



St Michael & St John's RC Primary School

NEWSLETTER - 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015

"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." (John Ch10 vs10)

Dear Parents/Carers

### Pupil Chaplains

On Friday, our Pupil Chaplains delivered a presentation at Whalley Abbey to NetCet conference delegates. It was an honour to be chosen to present about the role of Pupil Chaplains in schools. Feedback from Kevin Quigley (Director of Education at Salford) and from the organiser of the conference was extremely positive. The children were enthusiastic, committed and extremely calm under pressure and following their presentation they confidently answered unseen questions from the delegates. NetCet delegates and all at the conference have asked that their appreciation and thanks are conveyed to our Pupil Chaplains and to Mrs Clarkson and Mrs Webb for the wonderful work they do with them. Thank you and well done to all involved!

### Brass Lessons

We do offer brass lessons, within school, by an independent teacher, therefore, should your child be interested in playing a brass instrument please contact the school office.

### Reception Class Photo

Our Reception class will be having a group photo taken on Wednesday, 30th September. This will be published in the local paper with all of the new Reception classes from the local schools.

### School Admissions

If you have a child due to start Primary (d.o.b. between 1/9/11 & 31/8/12) or Secondary school in September 2016 then you need to apply online at: [www.lancashire.gov.uk](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk) The closing date for Primary school applicants is Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016 and for Secondary school Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2015 (within the half term holiday)

### School Council Representatives

The following children have been voted on to the school Council by their peers:-



- Year 1 - Peter Holden and Harriett Young
- Year 2 - Lexi Holt and Zachary Holliday
- Year 3 - Noah Wrigley and Imogen Holt-Johnson
- Year 4 - Joshua Hoyle and Eve Layzell
- Year 5 - Amber McCarthy and Daniel Meloy
- Year 6 - Jenny Pinder and Aaron Wilkins-Odudu

### **Harvest**

The school Council are asking for your help to collect non-perishable food items such as tins and packets to support others this Harvest. The 2<sup>nd</sup> October is Cafod Harvest Day and the school Council are collecting items which will be displayed in the school hall then taken across to Church before being distributed to Maundy Grange.

They are also asking if you know of any vulnerable or elderly parishioners/members of the community who might benefit from a Harvest parcel. If so, please supply their details by writing a note or telephoning the school office.

### **Air Ambulance Fundraising Week**

Thank you to Mrs Jackson, Mrs Layzell and Mr Evans for a fun filled fundraising week. The children have thoroughly enjoyed all of the activities and we will provide you with the full total as soon as possible. Thank you for your efforts by donating items and baking cakes! We also thank all those who supplied raffle prizes to support this event including the Castle Chippy and our parents.

### **Please Support Sophie-Leigh Jeffries**

Sophie, one of our pupils in Year 3, has decided to support the Little Princess Trust, a Charity providing real hair wigs free of charge to children suffering hair loss due to cancer treatment. Sophie is donating 9 inches of her hair on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> October at 11am at Genesis hair and beauty on Wellgate. If you would like to sponsor Sophie and help raise money for this Charity, we have a sponsor form in the office. Please support Sophie if you can.

### **Bugsy Malone - St Augustine's**

The students at St Augustine's are putting on a performance of Bugsy Malone from Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> October. Tickets are available from St Augustine's school office on: 01254-823362 at a cost of £6 adults, £3 children/concessions or £12 family ticket for 4.

### **Next Week at School**

- Monday, 28th September - France Trip with St Mary's, Sabden for some Year 5 and Year 6 pupils
- Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> September - Feast Day of St Michael the Archangel

- Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September - Reception class photo
- Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September - Year 5 Swimming
- Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October - No assembly

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

*Z Mabbott*

**Mrs Z Mabbott**  
**Headteacher**