



St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Junior School

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"For from him and through him and for him are all things. To God be glory forever. Amen."

(Romans 11:36)

RECOGNITION



Well done to Caoimhe in 5HW for her trainer of the week award in football!



Millie in 5HW has won an award for her horse riding this week! Well done Millie!



Heidi recently took part in a gymnastics competition in Newcastle, winning multiple awards for her performances. Keep it up Heidi!



Ori in 3GM scored 5 goals in a football match just before half term and was selected as the Parent Man of the Match .

SCHOOL UNIFORM

The vast majority of our children always look immaculate in their school uniform and they make us feel really proud. Can we remind all parents and carers that children need to wear their FULL school uniform or FULL PE kit everyday. Trainers can only be worn on PE days or at break and dinner time. Accessories, including false nails, nail polish and make up are not permitted. Thank you for your support.

CLASS DOJO

ClassDojo is a great way for teachers to share class news, updates, and important information with families; it's not designed to work like a text message or instant chat service.

Teachers are unable to respond to messages during the school day (including lunchtime) as their focus is on teaching and caring for the children. If you ever need to get in touch about something urgent, please call the school office.

Class teachers will check Dojo messages when they can, but they are not expected to read or reply during the school day or in their own time. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us keep communication clear and manageable for everyone.

ICE CATS

Ice Cats visited our school this week. They showed our Year 3 children what they would need to do if the school needed to go into lockdown. Our Yr 4-6 were reminded of what to do from their training in previous years. We will be carrying out a lockdown drill later in the year. Well done children.

DELI BAR



We introduced our new Deli Bar this week in school. The children really enjoyed the wide variety of healthy options that were available to them and it seems to have been a great success.

NATIONAL SCHOOL MEALS WEEK

On Friday 14th November we are taking part in National School Meals Week. The children will be able to select a fish fingers sub (fish finger butty) with hand cooked chips and spaghetti hoops for £1.50. Please pay for the meal in advance using ParentPay.

ATTENDANCE

<u>Year Group with the fewest lost days this week</u>	<u>Classes Recognised this week</u>	<u>School Attendance this week</u>	<u>Impressive attendance this week</u>
☀ Year 6 ☀	☀ 3ST ☀ ☀ 4SC ☀ ☀ 5MQ ☀ ☀ 6SA ☀	☀ 89.2% ☀	☀ 4SC ☀

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

All emails relating to pupil absences must now be sent to schools our email address – stmargaret@knowsley.gov.uk

GREEN DAY-Tuesday 18th November



November is a special time for our school as we remember a wonderful former pupil, Jamie Leigh Usher, whose kindness and spirit continue to inspire us all. In her memory, her family established 'The Jamie Leigh Foundation', which provides respite holidays for children and their families by gifting them a stay in a specially purchased caravan.

To celebrate Jamie Leigh's birthday and support this cause, we will hold our annual 'GREEN DAY' on Tuesday 18th November. We invite your child to wear as much or as little green as they like to school instead of their uniform. **Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for school (tops need to cover the midriff). Football kits are not allowed.** We ask for a voluntary donation of £1, which will go directly to the Jamie Leigh Foundation.

SPORTS NEWS



Well done to our Y5 and Y6 mixed football team that played their third round of fixtures on Thursday afternoon. Special mentions to Ivy for being the first girl to represent the school in a mixed team for a number of years and to Lucas and Jude from Y5 for also making very good debuts. The player of the tournament though was James, our awesome goalkeeper!

☀️ Can You Help Our School? ☀️

We are always grateful for the support of parents, grandparents and carers, and we're currently looking for volunteers and donations to help us make school life even better.

👉 Volunteer opportunities:

- Driving our school minibus for trips and events.
- Helping in the school gardens to keep our outdoor spaces looking good.

👉 Donations we'd love:

- Compost, plants or gardening supplies for our planting projects.
- Complete sets of board games, card games or puzzles in good condition for children to enjoy during wet play.

If you can help in any way — big or small — please let us know. Your time and generosity make a huge difference to our children. 💚

St Margaret Mary's Infant School EYFS Open Day

We would like to invite you to...

Reception 2026 Open Evenings



Wednesday 22nd
October 2025 4-4:30pm
or
Wednesday 19th
November 2025
4-4:30pm
0151 477 8815

- ★ Ofsted rated a GOOD SCHOOL - Nov 2024
- ★ "Positive and caring relationships where pupils feel safe"
- ★ "Pupils with special education needs are supported extremely well"
- ★ Wrap around available from 8am till 5:30pm
- ★ 15 and 30 hour places Nursery from age 3



AUTUMN TERM 1 DATES FOR DIARY

(Please note that dates are subject to change but, in the event of change, we will endeavour to give parents as much notice as possible)

24th October- Break Up for Half term

NOVEMBER

11th November- Remembrance Assembly

11th November - Parent Forum Zoom meeting 6pm

w/b 17th & 24th- November Yr 5 Swimming

18th November - Green Day for The Jamie Leigh Foundation

26th November-Yr 6 trip to Western Approaches (2 classes)

27th November - Parent Meetings for 3ST, 3GM, 4CF, 6TC

28th November INSET day- children are not in school

2nd December - Parent Meetings for 3CD, 4KL, 5DN, 5MQ

4th December - Parent Meetings for 3GM, 4SC, 5HW, 6PS

5th December - Parent Meetings for 4AW, 5RR, 6SA, 6MW

9th December- Yr 3 Nativity Performance for parents 1.15pm

10th December - Yr 3 Nativity Performance for parents 9.15am

11th December - Whole School Christmas Jumper Day

12th December- Yr 4 Reconciliation in the school hall am

13th December - Whole school Carol Concert

16th December- Whole school visit to Pantomime (M & S Convention Centre) am

17th December - Whole school Talent Show 9.15am

18th December- Whole school Christmas Service with the infant school 2pm

19th December- Christmas Coffee Morning 9.15am

19th December- Finish for Christmas 1.30pm

Loving, learning, growing together with Jesus

