



## Bulletin Number 6: Friday 9 October 2020

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND THE CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

Please hold in your thoughts and prayers the school community of St Mary's CVA in Derby – one of our own academies within the Trust – which suffered a devastating fire last weekend. On Monday we joined 'Pause and Pray' in unison with all 25 schools, holding the pupils, staff, families and governors in our hearts and minds as we shared a simultaneous time of prayer. As time goes on, we will be thinking of how to support the school as the community comes to terms with its loss: our Faith Friends have already decided it would be nice to be able to send them some friendship bracelets!

Thank you for your **Family Fast Day** contributions today. Donations for the Wellspring in Stockport have been flooding in, showing our support for those with little at this time of Harvest. We have lots of tea and sugar to pass onto the charity to keep them going through the autumn! There are some lovely ideas for the weekend linked to CAFOD, including a **Global Family Food Event!**

<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day>



This week's **Wednesday Word** is now available by clicking Ctrl + Click on the image or

through this link: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesdayword/invitation?pid=MTA101634&v=6.6>

Nest week we will be holding our second Bible Alive week, where each class will focus on a Bible story and explore this piece of scripture in depth. I am looking forward to seeing high quality work produced: last year's Bible Alive week supported the children to create some amazing artwork and writing!

As it is the month of the Rosary, why not pray the Rosary at bedtime throughout the month?

### MOBILE PHONES AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Y6 have had some reminders this week about the safe use of social media platforms and how to be safe and sensible with a personal mobile phone. Y6 parents have received a letter about this tonight.

### HOLIDAY CLUB

We are planning to run our Holiday Club on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during the October half term so please let Mrs Young know ASAP if you would like to book a place.

### LONDON VIRTUAL MARATHON

Mrs Ashton completed the London Virtual marathon in 4 hr 7 mins. Very well done to Mrs Ashton - our local superstar and inspiration!

### SCARECROW TRAIL THROUGH MARPLE

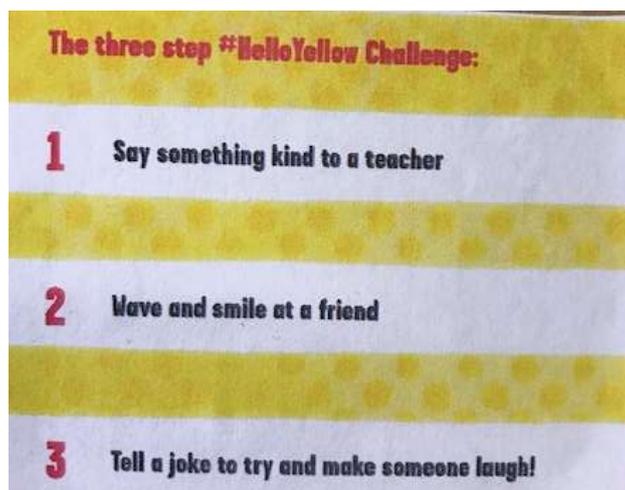
Congratulations to Jack and Isaac for their winning scarecrows, Captain Tom and Wurzel! Artist Helen from [www.marpletrails.org.uk](http://www.marpletrails.org.uk) loved our scarecrows when she watched the PTA video! She is happy to take ALL our school scarecrows to join the trail and be placed around the park for everyone to enjoy; she will collect and transport them later in the month. There will be more prizes from their panel of judges as well! **If you would rather retrieve your own scarecrow, however, please collect it at the end of next week.** One of the ideas of this Harvest initiative is to raise funds for local schools. The just giving page is to be found at [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/raising-funds-for-primary-school-children-in-the-marple-area?utm\\_term=9k9EkWmj2](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/raising-funds-for-primary-school-children-in-the-marple-area?utm_term=9k9EkWmj2).



HERE is the link to follow to see the video of our own scarecrows <https://youtu.be/VjN0SodrU04>

### World Mental Health Day Friday 9 October

Today's 'Hello Yellow' theme has been a great success – and all the yellow clothing and accessories really brightened up our day! Thank you to all those who brought a £1 donation for the Mental Health charity Healthy Young Minds. At the end of the day we had collected £180 but if you forgot today please bring your £1 into school on Monday. Over the weekend, the children can carry on their acts of kindness – swapping the word 'teacher' for 'family member'...?



### NEXT WEEK

Next week is a 3-day school week for the children. We have visitors from the Trust coming for a training day with staff on Thursday and then the teachers have a follow up INSET day on the Friday.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ...

2020 Dates	Event	Details
Thu 15 Oct AND Fri 16 Oct	INSET DAYS x2	<b>DON'T FORGET: We have two training days for staff in the middle of October.</b> This is not the same week that we break up for half term. Children will not be in school on these days.
Wed 21 Oct (TBC)	PTA Don't Stop Moving outdoor disco	Each class will enjoy an outdoor disco (with a DJ) on the bottom playground during the school day. Children to collect sponsorship for each minute that they keep moving continuously during the disco. Certificates for all. More details to follow.
Mon 26 Oct – Fri 31 Oct	Half term break	Holiday
Mon 2 Nov	Advent 2 Term Starts	Children back in school
Wed 4 Nov	Individual photographs	More details to follow
Sat 28 Nov	PTA Santa's Grotto	Father Christmas will be visiting the St Mary's outdoor classroom for timed visits. Booking details to follow.
Tue 22 Dec	Term ends	Christmas Break
2021 Dates	Event	Details
Thu 7 Jan	Lent 1 Term starts	Children back in school
Fri 2-Sun 4 Jul	St Mary's Family Camp	Every year (sadly we were unable to in 2020), many St Mary's families go camping on a field at a farm in Castleton. This is always the first weekend of July.

### A THOUGHT TO LEAVE YOU WITH....



October is the month of the Rosary. Why not use this old and special prayer at bedtime during the rest of this month? We say a number of prayers for a whole decade of the Rosary:

1x Our Father, 10x Hail Mary and 1x Glory be to the Father

Wishing everyone a happy and relaxing weekend

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