



Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024



# Weekly Newsletter

## 🔔 Bank Holiday Reminder 🔔

Remember that school is closed on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May due to the May bank holiday- please enjoy the extra day together and we look forward to welcoming the children on their return on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 8:45am.

## ☀️ New Parents' Meeting! ☀️

We are looking forward to Thursday evening as we welcome the families of our 2024 reception cohort. The parents' and carers will get to meet the staff, have a look around school and ask any questions as we introduce and welcome them to the St John's family!

## 🚲 Dr Bike 🚲

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May, between 3:00pm-6:00pm, Dr Bike is holding a workshop at Sacred Heart. This is an opportunity to have your bikes checked over to ensure they are safe for a summer of fun and adventures and the event is free!

## 🏈 Sporting News 🏈

### 🏈 Rugby Team 🏈

Unfortunately, our game against XII Apostles was cancelled this week, so we must now wait to play our final game of the league season when a free week becomes available.

### 🏈 Mixed Football 🏈

Congratulations to our football team who played against St Michael's in a friendly last night. The game was a close affair with both teams creating lots of chances; however, it ourselves who managed to win the game 3-2.

It was a great test as we get ready for our upcoming league fixtures. Well done everyone!

## ☀️ Bank Holiday Weekend Fun! ☀️

This weekend is the first of a new food, drink and family un event that will take place on the first Saturday of each month over the coming months. Leigh Feast will showcase the very best of Leigh's local traders, entertainers and family-friendly activities.

This weekend's event will include performances from pupils at the Northern Star Dance school, Louby Loo, Gemstone Cheer & Dance and the one and only 'Leeto Leopard will be there too!

So, if you are looking for something to do as a family this weekend (Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May), why not head to Leigh Civic Square from 2pm to join in with the all of the fun!



Tuesday 7 May & Tuesday 23 July

**Cycle Three Sisters 2024**

Our popular free cycling event returns to the Three Sisters Race Circuit in Ashton-in-Makerfield. Families from across the borough are invited to come along - with or without a bike - and join in the fun!

**FREE Family Event**

3pm\* - 8pm

**What to expect** There will be a host of family-friendly activities including:

- The chance to cycle the full 1.4 kilometre race circuit
- Adult and children's bikes and helmets available to borrow
- Balance bike track (ages 5 and under)
- Cycle skills for ages 6-12
- Wheels for All adapted cycles
- E-bikes
- Cycling stalls
- Climbing wall
- Face painting
- Inflatables

To find out more visit [wigan.gov.uk/cycleThreeSisters](http://wigan.gov.uk/cycleThreeSisters) or email the team [wellbeing@bewellwigan.org](mailto:wellbeing@bewellwigan.org)

\*From 3.30pm to 2.00pm there will be a dedicated opportunity for those with balance bikes, ones with cushions and adapted bikes (MAK) to use the main circuit.

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## 🏠🚗 Advance Notice- Upcoming Trips 🚗🏠

Over the coming weeks we have a number of classes who will be heading off the school site to enhance their learning with some amazing educational visits.

On **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May**, our Year 1 class are heading to Skipton Castle to enhance their 'Once Upon a Castle' topic. Whilst there, they will learn all about the materials used to make castles, how they were designed so they could be defended along with a number of other interactive activities. It's sure to be a fantastic day!

On **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**, Year 5 are off to Eyam as part of their learning about The Great Plague. They will spend time exploring Eyam village, learning all about the history of Eyam and how its citizens managed to contain the disease. What a brilliant way to immerse themselves in a history topic!

On **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**, our Year 4 children are heading to Cuerden Valley to take part in some geography fieldwork. They will learn all about the different parts of a river, how rivers are formed and the variety of living organisms that you can find in and around rivers. I'm sure this visit will enhance their current geography topic.

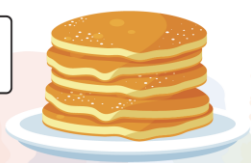
For further information, please keep an eye on Tapestry and Parentmail.

### Census Day 2024

Is a very important day for us!

Join us on...

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May**



**Back by popular demand!  
Come and enjoy a  
delicious pancake dessert!**



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### App of the Week: Pic Collage



A superbly versatile app for creating posters, annotating photos. Presenting ideas and recording all aspects of learning.

### Thought of the Week:



## ~~X~~ ~~⚠️~~ ~~X~~ A further reminder about Unauthorised Holidays ~~X~~ ~~⚠️~~ ~~X~~

We kindly remind parents and carers once again to resist taking holidays in term time. These are unauthorised absences which impact on your child's progress and often on their ability to re-establish themselves within their trusted friendship groups too. We have also been receiving numerous enquiries from parents regarding the timings of key assessments for the purposes of arranging holidays around them.

The **Y1 Phonics Check** is administered week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and concludes by 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024.

The **Y4 Multiplication Tables Check** is administered week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 and concludes by 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**Y6 SATS** week is 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 for English and Maths tests and writing assessments continue into June and conclude towards the end of June. It is imperative for children to maintain good attendance throughout, and holidays in school time must be avoided.

### OTHER DIARY DATES

DATE	Event
Each Sunday	St Mary's Church Sunday Service @ 10am with Sunday School. Junior Park 2K Run @ Leigh Sports Village (free for 4-10yr. Old's) 9am
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	School Closed- May Bank Holiday
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs Week
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 Visit to Skipton Castle
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 Visit to Eyam.
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Visit to Cuerden Valley
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Brass Concert @ 10am
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	KS2 Inclusion Festival- Just Join In Olympics

Dr. Bike Workshop  
Friday 10 May 2024  
3.00pm – 6.00pm

## Sacred Heart School Playground

Bring along your bike to make sure that it's summer safe – we can look at punctures, brakes, cables and other small fixes – absolutely free!

