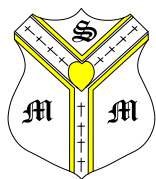


Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 10th October 2025



School Attendance Matters

Class 1	95.7%	Class 7	93.2%
Class 2	96.7%	Class 8	94%
Class 3	94.8%	Class 9	92.2%
Class 4	98%	Class 10	90.4%
Class 5	97.2%	Class 11	98.8%
Class 6	92.4%	Class 12	97.5%

School Attendance Matters This week's Attendance



**Our target for attendance this year is
96%**

Some great attendances this week—well done everyone!! Let's keep this up next week too. Our overall attendance this week was 95.2%

Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 11.

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 5.

Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Class 4.

The children in these classes will enjoy a treat of their choice after discussions with their class

FEAST OF ST MARGARET MARY'S WELCOME MASS

We would like to invite members of our parish, Reception and Year 2 parents to our upcoming Welcome Mass in our church. This is also St Margaret Mary's Feast day.

Mass will take place on Wednesday 15th October at 2.00pm.
Parents are welcome to attend.

Please note the change of date.

Children will be brought from school to church and then returned to school for dismissal at

YEAR ONE ART CLUB

Mrs Codack was inundated with requests for a place in our Year 1 Art Club.

There were too many names to put into a hat so each class will have their turn for 3 weeks at a time.

Some children from Class 8 will start on Tuesday 30th September and Mrs Codack will be in touch with the other classes to give them their start dates.

We really love being artists in our school!

SAFE DRIVING AROUND AND OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Can we please remind all of our parents and visitors to the school about being safe drivers around the school grounds on roads leading to school, our church car park and leading up and down Pilch Lane.

We don't want any accidents.

If this message could be shared with anyone who comes to collect your child.

PARENT GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS

We are looking for a new parent governor to join our governing body. Letters have been sent home about nominations and how to apply. If you are interested please see our school website for a copy of the letter and nomination form or pop into the school office.

COLLECTION FROM BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Can we please remind parents whose children are in Breakfast and After School Club to use our buzzer facility to identify yourself when dropping off and collecting your child. We will always ask you to do this when collecting your child.

Also if it is someone else who is collecting your child, please ensure you let the school office know.

FLU VACCINATIONS

Our school vaccinations day will be 22nd October.

A team of nurses will come into school to administer the vaccinations which come in the form of a flu nasal spray up the nostril.

Information about this has already been sent to parents. If you have missed this please call into the office for further information.

If you wish/do not wish your child to have this please complete the opt out form on line or send it this back to the school office.

Parent Pay

Parents are reminded that we are a cashless school and use ParentPay as our paying and booking in system for school trips, events and school dinners.

Parents will receive a letter with a link and password to register for this from us, if they are new to the school.

Nursery extended hours

We offer extended hours to our Nursery provision from 2.30pm till 3.15pm every day for those who wish to use it. This is costed at £4.50 each day. If you wish to know more about this please ask at the school office.

PTA EVENT—MONSTER MASH DISCO

Our newly established PTA have organised their first events of the year for our children and school community.

We hope you will be able to join us.

Our first event will be a MONSTER MASH DISCO on the following dates for each of the year groups shown.

Nursery/Reception - Tuesday 4th November 4.30pm till 5.30pm

Year One - Monday 10th November - 4.30pm till 5.30pm

Year Two - Tuesday 11th November - 4.30pm till 5.30pm

Tickets will cost £5.00 and can be ordered through Parent Pay from the end of next week.

Ticket price consists of - entrance, drink, crisps and sweets. Tea and Coffee will be available for adults.

Games will take place during the event e.g. pass the parcel, musical statues, parade of best costumes around the room for everyone to see.

Prizes will be given for game winners.

If any parents have any decorations that they are willing to donate for these events we would really appreciate it.

PLEASE NOTE—Children will not be allowed to bring or wear accessories due to health and safety reasons and also in case they get lost.

CHILDREN WILL NEED TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT FOR THE EVENT.

FAMILY LEARNING—Autumn Craft

Our Family Learning teacher will be holding an Autumn Craft workshop with parents and children from Year One on

Wednesday 15th October from 2.00pm till 3.00pm (Class 7 and 8)

If you are interested in a place on this please book through the school office.

Places are limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Parents will be informed by our office if they have been successful getting a place.

Breakfast and After School Club

Just a reminder that we offer Breakfast and After School Club for all our children. This is run by our own staff in school.

Breakfast Club is charged at £3.25 per session.

After School Club is charged at £8.50 per session.

If you would like more information please speak to the school office, Mrs Harris or Miss Mahoney.

CERTIFICATE AWARD WINNERS THIS WEEK

The following children have been awarded certificates this week in our Awards Assembly today. Names will appear each week on our newsletter as a congratulations and well done.

LOVING CERTIFICATES	
Class 1– Lyla Carroll	Class 2 - Lailah Thomas McGrail
Class 3 - Jaiden Jinaj	Class 4 - Myah Hannah
Class 5– Chloe Hartstone	Class 6 - Sadie Storey
Class 7 - Leo McKenna	Class 8 - Teddy Farrell
Class 9 - Alba Cross	Class 10—Amelia Markolo
Class 11 - Lishviga Prabu	Class 12—River Kealy Bell
Nursery 1 - Luca Franklin	Nursery 2 – Raya Moogan Keating

LEARNING CERTIFICATES	
Class 1– Sadie Walsh Coxon	Class 2 - Penelope Taylor
Class 3 - Isla Harris	Class 4 - Lily Cartwright
Class 5– Tyler Melia	Class 6 - Finn Rhodes
Class 7 - Daa Naveed	Class 8 - Bobby Brannan
Class 9 - Roman Alzahabi	Class 10—Bonnie McGrath
Class 11 - Maryam Binu	Class 12—Maisie Allanson
Nursery 1 - Karthi Oipu	Nursery 2 – Louie Martland

GROWING CERTIFICATES	
Class 1– Olivia Badrock	Class 2 - Mia Florence Regan
Class 3 - Louie Hulme	Class 4 - Anvin Tomy
Class 5– Jaden Osagie	Class 6 - Thomas Farrell
Class 7 - Paisley Timson	Class 8 - Elena Leyland
Class 9 - Heizel Jomon	Class 10—Alfie Lee Miller
Class 11 - Penelope Perry	Class 12—Lottie Wilmitt
Nursery 1 - April Unwin	Nursery 2 – Aiden Lewis Gray

MISSION STATEMENT AWARD	
Nursery— Maisie McCaffrey	Reception– Nola Byrne
Year One - Lottie Connolly	Year Two - Connie Ward

WRITING STARS OF THE WEEK

WRITING STAR WINNERS	
Class 1– Charlie Hughes	Class 2 - Alex Broadfoot
Class 3 - Gracie Knight	Class 4 - Finley Williams
Class 5– Ashton Wilson	Class 6 - Poppy Price
Class 7 - Arielle O’Kenna	Class 8 - Logan Hillis
Class 9 - Orla Murtagh	Class 10—Aiden Jijo
Class 11 - Vinny Brighthouse	Class 12—Freya Clarke
Nursery 1 - Deryn Johnson-Evans	Nursery 2 – Edward Brady



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – THESE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tuesday 14th October	*3.15pm till 4.15pm Class 8 Art Club *3.10pm till 4.00pm School Council
Tuesday 14th October	3.15pm till 4.00pm Eco Council
Wednesday 15th October	9.00am Reception Stay and Play sessions in classes
Wednesday 15th October	*Year 2 MISP sessions throughout the day *2.00pm –3.00pm Class 7 and 8 Autumn Family Learning workshop
Wednesday 15th October	2.00pm Welcome service for Reception children and parents led by Year 2
Thursday 16th October	9.00am –11.00am POPP session 3 in the Juniors
Thursday 16th October	Litter picking with the council
Friday 17th October	Archdiocese singing
Tuesday 21st October	9.15am Class 5 and 6 Prayer and Liturgy (Parents and grandparents welcome to attend in the School Canteen) TIME CHANGE
Tuesday 21st October	*3.15pm till 4.15pm Class 8 Art Club
Wednesday 22nd October	*Flu immunisations throughout the day *Reception intake 2026 Open night 4.00pm
Wednesday 22nd October	*Year 2 MISP sessions throughout the day *Class 1 at church for Mass
Wednesday 22nd October	Open Evening for new Reception Intake visitors 4.00pm
Thursday 23rd October	9.00am –11.00am POPP session 4 in the Juniors
Friday 24th October	*Own clothes day *Food bank collection day *School closes for half term
Monday 3rd November	*Return to school
Tuesday 4th November	3.10pm till 4.00pm School Council
Wednesday 5th November	*Class 2 at church *3.30pm Parents Evening night 1
Thursday 6th November	3.30pm Parents Evening night 2

ST MARGARET MARY'S CHURCH

SUNDAY MASS TIMES- Saturday evening at 5.30p.m. and Sundays (including Children's Church) at 10.00a.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Saturday at 5pm.

Please follow this link for the parish newsletter

St Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School

Terms and Holidays

Academic Year 2025-26

Autumn Term 2025 Tuesday 2nd September 2025 – Friday 19th December 2025

Autumn Half Term Break up Friday 24th October 2025

Return Monday 3rd November 2025

Christmas Holiday Break up Friday 19th December 2025

Return Monday 5th January 2026

Spring Term 2026 Monday 5th January 2026 to Thursday 2nd April 2026

Spring Half Term Break up Friday 13th February 2026

Return Tuesday 24th February 2026

Spring Holiday Break up Thursday 2nd April 2026

Return Tuesday 14th April 2026

Summer Term 2026 Tuesday 14th April 2026 to Tuesday 21st July 2026

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 2026

Summer Half Term Break up Friday 22nd May 2026

Return Monday 8th June 2026

Summer Holidays Break up Tuesday 21st July 2026

Inset Days

Monday 1st September 2025 / Friday 28th November 2025 / Monday 23rd February
2026 / Monday 13th April 2026 / Friday 5th June 2026

Power Of Parenting

pop in to our Power of Parenting group

Fancy a
cuppa?



**Have a cuppa and a chat with other parents
in an informal and relaxed atmosphere**

Group run by Learning Mentors Jackie Harris & Carmel Perry

Session 1	Thursday	2nd October 2025	9 — 11am
Session 2	Thursday	9th October 2025	9 — 11am
Session 3	Thursday	16th October 2025	9 — 11am
Session 4	Thursday	23rd October 2025	9—10am

Venue: St Margaret Marys JUNIOR School

Being a parent is one of the toughest jobs in the world.
Parents are teachers, carers, guides, leaders, protectors, providers
and motivators for their children.

The POPP programme aims to build on parenting skills, increase
confidence and further develop strategies to guide, nurture and
encourage positive behaviours in children.

**On Thursday 23rd October (4th session) your child will accompany
you in taking part in some fun practical activities that will help to
support them to reduce stress, anxiety and feel a sense of calm.**

If you are interested in attending the **Power Of Parenting Programme**
please complete below or contact Mrs Harris or your child's class
teacher no later than - **Monday 29th September 2025.**

***Places are limited and will be offered on a
'first come first served' basis***

Power Of Parenting Programme

Parent's name _____
Contact number _____
Childs name _____ Class _____

SEND Parent Support Drop In



Knowsley Health Visitors/School Health Team, along with Home-Start Knowsley run an on-going SEND Drop-in service, as listed below. This is for any parents/carers of Knowsley children/young people (aged 0-25 years) who have potential or confirmed additional needs. Just pop in for a coffee and a chat and we can advise and link you in with the local support/make appropriate referrals that your child might benefit from at this time. No appointment necessary.

George Howard Centre, Lickers Lane, Whiston, L35 3SR

Every 1st Thursday of the month 9.30am-12noon

Thursday 4th September

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Thursday 6th November

Thursday 4th December

Northwood Family Hub at The Pride,

2 Simonswood Lane, Northwood, L33 5YP

Every 2nd Thursday of the month 9.30am-12noon

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Hilltop Children's Centre, Bedford Close, Huyton, L36 1XH

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 9.30am-12noon

Wednesday 17th September

Wednesday 15th October

Wednesday 19th November

Wednesday 17th December

New Hutte Children & Family Hub, Litchfield Road,

Halewood, L26 1TT

Every 4th Wednesday of the month 9.30am-12noon

Wednesday 24th September

Wednesday 22nd October

Wednesday 26th November

For any further information please call Knowsley School Health and Health Visiting

Team: 0151 514 2666 or Knowsley Homestart: 0151 480 3910



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Health and Wellbeing Service in Knowsley
Parents, carers and families can
contact us on our new number... **0151 514 2666**

ROBY COMMUNITY UPDATE

COUNCILLORS CONTACT DETAILS

Your local councillors are elected to represent you and make sure your voice is heard at Knowsley Council. They can help with a wide range of local issues, including:

- Reporting problems with roads, pavements, lighting or litter
- Housing and neighbourhood concerns
- Anti-social behaviour and community safety
- Access to local services and support
- Issues affecting schools, families, and young people
- Championing local causes and improvements in your area

If you're not sure who to speak to about a local issue, your councillors are a great place to start. They'll do their best to help, or point you in the right direction.

Want to get in touch?

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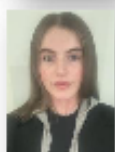
Contact us:



Cllr Kevin Bannon

Tel – 07384 455428

Email – kevin.bannon@knowsley.gov.uk



Cllr Megan Dever

Tel – 07386 664678

Email – megan.dever@knowsley.gov.uk

Thank you for being part of what makes Roby such a great place to live. We're always here if you need us and we're looking forward to continuing to work together to make our community even stronger.

Yours sincerely,

Kevin & Megan

Cllrs Kevin Bannon & Megan Dever



WORKING HARD FOR ROBY ALL YEAR ROUND

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SWANSIDE COMMUNITY UPDATE

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Thank you for being part of what makes Swanside such a great place to live. We're always here if you need us and we're looking forward to continuing to work together to make our community even stronger.

Contact us:



Cllr Christine Bannon

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Email – christine.bannon@knowsley.gov.uk



Cllr Colin Dever

Tel – 07557 849 398

Email – colin.dever@knowsley.gov.uk



Cllr Graham Morgan

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Yours sincerely,

Swanside Labour Team

Your Swanside Labour Team



WORKING HARD FOR SWANSIDE ALL YEAR ROUND

Knowsley Council is committed to working with the community to make our area a safer, greener and more vibrant place to live.

Make sure your child is protected from flu

Flu vaccines are now available for children aged **two and three years old** and **all school children**.



✓ Quick and painless nasal flu spray

Remember to complete the consent form to make sure your child does not miss out on their vaccination at school.



It is easy to give consent: scan the QR code or click here
<https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/>

If you would like to know more about the nasal spray vaccination, you can call and speak to the Immunisation team on 0151-351 8805. They will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Protect children from flu

The nasal spray flu vaccine is painless and available to all children from nursery up to year 11.
(a porcine gelatine free flu vaccine injection is also available)

Families will receive a link from their child's school requesting an e-consent form is completed.

If you need any support, contact your local immunisation team:
Halton, Knowsley, and St Helens: **0151 351 8805**
Liverpool: **0151 295 3833**
Sefton: **0151 247 6130**

Make sure your email and mobile numbers are up to date with school.

The NHS Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust logo, consisting of the NHS logo and the text 'Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust'.

A photograph of two children, a young man and a young woman, smiling. They are wearing blue NHS cross logos on their clothing.