

# St Mary's Catholic School Newsletter

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022 Issue 7

### The Wedding in Cana

John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water', and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.



### Star of the Week

The following children were chosen to be Stars of the Week:

During the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> January:

**Rec:**

During the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> January:

**Rec:**

**Congratulations to you all!**

### Handwriter of the week

The following children were chosen to be Handwriters of the Week:

During the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> January:

**Rec: Grae, Y1: Micaiah, Y2: Beza, Y3: Bethel, Y4: Elianna D, 5A: Ian, 5B: Miley, 6A: Milica, 6B: Mya**

During the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> January:

**Rec: Rec: Matthew, Y1: Neveah and Nelly, Y2:**

**Nicholas, Y3: Zairah, Y4: Carmelo, 5A: Isidore, 5B: Nana, 6A: Le'vai**

### Star Reader of the week

The following children were chosen to be Star Readers of the Week:

During the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> January:

**Rec: Ryan, Y1: Nicole, Y2: Amy, Y3: Andi, Y4: Aamron, 5A: Isidore, 5B: Miley, 6A: Stacy, 6B: Elizabeth**

During the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> January:

**Rec: Savannah, Y1: Philomena, Y2: Yael, Y3: Kian, Y4: Charnikki-Starr, 5A: Aalen, 5B: Ava-Leigh, 6A: Ronnie**

### Birthday Wishes

Our best wishes are going to the children who had their birthdays in the last two weeks and during the week of half term: **Bonnie Y1 and Jeremiah 5B**

**Best wishes to everyone!**



### Star of the Term:

The following children were **nominated** for a Star of the Term Award:

**Nur: Mia, Rec: Azrayah, Y1: Samantha, Y2: Layla, Y3: Stefan, Y4: Delina, 5A: Danny-Ray, 5B: Tiarna, 6A: Euele, 6B: Diego.**

**The Winners of the Star of the Term for Autumn 2021 are: Azrayah rec, Layla Y2, Delina Y4 and Danny-Ray 5A**

**Congratulations to you all!**

### Faith Ambassadors

We are starting a new group of children, called Faith Ambassadors. Each year twelve children from Key Stage 2 will be chosen to support and assist in leading the Catholic Life, Collective Worship and R.E. These children will be selected because they are a great example to their friends and actively live out their faith by demonstrating the Gospel Virtues.

In December children in years 3 to 6

were asked to complete application forms to be considered for a role of Faith Ambassadors.

The following twelve children were selected:

Year 3: Nina and Bethel

Year 4: Tre and Aamron

5A: Isadore and Euel

5B: Tiarna and Jeremiah

6A: Amina and Euele

6B: Balgis and Gabriel

We also selected **Deputy Faith Ambassadors**:  
Y3: Noah, Y4: Hartley, Karim, Simona and Mat, 5A:  
Lucas and Liana, 5B: Ava-Leigh, Y6: Abel

**Congratulations to you all!**

### Internet Safety Day

This year's Internet Safety Day takes place on the **8th February**. It is an event, organised by the UK Safer Internet Centre, which aims to promote safe, responsible and positive use of internet technology.

The theme for this year is: **All fun and games?;**

Exploring respect and relationships online

This theme celebrates young people's role in creating a safer internet and the ways they are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of. The platforms young people use are spaces for connection, community, and collaboration, which is why Internet Safety Day challenges them to foster supportive relationships and respectful communities, whilst equipping them with the skills they need to keep themselves and others safe in these spaces'

During the week, this day takes place, class teachers will be asked to deliver age-appropriate lessons to their classes based on this theme. During the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> February, class teachers will be asked to deliver age-appropriate lessons to their classes based on this theme.

Please, talk to your children about keeping safe while using Internet and various devices.



### Better Health - Childhood Nutrition Campaign

Change4Life are excited to announce the launch of the new childhood nutrition 'Better Health' Food Scanner App campaign. The campaign focuses on using the Food Scanner App to help families make healthier food swaps.

Families are encouraged to download the [NHS Food Scanner App](#), a handy health hack, which makes it easier for families to find healthier food and drink options.

The resources will help you explore what is in their food and how to make healthier food and drink swaps.

### Attendance

Our school attendance so far this term, despite Covid is **95.1%**, which is a great achievement - **well done, everybody!**

### After School Clubs

Mondays: KS2 Choir

Tuesdays: Football Years 4 to 6

Wednesdays: Football Years 1 to 3

Thursdays: Street Dance

Monday to Friday: Tea Time Club  
The Tea Time Club will continue to run from Monday to Friday.



**2021-2022**

### Spring Term 2022

#### First Half Term

Staff Training - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January - **School Closed**

First Day of School - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Last Day of School - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February

**Half Term - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

#### Second Half Term

First Day of School - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Last Day of School - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April - **1.30pm -**

**School Closed**

**Easter Holiday - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

### Summer Term 2022

#### First Half Term

First Day of School - Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April

**Bank Holiday - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - School Closed**

Last Day of School - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

**Half Term - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

#### Second Half Term

First Day of School - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Staff Training - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June - **School Closed**

Last Day of School - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - **1.30pm -**

**School Closed**

### Proposed Term Dates for the Autumn Term 2022

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##### First Half Term

Staff Training - Thur. 1<sup>st</sup> & Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup> September -

**School Closed**

First Day of School - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Last Day of School - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

**Half Term - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

##### Second Half Term

First Day of School - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October

Last Day of School - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - **1.45pm**

- **School Closed**

**Christmas Holiday - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023**

### Spring Term 2023

#### First Half Term

Staff Training - Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January - **School Closed**

First Day of School - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

Last Day of School - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

**Half Term - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

#### Second Half Term

First Day of School - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February

Last Day of School - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March - **1.45pm -**

**School Closed**