



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all of the parents who donated cakes and also to those who came along for a coffee and a cake this morning. A special thank you to the parents and grandparents who came along to help out by setting up the tables and serving. We couldn't run these events without you!

The total so far from both events is an incredible £468.97. We will have an updated total for next week after the final cake sale on the playground. A huge thank you to everyone who bakes and donated cakes.

Fundraising events

As an alternative to a Christmas Fair, we have decided to hold three separate fundraising events this term. The first is an Autumn Bingo, to be held in October followed by a Christmas movie night and Breakfast with Santa (Nursery to Year 3). More details about these events will be shared nearer the time.

Thank you!

We are currently overwhelmed with the support from parents and family members. From volunteering at the Bake Sale; to making donations of toys, equipment and books; to school to helpers who come into school to support in class by listening to readers and volunteering their time and expertise. It is this generosity and kindness that makes our school such a wonderful community to be a part of. On behalf of myself and the rest of the staff, we would like to say Thank You!

Autumn Bingo

Tickets will be going on sale for this popular event next week – please look out for the letter in your child's book bag.

Robinwood 2024

Letters will be going out today for the annual Year 5 and 6 residential trip to Robinwood in Todmorden. Reply slips are needed by Wednesday 4th October so that St Bede's can manage the places for their Year 7 pupils and a more accurate price can be calculated.

Admissions - Applications for Primary and High School places

For families who will require a primary or secondary school place in September 2024 the means of application is via Lancashire's on-line system at:-

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

You must apply even if you already have siblings at your preferred school. If you live in Lancashire, you can include out of area preferences on your on-line application. Alternatively call 01772 532191

The closing dates for applications for September 2024 are at 11.59 pm on:-

Secondary school applications – 31st October 2023

Primary school applications – 15th January 2024

For those applying to Catholic schools you must also complete a supplementary form and return to school with proof of Nationality (e.g. birth certificate or passport) and proof of Baptism of any denomination.

****THE SUPPLEMENTARY FAITH FORM MUST BE HANDED IN ALONG WITH BAPTISM CERTIFICATE TO THE OFFICE AT ST BEDE'S OTHERWISE YOUR CHILD MAY NOT GET A PLACE. EVERY YEAR CHILDREN FROM FEEDER PRIMARY SCHOOLS MISS OUT ON THEIR PLACE AS THIS FORM HAS NOT BEEN HANDED IN****

Free School meals

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit with a household income of less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income-Based Jobseekers' Allowance
- Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, **not** entitled to Working Tax Credit and household income less than £16,190
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Income Support
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' – the payment you receive for a further four weeks after you finish work

Please follow the link below

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Diary Dates

Tuesday 10th October Class 4 trip to Chester Zoo

Friday 13th October Dress down day in exchange for wine and chocolate

Tuesday 17th October Autumn Bingo – tickets on sale later

Thursday 19th October Whole School mass 9am

Thursday 19th October Parents Evening 2:30 – 6pm

Friday 20th October Star of the half term assembly 2:15

School closes at on Friday 20th October for half term week and reopens on Tuesday 31st October

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Smith