St Michael and All Angels Catholic Primary www.smaaanews.com @smaaanews Friday 17th September 2021

St Michael and All Angels Primary New Hey Road Woodchurch Wirral CH495LE

The summer holiday now feels like a distant memory! This week has been busy as usual and we are now fully back into the stride of learning.

Last Friday, we said a big 'goodbye' to Fr Chris who left us



to serve as Canon Christopher at Shrewsbury Cathedral. He visited every classroom to say bye to the children. We will miss him It costs nothing to treat someone with respect.

lots but we are looking forward to getting to know Fr Niall who will now serve our Parish and school.

Friday 24th September – Individual/Family Photographs (am)
Week beginning 27th September – Harvest donations for Wirral Foodbank
Thursday 14th October – Foundation 2 to Year 6 – Flu Vaccines



PARENT MEETINGS - Before the end of this half term, your child's class teacher will contact you to ask if you wish to have an 'in school' Parents Meeting appointment or a phone call. These appointments will take place in the week before and after half term. It is important that you take the opportunity to talk to your child's class teacher as they will be able to let you know how they have

settled into their new class as well as how they are doing academically. This is a vital opportunity for you to share any worries or concerns you have.

HOLIDAYS during term time
Holidays are not authorised during term time.

Any unauthorised holidays could result in a penalty charge being issued to each parent/carer with parental responsibility.

Toast Club opens at 8:15am every morning and costs £1.60 per child (£1.30 for siblings). You do not need to book a place. It can be accessed via the Main Entrance.

After School Club

If you wish to book an ASC Place you can do this via the School Office or the After School Club email. All places must be booked and paid for in advance. The cost per session is £6.50.

Normally at the beginning of the school year, each class votes for their School Council representatives. However due to Covid restricting the work of School Council last year and them being unable to meet together, it was agreed that the children chosen last year will continue in their roles this year. Miss Clark is looking forward to working with Amelia (Little Angels), Sophie & Noah (Year 1), Julia & Oliver (Year 2),



Marnie & Craig (Year 3), Ava and Isabella (Year 4), Lewis & Leah (year 5) and Alissa & Cole (Year 6).



We are pleased to announce that our new Head Boy and Head Girl in Year 6 are Bobby and Abbie. We are sure that they will prove to be excellent ambassadors for our school. Both children have had some practise when they were asked to speak to the Ofsted Inspectors at the end of Year 5 and they demonstarted wonderfully how they are positive role models for their peers.

PARKING – Please continue to park only in designated bays in the car park. The car park seems to be busier than ever (if this is possible), please drive safely and slowly at all times. If you are walking through the car park, please ensure your children are next to you & do not run off ahead.

ATTENDANCE – Following Covid and children missing so much time off school, the LA are working closely with school to monitor attendance. We have had a positive start to the year with good attendance and we really hope this continues. It is vital for children to be in school during these first few weeks in the school year as they settle and establish themselves into new classes and learn new rules.

Congratulations to Year 1 for having the best attendance this week.

Foundation 1 – 84.9% Year 1 – 98% Year 3 – 95.6% Year 5 – 95% Foundation 2 – 94.3% Year 2 – 97.2% Year 4 – 90.5% Year 6 – 94%

Our school value for September is **RESPECT**.

In Assembly this week we thought about the importance of 'respecting' the world that God has created for us to look after. It is our common home because we share it with everyone. We are a family and like every family, we need to work together to look after our home.



We read the story of God creating the world from Genesis, the first book in the Bible. The children learnt about how Pope Francis has written a letter addressed to every person on this planet, asking us all to protect our common home, the Earth. In his encyclical, 'Laudato Si', Pope Francis speaks openly about the devastating effects of the ecological crisis on people and the planet. He asks us 'What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?' and so we thought about how we in school can work together to care for and show respect to our world and 'common home'. The



children recognised how there are many ways we can start by doing what Pope Francis asked of us by showing respect to the environment. We thought about how easy it would be to make sure our rubbish goes in the bin and to not waste energy or water by turning off taps and lights. We also thought about the importance of recycling and walking or riding our bikes instead of automatically going for short journeys in the car. If we all work together, we can make a huge difference!

It's lovely to see the children working hard in school and enjoying their new classes. Please remember to keep up dated via our Facebook and Twitter pages.



Enjoy the weekend, Mrs Ralph