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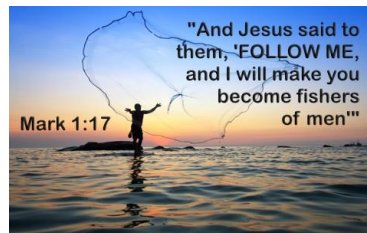
Friday 26th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please see below our school reflection, important information and celebrations of work and achievement across the school from this week.

"Follow Me and I will make you Fishers of men"

This week in school, we have reflected upon and learned about Jesus and his first meeting with some of his disciples. Jesus gives us the best news, His invitation to – listen to Him, believe what He tells us and follow Him. In assemblies and class, we have looked at how through our words, actions and prayer we can follow Jesus and share the Good News with everyone we meet.



Chester Zoo:

Earlier this week children from Reception to Year Six visited Chester Zoo, as part of our science curriculum and wider-school experience. The children enjoyed a fantastic experience and were a credit to you, staff and themselves, displaying wonderful behaviour. It is fair to say that the weather on the two days was wintry and contrasting. Nevertheless, this did not affect their enthusiasm and enjoyment.

Please see school twitter for further photos capturing the day.



Building Update:

As shared last week, our new kitchen build continues to progress and move towards completion. This week marked the final time of using our existing and long-standing dining hall. This is after serving many generations and thousands of pupils who have journeyed through St Margaret Mary's over the years. As of yesterday, the children are now eating their lunches from the main hall, which will now function as a standard, multi-purpose school hall. Many thanks for your support and understanding with the ongoing building works.



Swimming:

Children in 3/4D will begin their weekly swimming lessons at Broadway Baths on Wednesday 31st January. Please read the letter we sent out earlier this week carefully which tells you all of the information you need to prepare for these lessons. The guidelines have been set out by the Manchester Schools Swimming Programme and therefore need to be adhered to.

It is extremely important that your child brings their swimming kit with them to school every Wednesday.



St Margaret Mary's After School Clubs

We are pleased to let you know that we will soon be re-commencing our 'After School Club' sessions to KS1 and KS2. **We will be sending home a letter with more details next week.**

To book a club you will need to use the School Gateway app.

If you need help doing this please don't hesitate to let us know.

LSC – February Holiday Club

Bookings are now open for the February half term holiday club and next term's LSC after school clubs.

To book please visit: <https://www.wearelsc.co.uk/book/?venue=380>

If you have any questions about the LSC sessions you can contact the team on 0800 032 1806.



NurW are this week's 'Class Attendance Winners' with an excellent 97.2% attendance!

NurW 97.2%	Nur/RecW 90%	Reck 87.5%	1T 88%	1/2M 83.6%	2M 82%
3S 87.5%	3/4D 87.2%	4C 86.7%	5C 85.9%	5J 84.1%	6G 78.2%
6W 82.3%					

When one class wins the 'Class Attendance Winners' twice during a half-term they will receive a special reward.



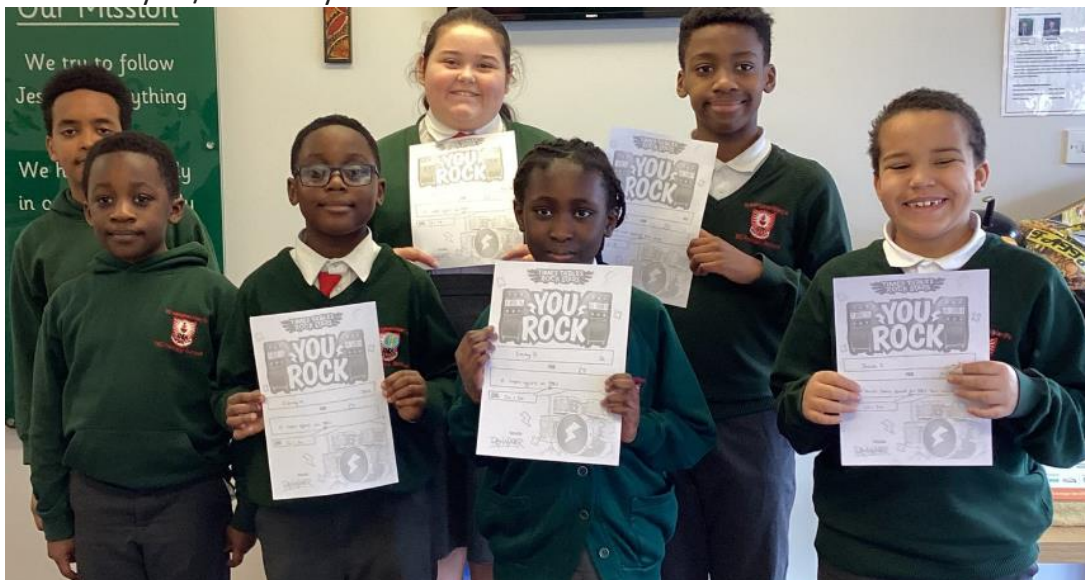
STARS OF THE WEEK

RecK: Madeline RecW: Zachary Y1T: Aleksandra	Y1/2M: Eleene Y2M: Sophia Y3S: Sheena	Y3-4D: Curtis Y4C: Anita Y5J: Oscar	Y5C: Joseph Y6G: Jimmy Dean Y6W: Feranmi
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Congratulations to our Times Tables Rockstars this week:

Y3 – Emily Y3/4 – Clarity Y4 – Jacob S Y5 – Elliot & Nabil Y6 – Denzel and Grace



What we have been doing this week...

The children in EYFS have been exploring the new construction area



Y1/2 have been taking rubbings of different textures in their environment



Y3 explored a range of different movements in dance based on the ocean



Y6 enjoyed adding a melody to their drum beat in music this week



Many thanks for your understanding and support, I hope you all have a lovely and restful weekend

Take care and God bless!

Mr Sutton
Headteacher



Dates to remember

Monday 12th February – EYFS & KS1 Parents' Evening (Letter to follow)

Tuesday 13th February – KS2 Parents' Evening (Letter to follow)

Friday 16th February – Break up for Feb half term

Monday 26th February – Return to school

Wednesday 27th March – Break up for Easter

Monday 8th April – Staff INSET day

Tuesday 9th April – Children return to school

