

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

**Parents' Evenings**

Thanks to everyone who came to our parents evenings this week. It was lovely to see so many of you in school and I hope you found the meetings useful. Nursery parents should receive invites to come into Nursery and spend some time chatting to staff and seeing their children in the Nursery.

**Contacting School and staff**

We have a very open school and we will always do our best to be open in our communication. Teachers will always be available for a quick chat at the beginning and end of days. If you have a more detailed message or request, please do phone the office or email into school using the admin email address:

**stmonicas.admin@trafford.gov.uk** and make it for the attention of either the class teacher or for Headteacher.

Teacher's school email addresses are for internal communication. It is important that they are not used for raising concerns about your child for a couple of reasons. Teachers deserve to be able to deal with issues during their time at school and not in evenings and weekends. Secondly, it is important that if there are concerns raised, that senior staff are able to support with any issues that may require additional assistance and can be made aware through the school admin team. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

**Christmas Fair**

Our annual Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 14th December between 12-3pm. There will be an own clothes day for children on Friday 13th December and there are more details on how you can help in this newsletter. We rely on our PTA fundraising to enhance opportunities for our children. Please do all you can to support.

**Christmas Dates**

Please take note of dates in this newsletter for Christmas dates and events. Only one week to the beginning of advent.

**Remembrance Book**

If you would like a member of your family to be included in our memory book, this will be the final week for submitting photographs or memories into school. Please mark them in an envelope for the attention of Ms Keville.

Take care and see you all through the week,

Mr Doherty



*Headteacher's Awards this week. We have been so excited to have our Reception children with us this week for Friday assembly...*

*Well Done everyone. We are proud of you!*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Reason for Award</u>
22/11/24	RL	Anton	for being ready and respectful. Anton has been working so hard on writing his name and his phonics. He is also the CUTEST little sheep in our nativity!
	RP	Pearl	For being ready and respectful and for working hard in sound group
	1B	Eric	For being kind and always offering to help people.
	1/2F	Ivy	For writing an excellent story about Stickman.
	2CS	River-Raine	For always working hard and always trying her. <input type="checkbox"/>
	3B	Leonardo	For an amazing effort in Maths.
	3/4C	Silva	For super creative writing
	3/4S	Jessica	For super work on Friction.
	5K	Mitchell	For excellent effort in lessons and being a conscientious member of the classroom
	5/6B	Jamil	For always trying his hardest and being an excellent role model
	5/6S	Ethan	For a brilliant attitude in our Maths sessions this week.





*This week's achievements...*



So many out of school achievements this week. We have so many talented children at St. Monica's!



2nd place in the Trafford Sports Hall Athletics event. A brilliant achievement! Well done everyone!



Some dates for your diary (Please keep an eye on these as they will be updated throughout the term)

**Thursday 28th November– Phonics Meeting for Y1 parents/carers (others welcome)  
2.45pm**

**Wednesday 4th December– Whole School Advent Mass at 9.30am**

**Friday 6th December-Santa Dash (Details to follow)**

**W/B 9th December– Bikeability**

**Tuesday 10th December– Reception Nativity 10am and Nursery Nativity 2pm (both in school)**

**Wednesday 11th December– KS1 Nativity at 2pm in Church**

**Thursday 12th December– Christmas jumper/accessory day**

**18th December– Whole school mass at 9.30am**

**18th December– KS2 (Years 3-6) Carols in Church at 2pm (Please note that there is no evening performance this year.)**

**Friday 20th December-Children finish for Christmas Holidays**

**Monday 6th Jan 2025-Return to school-(Please see website for the term dates for the year.)**

**Thursday 6th February-Year 1 and Year 2 trip to Imagine That**

**Friday 14th February 2025– Children finish for half term**

**Term dates for 2025-26 are now available on school website.**

Whole school - 95.29%

Nursery - 96.77%  
RL - 97.73%  
RP - 93.48%

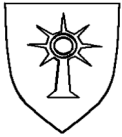
1B - 98.40%  
1/2F - 97.86%  
2CS - 93.10%

3B - 93.79%  
3/4C - 95.67%  
3/4S - 94.67%  
5K - 88.08%  
5/6B - 95.17%  
**5/6S - 98.71%**

#### Attendance

Well done to our Class 5/6S for the highest attendance this week. Great job!

Before the end of term, we will be reviewing individual attendance figures and identifying persistent absence so that we can look to find solutions for this. Clarity has been given to schools on lots of areas in regards to attendance. What is very clear is that holidays during term time are not permitted and schools will have a duty to report to the local authority with fines ensuing. Please do refer to our holiday dates when booking holidays as unauthorized holidays will be reported to the local authority.

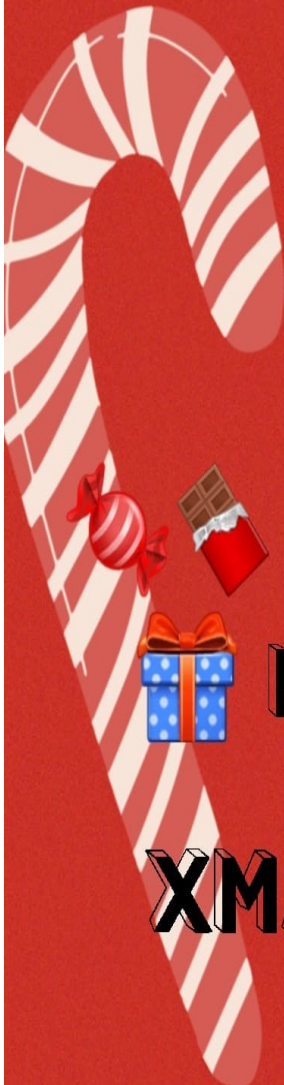


St. Monica's RC Primary School

The child is at the centre of everything we do.

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**WE NEED YOU**



**PRIZES**

**BOTTLES**

**SWEETS CHOCOLATE**



**LADIES & MENS GIFTS**

**XMAS FAIR SAT 14TH DEC**

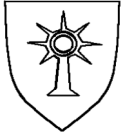
**CAN YOU HELP WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE.**

**PLEASE DROP OFF WITH MRS HILL IN**

**NURSERY OR THE SCHOOL OFFICE.**

**PIC•COLLAGE**





**OWN CLOTHES DAY**  
Friday 13th December

Please support our  
Christmas fair by wearing  
your own clothes.



**Children wearing their own clothes are asked for a donation towards the fair:**

**Nursery and Reception:** 🍭

**Chocolates/sweets (for chocolate tombola)**

**Year 1 and Year 2:** 📺

**Ladies gifts (for gift room)**

**Year 3 and Year 4:** 📺

**Gents gifts (for gift room)**

**Year 5 and Year 6:** 🍷

**Bottles (for bottle tombola, unopened please)**

**We also welcome donations of cakes and good quality toys & books for our stalls.**

**No bric-a-brac thank you.**

**If anyone can volunteer for an hour at the fair, help to set up on Friday afternoon, or if you are able to donate any raffle prizes, please contact**

**Amanda on  
amanda4hill@yahoo.co.uk  
07827 328541.**





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SCHOOLS.**



## Asda Rewards Cashpot for Schools

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**1**

### Download and sign up to the Asda Rewards app

Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select 'Schools in Need'.

**2**

### Shop in store across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com

Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and scan.

**3**

### Asda does the rest

The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

**Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.**

Each school will get an additional £50 added to their Cashpot, after at least one customer has shopped and scanned their Rewards app.



**You have raised £270.46 now for school.  
Thank you so much. Still 8 days to go!**



# Christmas Holiday Club

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
January 2025\*

\*Please check your child's school term dates

**Come and join in the fun with Kids Mix.**

**Planning can be found online at [www.kidsmix2000.co.uk](http://www.kidsmix2000.co.uk)**

Full days from 7.45am-5.45pm.

Half days from 7.45am-1.00pm or 1.00pm-5.45pm.

- ❖ Ages 3-11 years and children from all areas are welcome to attend
- ❖ Lots of crafts, games, toys, computers, books, chill out area and a large outdoor playground!
- ❖ Children can bring their own bike/scooter and helmet
- ❖ 10% discount off 2nd child
- ❖ Childcare vouchers, government tax free scheme or bank transfer accepted
- ❖ Ofsted registered

Early booking advised. Any questions or to book please phone/text Kirsty/Sue  
07720053617 or email [enquiries@kidsmix2000.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@kidsmix2000.co.uk)

Address: English Martyrs Primary school, Wycliffe Road, Urmston, M41 5AH



Winter 2024/2025

# Newsletter

FREE  
until  
JAN 25



## Understanding the Teenage Brain

Watch this recorded session in your own time, to learn why our teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

Thursday  
5th Dec  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



## Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday  
17th Dec  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



## Facing Defiance

Effective interventions for handling defiant behaviour. ADHD, ODD and PDA relevant as well as regular challenging behaviour. Introduction to the FACE programme - Facing Defiance - 6 week course

Tuesday  
7th Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



## Anxiety-Based School Avoidance

Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

Thursday  
9 Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



## AUTISM:

### Improving Communication

Looking at how small changes in how we communicate with children on the spectrum can lead to big improvements.



# PARENTS & GUARDIANS

## A MESSAGE FROM GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE

In the run up to Christmas we know that some of you may be turning to online shopping to purchase your children's presents.

**WARNING** – We are aware that fraudsters are targeting this area and want to ensure our community is protected. We are working hard to bring to justice those responsible. Please see our tips for staying safe online.

Have you been offered a highly discounted or considerably cheaper product compared to the original items worth?

**STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD**

The website you are purchasing from was only launched days/ weeks ago?

**STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD**

You're asked to pay by bank transfer instead of using the online platform's secure payment options.

**STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD**

A sense of urgency is placed on ordering the product or service so that you don't miss the price/deal.

**STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD**

You receive a fake email receipt/invoice that appears to be from the website you've purchased from or the payment service used to make your purchase. The email address domain doesn't match that of the genuine senders.

**STOP - THIS COULD BE FRAUD**



TO STOP FRAUD

**ActionFraud**

Report Fraud & Internet Crime

[actionfraud.police.uk](https://actionfraud.police.uk)

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