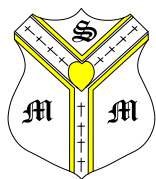


# Saint Margaret Mary's Catholic Infant School Newsletter



Friday 3rd October 2025



## School Attendance Matters

Class 1	97.3%	Class 7	93.6%
Class 2	92.7%	Class 8	95.6%
Class 3	96.2%	Class 9	89.1%
Class 4	97.3%	Class 10	87.9%
Class 5	99.2%	Class 11	99.2%
Class 6	98%	Class 12	95.8%

### 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 95.3%%

Attendance Award in Reception goes to Class 11.

Attendance Award in Year 1 goes to Class 5.

Attendance Award in Year 2 goes to Classes 1 and 4.

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

## NEW INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT

This year we have set up a new way to communicate with you through using social media. We have launched our new Instagram account which we will be used as a window into daily life in our wonderful school.

Please follow us on [www.instagram.com/smmi.infants](https://www.instagram.com/smmi.infants)



## 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!

### **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNINGS AND CUPCAKE SALE**

We were overwhelmed with your support for our MacMillan Coffee Mornings and Cake sale for the children.

The amount of cakes that came into school was phenomenal.

The children really enjoyed having the cakes sold to them on Friday.

I am pleased to say that we managed to raise a whopping £1,100 which has been sent to MacMillan.

Thank you so much for your contributions, cake baking and everything else. It is really appreciated.



### **SCHOOL PATROL CROSSING**

We have been informed that there will be no school crossing patrol cover from Monday 29.09.25 until 6.10.25 on Pilch Lane / outside the juniors. Please use the controlled crossing outside the Infant school

### **PARENT GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS**

We are looking for a new parent governor to join our governing body. Letters were sent home this week 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.

Nominations must be received by Friday 17th October

### **ANNUAL SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

Our school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 7th October taking photographs of our children for parents to purchase. Siblings will be taken together.

We ask that Nursery children are brought into school in the AM if they have a sibling in school. If you are unsure 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 4<sup>th</sup> November 4.30pm till 5.30pm**

**Year One - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November - 4.30pm till 5.30pm**

**Year Two - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> 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.**

### **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.

### **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.

### **FAMILY LEARNING—Autumn Craft**

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

Wednesday 8th October from 2.00pm till 3.00pm (Class 5 and 6)  
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.

### **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.

### **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 the end of the day. No child will be allowed to leave from church.

## **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.

<b>LOVING CERTIFICATES</b>	
Class 1– Sophia Hughes	Class 2– Hannah-Rose Moncrieff
Class 3 - Alfie Jones	Class 4 - Faith McDonald
Class 5– Nancy Gallagher	Class 6—Ethan Stephenson
Class 7—Aaradyha Santhosh	Class 8 - Harry Devereaux
Class 9 - Ivy Shortell	Class 10 - Celina Jones
Class 11— Ella Evans	Class 12 - Nancy Johnston
Nursery 1—Amirah Gray	Nursery 2— Monalissa Aaron

<b>LEARNING CERTIFICATES</b>	
Class 1– Tianna Tinu	Class 2– Louie Atkinson
Class 3 - Thomas Hughes	Class 4 - Alfie Burns
Class 5– George Evans	Class 6—Noah Riley
Class 7—Archie Foote	Class 8 - Monty Robinson
Class 9 - Otis Broadhead	Class 10 - Eva Maria Macovei
Class 11—Louie Dunn	Class 12 - Maria Roper
Nursery 1—Skylar Clark	Nursery 2— Eleanor Wall

<b>GROWING CERTIFICATES</b>	
Class 1– James Carter Davies	Class 2– Thomas Pearson
Class 3 - Sonny Townson	Class 4 - Gabby Strzepa
Class 5– Gabriel Dwyer	Class 6—Aurora Cartwright
Class 7—Tion Tinu	Class 8 - Kimberley Aaron
Class 9 - Thomas White	Class 10 - Ella Rose Williams
Class 11—Maggie Bradford	Class 12 - Sarah Hague
Nursery 1—Brody McIntyre	Nursery 2— Logan Brown

<b>MISSION STATEMENT AWARD</b>	
Nursery— Raya Moogan Keating	Reception—(Last week's Winner—Jack Ridd) Ophelia McHale
Year One - Chloe Hartstone	Year Two—Ameira Alzahabi

## WRITING STARS OF THE WEEK

WRITING STAR WINNERS	
Class 1– Paxton McCaughran	Class 2– Jessica Munroe
Class 3 - Jessica Smith	Class 4 - Sonnie Morris
Class 5– Oscar Simpson	Class 6—Rory Broadhead
Class 7—Miley Murphy	Class 8 - Flynn Farrington
Class 9 - Sofia Joy Johnson McGuinness	Class 10 - Oscar Bowers
Class 11—Sofia Birkenhead	Class 12 - Oliver Cleaver
Nursery 1—Amelia Haskell	Nursery 2— Zac Lawless



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – THESE ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tuesday 7th October	9.15am Class 7 and 8 Prayer and Liturgy (Parents and grandparents welcome to attend in the School Canteen) <b>TIME CHANGE</b>
Tuesday 7th October	School photographer in school
Tuesday 7th October	3.15pm till 4.15pm Class 8 Art Club
Wednesday 8th October	Year 2 MISP sessions throughout the day
Wednesday 8th October	2.00pm-3.00pm Class 5 and 6 Autumn Family Learning workshop
Thursday 9th October	9.00am –11.00am POPP session 2 in the Juniors
Friday 10th October	Year 2 Archdiocese singing 3.15pm till 4.15pm Class 1 and 2 Dance Club
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) <b>TIME CHANGE</b>
Wednesday 22nd October	Flu immunisations throughout the day Reception intake 2026 Open night 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

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

Autumn Half Term Break up Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Return Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

Christmas Holiday Break up Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Return Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Spring Term 2026 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026 to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026**

Spring Half Term Break up Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Return Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Spring Holiday Break up Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

Return Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Summer Term 2026 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026 to Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026**

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Summer Half Term Break up Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

Return Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Summer Holidays Break up Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026

**Inset Days**

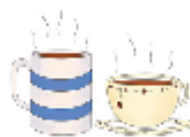
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 / Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025 / Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February  
2026 / Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 / Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026



# 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***

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## Power Of Parenting Programme

Parent's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact number \_\_\_\_\_  
Childs name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

# SEND Parent Support Drop In



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

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

Thursday 4th September

Thursday 2nd October

Thursday 6th November

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**Northwood Family Hub at The Pride,  
2 Simonswood Lane, Northwood, L33 5YP**

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

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**New Hutte Children & Family Hub, Litchfield Road,  
Halewood, L26 1TT**

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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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Administrator: Denise Hague  
Safeguarding: Rose Moffat, Terri Wilson

Presbytery: 0151 394 0507  
Parish Centre: 0151 220 6616  
Convent: 0151 228 3970  
Infants School: 0151 477 8815  
Juniors School: 0151 477 8490



LITURGICAL CALENDAR			Sanctuary Lamp burns for Fr Joe Bibby	
The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)			Our Lady's Lamp burns for Ryan O'Malley	
DAY		TIME	SERVICE	INTENTION
Saturday	27th September	17:30	Sunday Vigil Mass	Parishioners
Sunday	28th September	10:00	Mass (with children's church)	Teresa & Jimmy Walker
Tuesday	30th September	18:40	Evening Prayer, Rosary	
		19:00	Mass	Archbishop Malcolm Emeritus
Wednesday	1st October	10:00	Mass	Sarah Pitt
Thursday	2nd October		No Mass	
		13:00	Requiem Mass Audrey Coleman	
Friday	3rd October	10:00	Mass	Marie Travers
Saturday	4th October	16:30	Adoration, confession	
			Sunday Vigil Mass	Parishioners
Sunday	5th October	10:00	Mass (with children's church)	Fr Joe Bibby
PARISH CENTRE CALENDAR				
DAY	TIME	EVENT	DETAILS	
Thursday	12:00	Over 55's Lunch Club	Two courses for £5 cooked by Lynne & Peter Fiddler. To book your place phone 0151 481 0032	
Thursday	14:15 - 16:00	Knit and Natter Group		
Thursday	19:30	UCM Meeting		
Thursday	21:30	Quiz		
Sunday	11:00	Coffee Morning	Every Sunday after 10:00 Mass. Everyone is welcome.	
<b>Opening Hours:</b> Thursday – Sunday from 7pm & Sunday afternoons from 12 noon. Mondays – Wednesdays: functions – bar closes at 8pm. For functions, contact Karen, the manager, Tel 0151 220 6616 <b>Warm and cosy centre:</b> Our parish centre is open on Thursdays to all between 1:30-2:30pm, with Free tea, coffee and biscuits, access to TV and WIFI and friendly company.				

Please pray for the sick: Baby Maher, Brian Peacock, Betty Rawlinson, Gerry Jones, Maureen (Mo) Denning, Peter Beswick, Lyn Ashton, Liz North, Joseph Ball, Susan Fade, Gerry Low, Maureen Shacklady, Alex Fletcher, John Roberts, John Murphy, Rachel Pickup, Kimberly Lawler, Mary-Jo Davies, Anita Cammell, Peter Bryan, Sarah Parkes, Angela Batey, John May, Frances Woods, Sheila Rusk.

Please pray for the recently deceased: Audrey Coleman, Pauline Ashton  
Mass Association Bernard Gilliam, Kathleene Cuffe, Margaret Donnelly, Pauline Ashton, Cecilia Cunningham.

**Pentecost prayer:** Let us pray for a renewal of our Parish here at St Margaret Mary's. That the Holy Spirit will come down upon us and proactively guide us as we move forward in these changing times

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Break us, melt us, mould us, fill us. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us

# 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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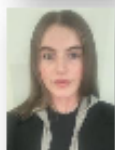
### Contact us:



**Cllr Kevin Bannon**

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**Cllr Megan Dever**

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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:



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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, stronger, and more vibrant place to live.