



# St. Monica's Primary School

## Newsletter 10th November 2023



Dear parents and carers,

It has been lovely to welcome you into school this week, the start of our second half term, so that you can hear how your children have settled in and the progress they are making. November has been a rather wet one so far, but the children have still been able to enjoy the fresh air, and our Kingfisher class have begun their forest school sessions with some impressive learning and creations as part of their art curriculum (photos on social media).

In assembly today the children have been led in a reflection on Remembrance Day, and we have joined together in prayer for peace around the world. I'd like to thank our Year 6s who have been supporting the British Legion in selling poppies and other poppy related items in time for this weekend.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs J Pearson

Always  
&  
Forever



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### Parking and Driving in St Monica's Close

Please can we ask families to drive and park respectfully in St Monica's Close and on Dingleway when dropping or collecting their children. We are so lucky to have our school in a quiet, residential close and wish to maintain good relationships with our neighbours and help protect all children using the side alley cut through from Bridge Lane to our school and High School.

Your support and consideration is greatly appreciated.

### Christmas Fayre - Friday 8th December

It may seem far too early to be using that word (!), but four weeks today will be our annual Friends of St Monica's Christmas Fayre. Please put Friday 8th in your diaries, and rally round your class reps in this lead-up time of preparation. We want to make it the best yet for the children, whilst also raising much needed funds for our lovely school!

### School Photographs

Tempest will be in school on Thursday 16th November to take individual and sibling photographs of your child/children.

### Diocesan Building Fund

Can I strongly encourage you to consider contributing to this cause? The way Catholic schools are funded means that the Diocese has to pay for a portion of all work on school buildings. The school pays an annual amount for this whether we receive parental contributions or not, so any voluntary contributions you can make would be really appreciated.

Over the last few years St Monica's has benefitted from several building projects paid for via the Diocesan Schools Building Fund.

Gift aiding increases the value of your contribution by 25%. If you would like to Gift Aid your contribution please log onto [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/schools-building-fund](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/schools-building-fund) and follow the link or you can make a contribution through your ParentPay account. Any amount you feel happy to offer will be received with thanks.

### Warrington Guardian—Reception Children

We have been informed that the supplement for the Warrington Reception Classes will be included in the edition coming out on Thursday, November 16th.

### Lost Property

Please can we ask that you check that names are still clearly visible on uniform after washing. Our lost property has continued to grow each week this term. Many of the school jumpers, cardigans and P.E. tops have been in the lost property since we started back in September. The lost property is accessible daily in reception. Please take a moment to reclaim any lost clothing.

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### Open Day

Our next Open Day is on Wednesday 15th November. Tours are at 9:30, 11:00 and 1:30. Please do spread the word to friends who may be interested in seeing our lovely school. Thank you.

Discover a school where 'teachers love teaching and pupils love learning' (Ofsted 2020) and children of all backgrounds and abilities are welcome.



**VISIT US ON OUR OPEN DAY  
CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE  
TO CONFIRM YOUR PLACE ON THE TOUR**



FIND OUT MORE

**November 15th 9:30am, 11:00am & 1:30pm**



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### Clubs

All of our clubs will be running next week. Please check the days and times as clearly listed in the green section below on this clubs sheet.

### Autumn Second Half Term Clubs

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>KS2 Young Voices Club</b> Mrs Cornelia <b>CLUB IS FULL</b> <b>Monday Lunchtimes</b> 12.30pm – 1pm		<b>KS1 Pocket Rockets</b> (Limit to 16 children) External Provider £5 per child per session*  <b>Wednesday</b> 3.30pm – 4.30pm	<b>KS2 - Homework Club</b> Mrs Rowland  <b>Thursday Lunchtimes</b> 12.30pm – 1pm	<b>KS2 - Cross Country Club</b> Miss Lambert <b>CLUB IS FULL</b> <b>Friday</b> 3.30pm - 4.45pm
<b>KS1 Lego Building Club</b> (Limit to 16 children) Mrs Rylance  <b>Monday</b> 3.30pm—4.30pm	<b>KS2 – Drama Club</b> Mrs Cornelia <b>CLUB IS FULL</b> <b>Tuesday</b> 3.30pm – 4.30pm <u>NOT 7<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<b>Y5 and Y6 Book Club</b> Miss Williams  <b>Wednesday</b> 12.30pm—1.00pm		
<b>KS2 Junior Choir</b> Mrs Pearson  <b>Thursday</b> 3.30pm - 4.30pm	<b>KS1 Science Club</b> (Limit to 15 children) Miss Butterfield  <b>Tuesday 3.30pm-4.30pm</b> <u>Not 7<sup>th</sup> November</u> <u>Not 12<sup>th</sup> December</u>		<b>KS2 – Christmas Crafts Club</b> £10.00 for all 5 sessions Mrs Rowland  <b>Thursday</b> 3.30pm - 4.30pm <u>NOT 9<sup>th</sup> November</u>	<b>KS1 French Club</b> (Limit to 15 children)  <b>External Provider</b> £6.00 per session*  <b>Friday</b> 3.30pm-4.30pm
November 6 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> , 27 <sup>th</sup>  December 4 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup>	November 14 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup>  December 5 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup>	November 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 29 <sup>th</sup>  December 6 <sup>th</sup>	November 9 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup>  December 7 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup>	November 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup>  December 1 <sup>st</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup>

Please complete the Google Form emailed to you to book your child's place and to provide consent.

\*Clubs run by an outside provider charge a fee which is to be paid directly to them and not via school.

A letter from the providers will be sent home for parents to contact directly.

<b>Parent Evenings</b> Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November <b>Christmas Fayre</b> Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Infant Nativity</b> Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December <b>Drama Club Panto</b> Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December <b>Junior Choir Carol Concert</b> Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December <b>KS1 Christmas Party</b> Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December <b>KS2 Christmas Party</b> Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
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