



3rd October 2025

**If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea', and it would obey you.
Luke 17:5-6**

Spanish Day!

We had a wonderful 'Spanish Day' on Tuesday. The children took part in lots of enrichment activities and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Thank you to Mrs Moores-Hunt for organising the event.

Sacramental Programme meetings and Mass

The Welcome Mass for children on the Sacramental programme takes place this Sunday 5th September at 11.30am at St Marie's church.

The first session of the programme (for both children and parents) will take place on Tuesday 7th October at 3.15pm in the main hall. Parents should collect their child as normal and then come around to the main entrance. If children attend after school clubs, they should attend this meeting with parents and miss their club for this week.

Golden Ticket Reading Challenge

I am sure that you are aware that we are currently running a special reading challenge across school. If the children read five times a week and have their reading records signed by a parent, they will be awarded a special golden ticket and their name will be put forward for a raffle ticket draw for our reading vending machine. The children are also putting their requests in for new titles to be purchased!

School Uniform

It has been great to see all of the children looking smart in full school uniform. Thank you for this. Please do ensure that all uniform is labelled (especially jumpers which have a habit of getting lost!) and that children bring a coat to school, even if the weather is sunny - just in case. A polite reminder that school shoes must be worn for school and not black trainers (except in Nursery/Reception where black trainers are permitted).

Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school. PE consists of white T-shirt and black shorts. Pumps must be worn inside and trainers are allowed for outside only. Plain black jogging bottoms or plain black leggings can be worn for outside lessons.

Support and Help

It is important to us at school to know that if any parents/families are struggling for whatever reason then we are here to help as much as we can. Please do speak to the class teachers or directly to myself in confidence, if you need any support in any way. Sometimes we can direct you to other professionals for support or we may be able to help you ourselves. We are here to help.

Year 5 trip – Chester

A letter with full details and a consent slip has been placed on the parent hub. Please ensure all monies are paid by Monday 20th October.

Year 6 Bikeability

Just a reminder that the Year 6 children received a form to take part in the upcoming Bikeability sessions. Can you please ensure these are completed and returned by Friday 10th October as no child will be allowed to take part unless this form is completed, signed and returned – thank you.

Updated contact forms

We still have several forms outstanding. It is vitally important that you check these details carefully, make amendments where necessary, sign and return back as soon as possible. As we move forward we will be changing from our Parenthub App to the Arbor app (details will be given out nearer the time) however we need to ensure all contact details and at least one parental email address is on the system – any questions please contact Mrs Barber in the office – thank you.

Attendance Matters

As a school, we have always had really good attendance compared to other schools in the local authority. Good attendance is everyone's responsibility and we must maintain this and continue to improve. There is currently a renewed drive from the Department of Education and schools must be seen to promote excellent attendance. Whilst we appreciate there are times that children cannot come into school and individual children that we know about have medical conditions that impact on their health, we still need to do everything as a school to promote and celebrate excellent attendance.

Class attendances for this week.

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	98.5%
Year One	99.6%
Year Two	98.5%
Year Three	97.9%
Year Four	99%
Year Five	96.2%
Year Six	98.3%

Well done to Year 1 for having the best attendance this week!

The class with the best attendance will receive an extra playtime each week.

Celebration Assembly

Our weekly celebration assemblies will take place at **2.30pm** on a Friday afternoon. Parents are welcome to attend, especially if your child has been awarded a certificate. If your child has been awarded a certificate, you will be sent a message the day before to invite you to the assembly, should you wish/be able to attend.

This week we congratulate the following children:

Nursery	Aizah Ullah	For sharing excellent knowledge about people who help us
Reception	Hiba Ali	For super phonics!
Year 1	Ismaeel Ghyas	For settling into Year 1 so well!
Year 2	Zuzanna Dobosz	For showing lots of enthusiasm in our special Spanish day
Year 3	Aisha Hussain	For a super start in Year 3 – superstar keep it up!
Year 4	Oscar Watkiss	For amazing effort and impressive knowledge in History! Keep it up!
Year 5	Nojus Vosylius	For ALWAYS putting in 100% effort in everything he does! Keep it up Nojus!
Year 6	Abdul Shakoor	For amazing attitudes to all his work
Mr McRae	Chisimdiri Onyekachi	For showing great maturity and kindness over lunchtime

Where a child's name has not appeared on the table above, it is because permission has not been given to include names on newsletters etc. Please contact the school office to amend this if needed for the future

A Final Note

This week we enter the month of October. October is a special month as it is dedicated to the Holy Rosary – the series of prayers, including the Hail Marys, which Our Lady asks us to pray especially during this month. As we pray the Rosary, we reflect upon various aspects of Jesus' life. In school the children will be learning about the Rosary this month and the older children will be praying it during Celebration of the Word/Prayer and Liturgy. There will be information on the school website about praying the Rosary at home so we do encourage you to talk with your children about using Rosary beads and praying these prayers as a family.

We keep in our prayers all of those impacted by the terrible events outside the Heaton Park Congregation Synagogue yesterday. May they find comfort in the prayers and good wishes of all.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

God bless,

Mr McRae
Head Teacher



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