



St Patrick's Catholic Primary Academy Newsletter: Friday 6th September

Catholic Life and Mission - Ordinary Time

This week's Word of the Week this week : Welcome

Welcoming back our school community!

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable Summer holiday. I am delighted to welcome back our pupils and their families. We warmly extend this welcome to all our new families and starters. We are so excited for all the blessings that this school year may bring.

During the Summer, the reception area was completed and all enquiries should now be via the Ling Forest entrance. The Farm Foods entrance will only be used at the start and end of the school day.

We warmly welcome Miss Robinson (F2) Miss Matthews (Y3) and Miss Brunskill (Y5) who have joined our school as class teachers as well as Miss Tomlinson and Mrs Freeman and Mrs Price who have joined our school as support staff.

I hope all our new starters will soon discover the quality of welcome from our very supportive and generous school community

I am delighted with the start to the new school year; there is a happy, calm atmosphere and children have made a wonderful start.

Baby News!

We send our warmest congratulations to Mrs Flaherty on the birth of her beautiful daughter. We send our community best wishes to their family.

Education Sunday

You are all very welcome to join us this Sunday at 11am Mass to celebrate Education Sunday.

This Week's word of the week is: Encounter

To encounter Christ is to have a personal experience of God's love and presence. It can happen in any place or time, and it can take many different forms. We often encounter Christ when we feel loved and cared for and we too can help others to encounter when we share his love with others. An encounter with Christ can be a life-changing experience that can give us strength, hope, and peace.

School Calendar

Advent 1	
09.09.24 WOW: Encounter – Bishop's priority	
16.09.24 WOW: Identify	
23.09.24 WOW: Understanding	
Tuesday 24 th Sept	Whole school mass – 9am
30.09.24 WOW: Solidarity	
Thursday 3 rd Oct	National Poetry Day
Friday 4 th Oct	Book bus at school (more details to follow)
07.10.24 WOW: Rosary	
Tuesday 8 th Oct	Y5 visit to forest town library
Friday 11 th Oct	Come and See assembly F2, Y1, Y2 and Y3 – 2.30pm (Main hall- parents welcome)
14.10.24 WOW: Poverty	
Wednesday 16 th Oct	Y6 visit to Forest Town Library
Wednesday 16 th Oct	Parents evening (all classes)
Half term Week 21.10.24 Week 28.10.24	
Advent 2	
04.11.24 WOW: Accompaniment	
Monday 4 th November	Children return to school
11.11.24 WOW: Remembrance	
Monday 11 th November	Remembrance Day
18.11.24 WOW: Youth	
Friday 22 nd November	National youth fun day
Friday 22 nd November	Come and See Assembly Y4, Y5 and Y6 – 2.30pm (Main hall- parents welcome)
25.11.24 WOW: kingdom	
02.12.24 WOW: Hope	
Monday 2 nd Dec	Advent Celebration of the Word – Y5 and Y6 – 9am (Main hall- parents welcome)
09.12.24 WOW: Peace	
Monday 9 th Dec	Advent Celebration of the word – Y3 and Y4 – 9am (Main hall – parents welcome)

Monday 9 th Dec	Reception and KS1 Nativity – 2.15pm (Main hall – parents welcome)
Tuesday 10 th Dec	Reception and KS1 Nativity – 9am (Main hall – parents welcome)
Thursday 12 th Dec	Nursery Nativity – 9am (Nursery classroom- parents welcome)
Friday 13 th Dec	Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day
16.12.24 WOW: Joy	
Monday 16 th Dec	Advent Celebration of the word – Y1 and Y2 – 9am (Main hall- parents welcome)
Friday 20 th Dec	Christmas Carol Concert – KS2 – 9am (Main hall- parents welcome)
Christmas Holidays 23.12.24 30.12.24 Return to school Monday 6 th January	

LOL Music Provision

Individual and small group music provision is provided by LOL Music services

They offer weekly single, shared and group instrumental and singing lessons throughout the academic year, rotating and set around student timetables so the same lessons aren't missed each week.

If you are interested in your child having an individual or a small group music lesson please visit www.ololmusic.co.uk

PTA

Our PTA works incredibly hard to raise valuable funds for school resources. Last year, thanks to your generosity, our school benefitted in so many ways as our community came together. We would really like to continue with our community events. You are warmly invited to attend the first meeting of the academic year which takes place on Wednesday 25th September at 2.15pm in school. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but have suggestions, please feel most welcome to contact school.

Attendance and Punctuality

Over the summer, there have been a number of changes made by the DFE regarding attendance. Our trust has incorporated these changes which commenced on 19th August 2024. Please see the attached letter explaining some of the key changes with particular regards to taking absence of leave during term time.

As a school, we are committed to ensuring everyone attends school as much as they are able to and therefore ask for your support in light of these changes.

To report your child's absence please can we ask that you email the school office on office@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk or ring school on 01623 478090.

Please see the NHS Guidance for the latest advice regarding sending your child to school with the following medical conditions: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

In line with the Trust's Attendance policy, school is unable to authorise absences of leave during term time, unless the reason falls the exceptional criteria. Fines may also be issued as part of the Trust's attendance policy for absences of leave during term time which are unauthorised.

The Lime Trees Breakfast and after school club

The Lime Trees breakfast and after school club is now fully up and running.

The Lime Trees story is rooted in helping and supporting each individual family.

Our aim is to deliver a service that we, as parents, would be proud to use. Putting parents and families first, we realise that flexibility of childcare is essential for meeting the needs of modern family life. We allow parents to manage the care of their children around their schedule and not the other way around.

We provide a flexible service where you can book the sessions that work best for you our online booking system located on our website www.thelimetrees.co.uk

You will need to register your child/children before you are able to make a booking. For more information on how to register, book your place, make a payment and general FAQ's please visit our website www.thelimetrees.co.uk

We are delighted to be able to confirm that the Breakfast club will now be available from 7.30am and the after school club available till 6pm.

Breakfast club runs from 7.30am to 8.30am at a cost of £5.25.

After school club runs from 3.20pm to 6pm at a cost of £9.80.

*Parents will also be able to use childcare vouchers and the governments Tax Free Childcare scheme.

How to find us. The clubs will be located in the dining hall within the school. Keep in touch & stay up to date. If you have any immediate questions, please refer to our website or alternatively you can contact us on 0115 9313 562 or email enquiries@thelimetrees.co.uk.

For up-to-date news and promotions follow us on Facebook and Instagram, just search for The Lime Trees.

Extra Curricula activities

Spaces are still available to book via Arbor for the following sessions:

Mondays: Mansfield Town football - 3.20pm - 4.20pm

Wednesdays: Multisports - 3.20pm - 4.20pm

Home school agreement

If you haven't already done so, please can you make yourself familiar with our home school agreement and sign the consent to follow this via Arbor.

Meet the teacher and contact with teachers

Many thanks to all who attended the sessions. As always, please feel very welcome to contact your child's class teacher to discuss any aspect of their education.

If you need to contact your child's class teacher please only use the class emails which are below and be aware that there is a 48hr working days turnaround for these. Most class teachers are available for messages at the school day if needed. If you need to get a message to your child's class teacher sooner, please contact the office on 01623 478090.

F1@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

F2@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Year1@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Year2@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Year3@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Year4@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Year5@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Year6@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

For all other enquires please email office@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Family hub information

In September 2024 the very 1st family hub for Mansfield was opened, to provide a range of services to families with children aged birth to 19 years. This will be open in the Ravensdale, Forest Town, Oak Tree and Bellamy areas at first with plans to expand across the whole of Mansfield within the next 12 months.

We would like to hear from you! Family hubs are tailored to meet the needs of the local community providing a one stop shop where you can get all the information in one place, so we need to hear from local parents – what is it that is needed locally? How can we develop the surrounding parks?

Join Karen on Thursday 26th September in the school hall at 8.45am to find out more about this and the range of services available to you and your family and have your say in how your local family hub develops in the next few months.

Thank you everyone for all your support which has contributed to the very smooth start to the school year. We are incredibly blessed with all the support we receive from yourselves and are always very grateful and appreciative.

In partnership and prayer

Mrs J L Smedley