

# **Autumn 1 2025**

# Welcome back!

I hope you enjoyed a lovely break, especially the sunshine. It would appear that Autumn has definitely arrived, please make sure the children wear a coat every day.

It has been lovely to see all the children arrive back in school and see them settled in their new classes.

Over the holidays we had phase 2 of the electrical works completed in Key Stage 1 and the Nursery building.

# Congratulations last year's Year 6 Awards

Each year the staff nominate children for a variety of awards. These are presented in the last week before the summer break.

The award winners last year were:

Sports award (boy) = Thomas G Sports award (girl) = shared between Matilda and Maisie Childer award = Ekrit Mary Livesey Friendship award = Grayson Endeavour award = Keira



#### 2 years of lunchtime links 2023-2025

As part of our Behaviour Policy our lunchtime staff identify children making good choices and following our school rules—Ready, Respectful & Safe; once identified they give the child a link which they write their name on.

Over the Summer we laid out the chain that had been created over the past 2 years, it was 63 metres long!

I wonder how long we can make it this year!



# **Prayers please**

We have a number of members of our family community in need of our prayers including Mr Dixon who is undergoing treatment for an aggressive cancer and Miss McBride's mum who is very poorly in Ireland.

# Meet the Teacher and Open Afternoon Wednesday 1st October @2pm

Key Stage 1 (Mrs Craven, Miss Kadir & Miss Byrne) and Key Stage 2 (Mrs Quigg/ Mrs Owen, Miss Winnard, Miss Corry, Miss Newton, Miss McBride & Miss Hughes)

We are inviting parents of KS1 and KS 2 into school for an Open afternoon and an opportunity to meet your child's teacher.

Please enter through the main entrance.

To ensure safe exit for the children the Open afternoon will end at 3pm, parents to leave via the main entrance and pick up on the playground as normal.



#### **Early Years Parents Information Evening**

Parents are invited to an information evening on Thursday 25th September at 6pm in the school hall. Please enter via the Main Entrance.

### **Early Years Parents settling in meeting**

We have arranged settling in meeting for Early Years parents Wednesday 8th Oc-

The sign up sheets for the parents meetings will be on display outside the Reception & Nursery entrance in the mornings and evenings at drop off and collection time. Please PRINT your child's name in an allocated time.

If you are struggling to book please email

office@stthomasmorerc.rochdale.sch.uk

clearly stating the name of your child and the class teachers name.







PLEASE PRINT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN 1 ALLOTED TIME



We enjoyed a number of events, visits and visitors in the Summer.









# **Behaviour and politeness**

As you know we constantly remind our children about our rules in school

READY RESPECTFUL SAFE

and recognise children who are trying hard to make the right choices. Staff build relationships with the children to support them on their school journey. We understand that children sometimes find navigating school life and routines difficult, as a Catholic school we seek God's grace and practice forgiveness.

In recent years there have been an increasing number of incidents whereby staff have not been treated by respect from some adults within our school community, however it helps our children if we model appropriate behaviour at all times.

Please be mindful when communicating with members of staff either in person, on the phone or by email as dis-respect will not be accepted.

We are happy to assist and support families in our community and this works well when we work together.

#### Staffing 2025-2026

#### **Early Years (Lead Miss Barran)**

Nursery & Reception Miss Barran/ Miss Dunkerley

Miss Crowley & Mrs Patterson/ Mrs Coughlan

#### **Key Stage 1 (Lead Mrs Craven)**

Year 1/2 Mrs Craven/ Miss Kadir/ Miss Byrne

Miss Reeves, Mrs Jamieson, Mrs Williams, Miss Rooney & Miss Adeleke

#### **KS2 Lead Miss Hughes**

#### **Lower Key Stage 2**

Year 3/4 Mrs Quigg & Mrs Owen /Miss Corry / Miss Winnard

Mrs McKenna & Mrs Corlett

#### **Upper Key Stage 2**

Year 5/6 Miss Hughes/Miss McBride/ Miss Newton

Mr Burton & Mrs McNally

#### EYS & KS1 Sunshine Room (Nursery building)

Mrs Williams, Miss Rooney & Mrs Adeleke

#### **KS2 Sunshine Room**

Miss Tiani, Mrs Stephenson & Mrs Pennells (am)

Mrs Pennells (pm) – PE

We wish good luck to Mr Robinson he has resigned his position at school.

#### Message for the new year

We have been talking about St Carlos Acutis and St Pier Giorgio Frassati who were both known for their love of God. So the children have been actively thinking about Jesus' message "Love one another, as I have Loved You" (John 13:34-35)

We look forward to a wonderful year.

Thought for the term...

Mrs Butterworth

Love one another, as I have loved you.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Information

#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Whole school flu vaccination (Reception – Year 6) 7:00 First Holy Communion meeting in St Peter's Parish Centre

#### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September

6:00 EYFS information evening

# Friday 26th September

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

#### **Tuesday 30th September**

After school—CROSS COUNTY EVENT @STM



# Wednesday 1st Oct

2:00 MEET THE TEACHER OPEN DAY

#### Friday 3rd Oct

Morning Y6 Crucial Crew trip

#### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct

9:00 - 11:30 EYFS parents meetings

#### Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct

3:30 - 6:30 EYFS parents meetings

# Monday 20th Oct

Individual photos

# Friday 24th Oct

FINISH FOR HALF TERM BREAK

# THE WILLIAM TO BE A STORY THE STAY SATURAY SUIDAY Let go of self-critician and self-crit

# Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

SCHOOL REOPENS

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

As servants of God, we follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ. through his love, we guide each member of our family on their own spiritual journey to achieve and grow.

We love, we learn, we live with Christ.