

St Patrick's News

"Serve one another humbly in love"

Galatians 5:13



Autumn Term Week Seven
Friday 16th October



Dear parents and carers,

Next week, we will focus on Creation in school. As we reach the end of the season of creation in the Church, it is important to reflect on how we are called to be stewards for our Earth.

There will be no newsletter next week. Instead, some information on our new RE scheme and how we teach Religion across school will be sent home.

Please pray for our Year 3 children making their First Communion this year, as they start their journey with a meeting on Thursday evening.

Have a lovely weekend

Upcoming Dates & Events:

- **Tuesday 20th October** - Year 5 at Our Lady's
- **Friday 23rd Oct** – Creation Day celebration at school. - TBC
- **Friday 23rd October** – school closes for the half-term break at 3.15pm.

Parents Meetings will take place on Wednesday 18th November. You will be able to book appointments after ½ term

EYFS Stay and Play

Thank you to the parents, carers and family members who were able to attend our first Stay and Play session of the year on Thursday, it is always so lovely to welcome our families into school. Please keep an eye out for our Christmas Craft Stay and Play dates next term for all classes!

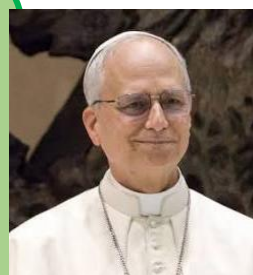
Due to a combined training day for all staff in the Emmaus Academy Trust taking place on 12th February, school will be closed on **FRIDAY 11th DECEMBER 2026** for school staff training.

Cllr Pat Karney RIP

We were saddened to hear about the death of Councillor Pat Karney this week. In his many years of local politics, he worked hard for the people of North Manchester and has been key to many of the improvements that have been seen. An online book of condolence has been [opened here](#)

May he Rest in Peace

We pray for Pope Leo and for a speedy recovery from his recent surgery. May God bring comfort and healing to Pope Leo



THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH

Sunday 18th October 2026



The Pharisees devised a plan to trap Jesus. They sent some of their followers who said to him, "Teacher, we know that you are an honest man and teach God's way with honesty. We also know that you are not afraid of anybody: someone's rank means nothing to you. Tell us, then, what you think about this question. Is it right to pay tax to the Emperor Caesar or not?" Knowing what they were up to, Jesus said, "Why do you set this trap for me? Show me the money you pay the tax with." They handed him a coin. He said to them, "Whose head is on this coin, and whose name?" "Caesar's," they replied. "So then," he said to them, "give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God."

In this Gospel, some people try to **trick Jesus with a difficult question**. They ask whether people should pay taxes to the Roman ruler, Caesar. They hope that whatever Jesus says will get him into trouble.

Jesus asks them to show him a coin. He points out that **Caesar's picture is on the coin** and tells them:

"Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and give to God what belongs to God."

Jesus is teaching us that we have **different responsibilities**.

- We have responsibilities in the world, such as **following fair rules, respecting others and doing our part to help our community**.
- But we also belong to **God**. We give to God by loving him and by living in the way Jesus teaches us.

Spotlight on Attendance...

The class with the highest attendance this week was Year 3 with 97.9%.

EYFS: 90.9%

YEAR 3: 97.9%

YEAR 6: 97.4%

YEAR 1: 97.2%

YEAR 4: 94.3%

YEAR 2: 93.5%

YEAR 5: 97.2%



Spotlight on Curriculum

Our Year 3, 4 and 5 children took part in an exciting Creative Builder workshop this week where they were given the challenge to create different structures using Lego, every child showed great cooperation and resilience. Well done!

Supporting the Common Good

Our Charity prefects helped to pack up and load the incredible amount of donations that our school community had brought in for our CAFOD Brighten Up day. We are proud to be helping our wider community.

