to book an appointment.

**ONLINE-SAFETY TOP TIP:** Our top tip this week is: **BE AWARE OF AGE RESTRICTIONS.** Many popular sites (YouTube, Instagram, etc.) have age restrictions, and these are in place for a reason: to keep young people safe. Online services are not allowed to collect or store children's personal information if they are under the age of 13. Data protection laws also say that only children aged 13 and over can sign up to online services without parental permission. Following the age restrictions sets a good example for your child.



**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 **St. Edmund's Manchester** and we should pop up!

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Please remember the following people in your prayers this week: Anthony Donovan (RIP), Margaret Banks, Margaret Williams, Angeline Holt, Alice Ritchie, Leanne Clegg, Jo Phillips, our Y3 children, all involved with caring for the sick of our community, those families seeking asylum from war torn countries, Father Paul & Father Moses, the Presentation Sisters, our children and staff, all those working with environment agencies, the homeless & rough sleepers, CAFOD, Caritas, the Lalley Centre and all other private intentions at this time.



**2024 THE YEAR OF PRAYER:** Pope Francis has declared 2024 as a special Year of Prayer. Why not say this prayer at bedtime with your child this week: **Dear Lord Jesus, please help us to welcome all visitors to our home, to our school and to our community, as special people who are loved by you. Amen.**

**DIARY DATES:**

DATE	YEAR GROUP/S	ACTIVITY
Sunday, 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Parish event	Madonna Del Rosario Procession 1.15 pm from St. Michael's Church, Ancoats
Monday, 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5	Rounders Festival at St. Matthew's for 10 year 5 pupils 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. <b>Parents to pick up from St. Matthew's at 4:30 p.m.</b>
Tuesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4	Trip to Graystones - £15 <b>Be at school for 8:00 a.m for registration</b> <b>Return to school at 4:00 p.m.</b>
Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5	Trip to Venture Out - £15 <b>Be at school for 8:00 a.m for registration</b> <b>Return to school at 4:00 p.m.</b>
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> July	All classes	End of Year reports emailed to parents
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> July	All classes	'Moving on up' - transition day
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> July (rearranged date)	Years 5 & 6	Workshop for parents & children on the dangers of knife crime - 11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Years 1 - 6	Final Mass for Y6 leavers - 9.15 a.m. <b>Y6 pupils, please wear full school uniform for Mass and bring festival clothes in a separate bag to change into</b>
Tuesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> July	All classes	'Edmundsbury' music festival - 1.30 p.m. Dress ready to 'fest'
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Final assembly - 9.15 a.m. <b>Children to wear full school uniform</b> School closes for the summer break - 1.00 p.m.

*Stay with us, Lord... on our journey.*