



## Mount Carmel RC Primary Newsletter

*Truth, Love, Life to The Full*

### Spring Week 8- 8/3/24

#### Message from the Headteacher



Back in November, we had professional photographers and videographers in school. I have now received the photos and the video from that day. You can view the video and the photos taken by looking at our updated school website. The photos of the children are so beautiful and you can find different photos on each new page of the website. Please take a nose!

<https://www.mountcarmel.manchester.sch.uk/>

Each week, during Lent, I will include a short prayer in the newsletter. This week, I have included a prayer for mothers and I would like to wish all our mothers and mother figures a very happy Mother's Day.

*All loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old. We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.*

*We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.*

*We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.*

*We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.*

*We remember mothers, grandmothers and great grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love,*

*Amen.*

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Seaborn

**In the Curriculum (Book Week Edition)**

We have celebrated book week across the school. Both departments enjoyed a performance of 'The Wind in the Willows' performed by a theatre company called Story Magic.



On World Book Day, Year 3 visited Central Library in Manchester for an author visit. The children enjoyed meeting Nick Sharrett and listened to him read his story 'Shark in the Park.' Nick is not just a fabulous author, but an illustrator too and the children enjoyed a drawing lesson with him. The children came back to school with some signed copies of his books for our school library. Thank you Nick!



This week, we have had several mystery readers in school. Mrs Hart made a guest appearance in our Infant Department and read the children a story. It was a lovely surprise for the children. Thank you for your support with mystery reader.



The children dressed as a word for World Book Day. The children enjoyed a special assembly and a vocabulary parade.



Today the children enjoyed a book swap event. There are more pictures from Book Week on our school X account. Follow the link @Mount\_Carmel1

### Lenten Fundraising

The children in KS2 have decided on some ways to raise money for charity in Lent.

Next Friday (15<sup>th</sup> March), St Joseph house will be selling ice pops for 50p. If a child in KS2 would like an ice pop, they should bring in 50p next Friday.

The children in St Clare's, have decided to have an early morning breakfast on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> March. If your child is in St Clare's, and would like to attend this breakfast at 8:15am they need to buy a ticket from Mrs Dennis. Tickets are £1.50.

More Lenten fundraising activities to follow.

### Raising Awareness of Factors that Impact on Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing.

As we continue on our journey to support your child's mental health and wellbeing, we want to invite you to a workshop led by Kate Brown, our school Drama Therapist.

Kate will share with you the factors (ACEs) that can impact on children's wellbeing in their normal daily lives, but can have a long-lasting effect.

Kate has already delivered this session to all our teachers and TAs and they found it extremely thought provoking, not only in a school setting but also in their own personal lives.

Refreshments will be available and Kate will be available to answer any questions you may have following the session. Please join us for this important workshop on Friday 22nd March 9am in the Infant Hall.

### Mother's Day Afternoon

On Monday 11th March, the children in Reception are having a special afternoon to celebrate Mother's Day. They would like to invite a grown up to attend the event. We ask that only one person per child attends the event as there is limited space in the hall for the activities.

Reception Miss Johnson – 1:30pm – 2:15pm


Reception Mr Stewart- 2:15pm- 3:00pm

### Virtues and Values

This half term we are growing to be 'Faith Filled and Hopeful.' We will be promoting these values in school through our collective worship and in discussions with the children. Each week a child in each class will be chosen for a special certificate for using these values and will have afternoon tea with Mrs Seaborn.

*"Faith-filled in their beliefs and hopeful for the future."*

### Attendance



**Getting your child to school really matters. Did you know...**

If in a school year, your child is late every day by...	Your child would have lost approximately...	or they would have missed approximately...
<b>5 Minutes</b>	<b>3.5 Days from School</b>	<b>20 Lessons</b>
<b>10 Minutes</b>	<b>7 Days from School</b>	<b>41 Lessons</b>
<b>15 Minutes</b>	<b>10 Days from School</b>	<b>55 Lessons</b>
<b>20 Minutes</b>	<b>14.5 Days from School</b>	<b>82 Lessons</b>
<b>30 Minutes</b>	<b>22 Days from School</b>	<b>123 Lessons</b>

**You should not take your child on holiday during term time. Please encourage punctuality to maintain school attendance.**

**Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity**

Every day counts! This half term there will be 3 x £10 KFC vouchers in a prize draw for KS2 children with 100% attendance. In KS1 there will be a £30 ASDA voucher up for grabs for a child with 100% attendance.

Nursery	87.4%	Year 3D	94.7%
Reception S	94.7%	Year 3R	100%
Reception J	94.0%	Year 4L	96.7%
Year 1B	99.3%	Year 4S	98.1%
Year 1L	94.3%	Year 5H	96.8%
Year 2C	99.0%	Year 5W	97.4%
Year 2G	94.7%	Year 6B	97.4%
		Year 6C	98.%

Dates for the Diary	
11/3/24	<u>Mother's Day Afternoon Event for Reception</u> Reception Miss Johnson – 1:30pm – 2:15pm Reception Mr Stewart- 2:15pm- 3:00pm
19/3/24	Junior Parents' Evening
20/3/24	Infant Parents' Evening
22/3/24	Raising Awareness of Factors that Impact on Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing Workshop- 9am Infant Hall.
26/3/24	EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade Y1- Y6 Decorate an Egg competition
27/3/24	Stations of the Cross Liturgy for Y6 parents 2:45pm (Junior Hall)
28/3/24	Easter Play (Year 2 ) – Year 2 Parents welcome 9 am (Infant Hall)
28/3/24	School closes for Easter at 1:30pm