



St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2022



Thursday 10th November 2022

ARMISTICE DAY REMEMBRANCE 2022

Tomorrow we will commemorate Armistice Day by observing two minutes' silence in school.



ODD SOCKS & ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2022



We are fortunate to have very few incidents of bullying at St Richard's. Some of the reasons for this are our emphasis on being part of a kind and diverse community - and our staff's pro-active approach to dealing with unkind words and actions. With this in mind, we will be taking a full part in Anti-Bullying Week next week. To help symbolize the fact that all our differences are a strength and a source of celebration, the children at St

Richard's are invited to wear odd socks (or colourful/patterned tights) on Monday 14th November ... and for the rest of the week if they want to!

AUTUMN TERM PARENTS EVENING 2022

We are holding a whole school virtual Parents Evening on Tuesday 22nd November 2022, with appointments available from 1.15pm – 3.15pm and from 4pm to 6pm. It is important that you make an appointment so that your child's class teacher can let you know how they are doing in school. All appointments will last 5 minutes. We will again be using the easy to use online software called 'School Cloud' for both the appointment booking system and the 5-minute video appointments with your child's class teacher. This works with mobile phones as well as laptops, PCs and tablets. You will be able to choose your own appointment times with teachers and you will receive an email confirming your appointment(s).

Your child should have brought home a letter last week with a reminder of which class they are in and which teacher you must make your appointment with.

Please visit <https://strichardsrc.schoolcloud.co.uk/> to book your appointments. The appointment booking window will open at 4pm on Monday 14th November and will remain open until 4pm on Friday 18th November. Changes to appointments or new appointment requests will not be possible after this date.

Please watch the parents' video guide at:

<https://support.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/article/801-video-parents-how-to-attend-appointments-over-video-call>

This is only 7 minutes long but does provide you with all the information that you need to have a successful virtual parents evening.

On Tuesday 22nd November, please make sure that **YOU** start the call to your child's teacher by logging into <https://strichardsrc.schoolcloud.co.uk/> and pressing the 'start appointment' button shortly before your appointment time and then waiting for you teacher to connect.

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 25th NOVEMBER

This is a reminder that St Richard's will be closed to all pupils all day on Friday 25th November as this is a staff INSET day.

WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

National Online Safety (NOS) have created free online safety guides for schools to share with parents and carers. This campaign is called '#WakeUp Wednesday'. Please click [here](#) to read this week's parent guide, which is all about **FIFA 23**

WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

This week's edition of the Wednesday Word is available by visiting <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/faithfulness?pid=MTA101634&v=74.6> and this week's Wednesday Word is **FAITHFULNESS**

MANCHESTER SAFEGUARDING PARTNERSHIP

Please consider the following invitation from MCC's Safeguarding Partnership for parents to attend a webinar about keeping children safe online: *Join our Online Safety Parent Workshop with child safety specialist Katherine Howard on Monday 14th November from 6.30-7.30pm. Learn more about how to keep your child safe in their online world. Katherine will also introduce you to free online resources and our parental control app. Click the link to join the webinar* <https://tinyurl.com/3vs4ye43>

APPLYING FOR A PLACE IN RECEPTION FOR 2023

The closing date for applying for a Reception place for your child for a September 2023 start is Monday 16th January 2023. Please note: a place in our Nursery does not guarantee a place in Reception. It is **vital** that you get your application in on time. Please visit:

https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500321/primary_school_admissions/7264/apply_for_a_reception_class_place_for_september_2023/4

HELP WITH THE COST OF LIVING

Manchester City Council has a dedicated Cost of Living Advice Line: 0800 023 2692. This is a free phone number and it is open 9:00am - 4:30pm Monday to Friday to provide:

- Support with benefits and help with rent
- Advice about debt and paying bills
- Food support (residents will receive a call back to understand their needs and connected into a local food offer)
- Help to get online

Your child should have brought home a paper copy of the leaflet below with more detailed information about free advice and events running in the local area:

Worried about winter?

Come along to:

Levenshulme Inspire Centre
747 Stockport Road, Manchester, M19 3AR

Friday 11th November, 1:00PM - 7:00PM

Get free advice on energy, benefits, housing, debt, employment, skills, training and more

whilst enjoying a free brew!

Covid vaccinations will be available on the day, no appointment required

Call Manchester's FREE Cost of Living Advice Line
0800 023 2692

Open Monday to Friday, 9am - 4.30pm
Text us 07860 028 876 - [manchester.gov.uk/costadvice](https://www.manchester.gov.uk/costadvice)

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With many thanks for your continuing support,

Mr J Murray

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