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Dear Families,

As we move further into the autumn term, it has been wonderful to see our pupils settling so well into their learning routines, working hard and filling our school with enthusiasm and joy every day.

As Matthew 5:16 reminds us: ***"Let your light shine before others"*** and it is a true delight to see our children letting their lights shine in all that they do. We have a busy and exciting few weeks ahead, so please take a moment to read through the important updates, upcoming key dates, and charity initiatives outlined below.

PE & Uniform Reminders

To keep all our energetic, active sessions completely safe and well-prepared:

- PE Kit: Please note that all families have been provided with a PE kit, which should consist of black bottoms and a plain white t-shirt.
- PE Days: In line with Local Authority (LA) guidance, earrings are strictly not permitted during PE lessons. Taping over earrings is not allowed under any circumstances. Please ensure your child can safely remove their own earrings or leave them at home on PE days.
- Non-PE Days: On non-PE days, small, plain studs are permitted for school.

Supporting Sustainable Travel & Our Neighbours

As many of you know, the local council is proposing exciting street improvements around our community to restrict heavy traffic and make sustainable travel easier and safer for everyone. A heartfelt thank you to all the families who join us in this commitment by walking, scooting, or cycling where possible!

Harvest Service Celebration

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding our Harvest Service, led by Rev. Amy, on Wednesday 14th October at 9:00am.

Children from Years 1 to 6 will be sharing a small contribution during the service, and you are warmly welcome to join us in celebrating!

We are now accepting donations of non-perishable food items to support those in need through a local charity here in Reddish. Please hand any contributions directly into the school office or child's class teacher. As 2 Corinthians 9:7 reminds us: ***"God loves a cheerful giver"*** and we look forward to coming together to support our local community.

Dwarf Sports Charity Awareness & Fundraising

We are very excited to support the Dwarf Sports Association UK (DSAuk), a charity incredibly close to the heart of our St Mary's family. The charity empowers children and adults with restricted growth to participate in accessible sports, building confidence, friendship, and healthy futures.

- Special Assembly (Tuesday 13th October): Children in Years 1 to 6 will attend an assembly led by the charity to raise awareness in an engaging, child-friendly way.

- Wear Green Day (Friday 16th October): We invite all children to come to school wearing green, non-uniform and bring a £1 donation to support this wonderful cause.

Parents' Evening

Our Parents' Evening will take place on Tuesday 20th October (3:30pm – 6:00pm). Booking information and details on how to reserve your appointment slot will be sent out early next week.

Reading and Phonics Parent Morning

We would love for you to join us for our Reading and Phonics Parent Morning on Thursday 22nd October from 9:00am to 10:00am.

This will take place in your child's classroom, giving you a wonderful opportunity to see how reading and phonics are taught and enjoyed in school. You are all very welcome to attend!

Key Dates

- Wednesday 14th October: Harvest Service Years 1 - 6 (9:00am)
- Friday 16th October: Wear Green Day for Dwarf Sports Whole School (£1 donation)
- Tuesday 20th October: Parents' Evening (3:30pm – 6:00pm) — Booking details to follow early next week
- Thursday 22nd October: Reading & Phonics Parent Morning (9:00am – 10:00am)

Thank you so much for your warmth, partnership, and continued support in making St Mary's such a bright and inspiring place to learn.

Warm regards,

Mrs Faryniarz