



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning and loving on our journey with Jesus

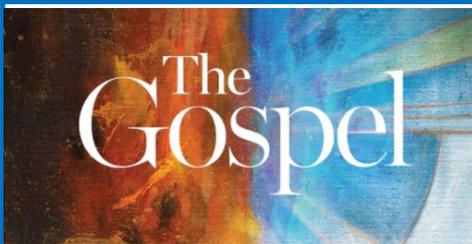
Ready, Respectful, Safe

Term 5, Week 2 30th April 2021—St Mary's Catholic School Newsletter

Daily mile run extravaganza!!!



Today all the children took part in the national daily mile. Schools and 'social bubbles', up and down the country, ran, jogged or walked their mile either virtually or in their playgrounds in an effort to raise awareness for children's mental health and wellbeing across the country. I spoke to some of the children about the experience of being in the great outdoors and running with their friends. Gracie from Mr Donaghy's class said 'It was fun and it helped me to carry on because I was running so good... I felt proud and impressed with myself' Rayhan said 'It was exciting and really fun, I felt proud that I ran for a long time.' A huge thanks to Mrs Weller for organising this today!!!



This Sundays Gospel 2nd May 2021

John 14:1-6

Jesus said to the disciples, 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'

Reflection: *I am being invited to trust the God who loves me and who is waiting for me. I talk to Jesus about my troubles and anxieties. I listen to him as he replies to me.*

School website—<https://www.stmarys-maidenhead.org.uk/>

Celebrations Assembly:

Congratulations to the following children who have demonstrated to their teachers and classmates that they deserve the **star of the week** for demonstrating resilience, perseverance and kindness in numerous ways.

The children are:

Ladybirds—Noah

Bumblebees—Harley

Infant 1—Fergus

Infant 2—Sienna

Infant 3—Adam

LJ1 Eleanor

LJ2 Isabel

LJ3—Nadia

UJ1—Niamh

UJ2—Ana Soliva

UJ3 Chloe Rye

Diary dates:

Mon 3rd May—May bank holiday—school closed

Thurs 27th May—End of term 5

Fri 28th May—INSET day

Mon 31st May to Fri 4th June—Half term

Fri 25th June—INSET day

Mon 12th July—INSET day

RSE—Relationships Sex Education

Since September 2020 it has been a statutory requirement to teach RSE in schools. The focus in primary schools is relationships education focusing on de-

veloping positive relationships, tolerance of others and how to manage conflict. Sex education is recommended by the Department of Education (Dfe) to be taught at an age appropriate level although parents have the right to withdraw their children from these lessons following consultation. We will not teach sex education until year 5/6 when we will invite parents to look at the content of these particular lessons and ask any questions they may have. As a Catholic school RSE will be taught in the context of the Catholic faith.

Our year 5/6 team have sent a letter for parents to seek permission to teach this element of the curriculum and have a chance to raise questions. Please return permission slips by 7th May 2021.

Wearing Masks

A number of parents are entering school without a mask. If you do not have a medical reason please wear a mask to keep our community safe. Many thanks.

