



English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

Friday 3rd October 2025

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who joined us last Friday. You helped raise £257 Thank you so very much!



Phonics Stay & Play

Thank you to all our Year 1 families who joined Mr Davis and the Year 1 staff team this week for Stay and Play Phonics!

We all really appreciate how involved you are in the children's learning and in supporting their learning at home and in school! Thank you to all the staff for another engaging and inspiring session!

New Term Mass

On Wednesday, we welcomed Fr Paddy into school for our New School Year Mass.

It was a great way to begin October, the month of Mary, also.

This year we have had to split our Chaplaincy Team into 3 mini teams as we have an amazing 16 children in it!

Well done to Team 1 for leading Mass so very well and supporting the younger children. Thank you, Fr Paddy, you gave us food for thought and have set the scene for the school year ahead! All children from Reception to Year 6 showed their usual reverence, thoughtfulness, understanding and reflective selves throughout, well done all 😊

Stopping Flu in its tracks!

Monday saw a stream of children from across the whole school lining up outside the Medical Room for their flu vaccines with our School Nursing Team.

They all did marvellously, even when they were nervous, worried and a little bit anxious, but staff in school and the nurses supported and also friends supported one another too. Let's hope it keeps the germs away for us all!

World Mental Health Day!

Next Friday, October 10th, is World Mental Health Day.

We pride ourselves here in school in recognising, supporting and promoting mental health every day. However, on this day, we will be joining thousand across the world in standing up to say 'it's ok not to be ok'.

To mark the day and raise awareness, we are going to have an Afternoon Tea at 230pm. Mrs Hewitson is planning the menu and also activities to do on the day.

We are inviting everyone to wear own clothes for donations.

Attendance Matters!

Being in school EVERY day and ON TIME is essential and an expectation for all.

	Attendance	Punctuality (lates)
Reception	90%	0
Year 1	94.5%	2
Year 2	92.5%	1
Year 3	98%	11
Year 4	92.5%	5
Year 5	93.5%	3
Year 6	99%	2
Total	94.5%	24

Fabulous Learning!

I have had the pleasure of being in classes this week observing teaching and learning. It has been a great week and I have thoroughly enjoyed seeing how well the children are doing and watch the fantastic teaching! Thank you all for making me feel so welcome!

What's on in school?	
Date	Activity
Friday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day Afternoon Tea @230pm
Monday 13 th ~ Friday 17 th October	Parent & Guardian consultations: Telephone consultations TBC Face to Face: Wednesday 15 th October
Wednesday 22 nd October Usual times	School closes for the Half Term break
Monday 3 rd November	INSET Day for staff
Tuesday 4 th November	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 4 th November	Year 6 trip to the Museum of Lancashire <i>The Secret War</i>
Friday 7 th November	National Outdoor Learning Day

Pantry@EM

We are 'open' any day at any time if there is anything you need to stock up on. Please don't be shy, don't be proud or embarrassed, we are all one family together and there to help and support each other. Just speak to Mrs Hewitson, Mrs Howarth, or any member of staff and a bag will be ready for collection at the end of the day 😊

'A word or a smile is often enough to put
fresh life in a despondent soul.'
St Therese of Lisieux

The theme for English Martyrs' Shining Stars this week
was chosen by Mrs H for...



'Generosity'

Nursery – Nicole

Reception – Chimdiuto

Year 1 – Agnes

Year 2 – Sabawoon

Year 3 – Sheika

Year 4 – Ronak

Year 5 – Emilia

Year 6 – Sophie



The Life-Long Learners at English Martyrs' theme
for this half term is

'Curiosity'

Nursery – Elijah

Reception – Maisie

Year 1 – Seyi

Year 2 – Roman

Year 3 – Pola

Year 4 – Valerie

Year 5 – Amber

Year 6 – Angela



Well done EVERYONE!

You ALL always make us proud!

