



St Maxentius Newsletter

8th October 2021

In this weeks newsletter, we celebrate many of our shared successes and continue to look forward to lots more exciting things. We have already achieved so much this term with pupils getting back into school, working hard and sharing special times with parents. It made us so proud to have year 5 parents in school last week for the class worship about Harvest. We look forward to welcoming year 6 parents into school for the next class worship on Remembrance Day at 2.45pm.

Also, we have a special day on 10th November as the whole school will commemorate Remembrance, with Years 3-6 visiting Bolton Parish Church for a Trust Church Service. On this day, we would like all pupils to dress up for the occasion in wartime outfits. This could be as an evacuee, member of the land army, or even a member of the armed forces.

Mrs N. Patel

Nut Free School

Please remember when making packed lunches that we are a nut-free school. We do have pupils who have significant allergies and, to keep them safe, we ask that items sent from home are nut-free.

Attendance Matters



The average attendance for school last week was **94.56%**.
We are still aiming for a target of 96%.

However, we did have a class with 100% attendance last week,
well done Year 4!

Your child's attendance and punctuality at school is very important and we appreciate your support on this.

Stars of the week

This week's stars of the week are as follows:

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| Year 6 | Daniel - | Perseverance with his maths work. |
| Year 5 | Autumn - | Always doing the right thing and always trying her best. |
| Year 4 | Isabella - | Excellent work in English and Maths. |
| Year 3 | Stevie - | Fantastic positive attitude at all times. |
| Year 2 | Charlie - | Always putting 100% effort into everything he does. |
| Year 1 | Amber - | For a fantastic piece of narrative writing. |
| Reception | Autumn - | For super listening during phonics. |



Time to Read

Last week as a school, we read for 4,733 minutes at home. We continue to promote pupils reading at home to support their life-long enjoyment of reading. They can read whatever interests them, it could be a magazine, newspaper, kindle book or even listen to an audio book. As an incentive, we would like to reward the class with the most improved average by having a non-uniform day in the last week of half term. So, we will announce on Friday 15th October the class with the most improved average and they can then have a non-uniform day in the last week and bring a favourite book to enjoy too.

So, get reading!

For your information, you can see how each class are doing below.



| Year group | Total minutes | Average minutes |
|------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 335 | 22 |
| 2 | 982 | 36 |
| 3 | 404 | 13 |
| 4 | 707 | 32 |
| 5 | 715 | 23 |
| 6 | 1590 | 49 |

Polite Notice

Our neighbours have raised some concerns about parking near school. Please can you ensure you take care when parking and don't block any driveways.



House points

All pupils have now been assigned house teams and they have been earning points for good behaviour in school. Last week the winning team was the blue team!

This is a system that has worked well in the past but we would like to consult the pupils on some new team names. So please talk to your child about potential team names at home. We give house points for good behaviour, team work and displaying excellent qualities of being a pupil at St Maxentius School so you may want to consider famous role models. We will ask pupils for their ideas next week and then take a vote to decide on the winning team names.

Bible Quote this week:

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?" *Matthew 6: 25-34*