

Milton St. John's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Wednesday 23 November 2022

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RUN PUDSEY

Following our Run Pudsey event on Friday, Pudsey managed to fit us into his busy schedule on Monday and came into school and visit each class! The children were very excited to see him!!

We were bowled over with the amount of money raised for Children in Need. Thank you to everyone who donated.

**£2145 was raised through the event –
Thank you!!**



MAIN SCHOOL GATES

Now that both gates are open, a number of parents have asked why they can't walk through the playground to get to the other side of the school e.g. from the main gate on Mill Lane across towards the kitchen gate, or from the kitchen gate to the main entrance before or after school.

We understand that this may be an inconvenience, but it is for safety reasons that we politely ask that parents respect the system we have in place. Once the bell goes at 8.45am the school doors are open for the children to enter and we find that standing on the gate enables us to ensure that the children go into school safely. If a number of parents walk across the playground we are unable to see if an adult has entered or exited the main school building where the children enter. For safeguarding reasons, it is not appropriate for parents/adults to be unsupervised in the school building. Equally, at home time, as classes are staggered it is safer for the children to be released safely from the gates without parents trying to get into and across the playground. Gates will be closed after a class has been released at home time. Anyone picking their child up late will need to come to the new main entrance.

PTA FILM NIGHT

The PTA recently met and have some amazing ideas for the year ahead. They are currently busy organising a film night for the children to attend before Christmas, which is fantastic! More details about the dates/times will soon follow.

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CHRISTMAS FAIR AND CRAFT DAYS

Following on from the success last year with our Christmas Fair and Craft Days, the children will be taking part in a Christmas Fair and Craft day during the week beginning 12 December. We understand that some parents may prefer the traditional evening Christmas Fairs that we have done in the past and may be disappointed with this decision, but doing this in school time allows all children to participate and hopefully keeps costs down for parents.

The day will be a special, fun and exciting time where the children will have their own Christmas Fair experience as well as take part in Christmas craft activities.

To raise much needed funds for the school, we would like the children to bring £5 into school by **Thursday 1 December** (this won't be on online, children need to bring £5 into school to their teacher please). This money will then be exchanged for tokens to use at their Christmas Fair day. Activities will include games/chocolate tombola etc. If this causes some financial concerns, please speak to the office.



Money raised at the Fair will be used towards funding a new Forest School cabin that we have been planning for some time. We have already received a kind donation from Skools Out of £1000 for this project, but need to raise more in order for it to be successful. Some of the money raised will also subsidise the KS2 pantomime and pay for EYFS and KS1 parties.

So that each class can have their own chocolate tombola, we would like the children to bring a chocolate donation in on Wednesday 30 November. In return the children are able to come to school with crazy hair on this day.

The Christmas Craft and Fair days will be on following days...

Monday 12 December – Year 5/Year 6

Tuesday 13 December – Nursery/Reception/Year 3/Year 4

Wednesday 14 December – Year 1/2

MESSY CHURCH IS BACK!

Although we still do not have a vicar at St John's Church, we have decided to reintroduce Messy Church with the help of our Worship Leaders! Our first Messy Church will be on Monday 16 January.

This event is an opportunity for children and their parent or family member to enjoy spending some time together, whilst exploring church in a fun/family friendly way.

More details about how to book on will follow in the coming weeks.



REMINDER - CLASS CHRISTMAS CAROLS – PARENTS WELCOME

The children in Nursery up to Year 5 will be holding a Christmas Carol sing along on the following dates. We anticipate that the sing a long will last approximately 30 – 40 minutes – PARENTS WELCOME. Nursery and Reception may be slightly less. The classes will perform on the following times and dates...

Class	Date	Time
Nursery	7 th December	9.15am
Reception	6 th December	9.15am
Year 1	7 th December	2.30pm
Year 2	6 th December	2.30pm
Year 3	5 th December	2.30pm
Year 4	5 th December	9.15am
Year 5	12 th December	9.15am



REMINDER - YEAR 6 CHRISTMAS PLAY

The two Year 6 classes will be performing a Christmas play on the following dates:

Tuesday 6th December 3.45pm

Thursday 8th December 5.00pm

To avoid unnecessary printing of tickets, places can be paid for via Schoolmoney and a list of people that will be attending will be held and checked off on the day. This is now available on Schoolmoney.

We ask for a £2 donation per ticket with a maximum of 4 tickets being available per family, per play.

CLOSING DATES FOR RECEPTION APPLICATIONS

Tameside residents should use the Tameside Citizen Portal to apply for a Reception place. If you do not live within Tameside but wish to apply for a place at a Tameside school, you should apply via your own Local Authority. (For example, if you are an Oldham resident you will need to apply via Oldham MBC admissions, for any Tameside School)

The closing date for submitting a Reception 2023 school application is 15 January 2023. (Applications submitted after this date will be processed as a 'late' application)

Please visit <https://www.tameside.gov.uk/admissions> for more information.

DIARY DATES

Thursday 1 December 2022

KS2 trip to Pantomime

Thursday 15 December 2022

Christmas Dinner day

Fri 16 June to Mon 19 June 2023

Year 6 Kingswood residential trip

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Our theme this half term is Compassion.

‘Clothe yourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, gentleness and
patience’

Colossians 3.12

COMMUNITY NEWS

The poster features a dark background with a collage of images. On the right, a man in a red jacket looks upwards. In the center, a woman and a child are visible. At the bottom, a child holds a glowing lantern. The Mossley Town Council logo is in the top right corner.

Mossley Lights Switch On

Micklehurst Green
Friday 25th November - 6-7pm
Father Christmas, music and carols

Top Mossley Market Ground
Saturday 26th November - 4-6pm
Father Christmas, plus music, song and more

Bring your lanterns!

Come and make your lantern at our
FREE drop-in workshops
WORKSHOPS

No need to book but please don't all turn up at once!

FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 3-7PM
Mossley Community Centre, OL5 0SG

SATURDAY NOVEMBER - 20TH 11AM - 3PM
The Vale Arts Centre (Studio 2), OL5 9JL

We will provide all the materials and guidance to make and decorate a pyramid lantern or, for more experienced makers, design and make your own fantastic creation!

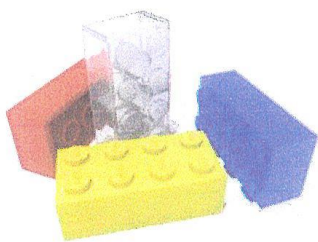
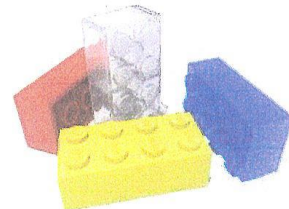
ALLOW MINIMUM ONE HOUR TO MAKE A SIMPLE LANTERN



Mon 12th Dec 2022

Mossley Methodist Church

3.30pm



Come and build, hear stories
and meet new people.

Children must come with an
adult.



MOSSLEY METHODIST CHURCH

A Warm Welcome to Everyone
Every Monday (except 26th December)

9.00am – 12 noon

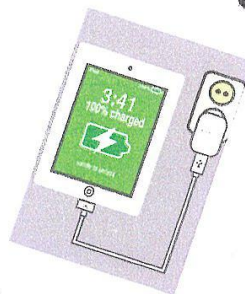


Hot drinks



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charging



children welcome

accessible toilets

Don't sit at home alone!



St John the Baptist Church, Carrhill Road, Mossley

CAROL SERVICE

with St John's Brass Band

on

Sunday 18th December 2022

at 6.30pm

Come and join us!

