



# St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2024



Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024

The mission of St Richard's is that we know, love and follow Christ by looking after each other and trying our best every day.



## ARMISTICE DAY OBSERVANCE

November is the month of remembrance. On Monday this week, at 11am, the whole school stopped for an impeccably observed two-minute silence, as we remembered all those who sacrificed so much in both world wars and in conflicts between as well as since then.

## MARK 10 MISSION VISIT TO SCHOOL

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November, we had a very special guest in school. Greg Finn, the founder of The Mark 10 Mission, visited us and spent all day helping us to think about and then plan and prepare the most meaningful encounters possible with Jesus through our prayers and celebrations of the Word. It was a really wonderful and prayerful day and we all gained lots from it.



## WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

The link below is to this week's edition of the Wednesday Word. This contains the Good News of the Gospel for this coming Sunday. Please continue to read and discuss the Wednesday Word every week as a family by visiting: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/faithfulness?pid=MTA101634&p=2&v=154.3>  
This Wednesday's Word is **FAITHFULNESS**

## ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2024

Anti-Bullying Week 2024 has been taking place all this week at St Richard's, with the theme 'Choose Respect'. Nationally, Odd Socks Day took place on Tuesday 12th November but, at St Richard's, we have encouraged children (and staff) to wear odd socks all week in order to remind us and to celebrate what makes us all unique.



## ASDA REWARDS CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who are making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. All you have to do is opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between now and 30th November 2024. Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to St Richard's. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot – and it doesn't stop there: Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started. As a school we are registered for the ASDA Rewards scheme. Please have a look at: <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>

## NON-UNIFORM FOR PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR 2024

Our Parish Christmas Fair will take place on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024 at St Mary's Parish Centre, Elbow St, Manchester M19 3PY, starting at 12 noon. Please make a note in your diary and please make every effort to attend and support the parish - both socially and in its fund-raising efforts. Staff and pupils from St Richard's RC Primary School will be running the Chocolate Tombola at the fair. We would very much appreciate donations of chocolate (any size from a small bar to a large box). Children should bring these to school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November, when we will be having a non-uniform day in return for chocolate donations.

## APPLICATIONS FOR A RECEPTION CLASS PLACE FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

Manchester City Council's online application portal is now open. The deadline for submitting an on-time application is **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**. Our school office staff can help parents who may be experiencing difficulties with submitting their applications online. Please phone school to make an appointment if you require this. Please follow this link to make an online application: [Apply for a Reception class place for September 2025](#)

## CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES

Below are details of the final class assembly before Christmas. Parents are very welcome to attend this class assembly.

Date	Class assembly for:
9am on Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Class 8

## SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER

This is a reminder that St Richard's RC Primary School will be closed to all pupils all day on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November as this is a staff INSET day.

## AUTUMN TERM PARENTS EVENING DATES

Autumn Term 2024 Parents Evenings will take place next week, Monday 18th and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024. 5-minute appointment times are available between 1.15pm and 6pm. These will be face-to-face meetings in school with your child's class teacher. School Cloud will again be used – but only for booking the appointments. Mrs Fildes' Nursery Parents Evening will take place on Monday 18th November from 1.15pm – 6pm. So will Reception 1, Reception 2, Class 1, Class 2, Class 4, Class 7 and Class 8.

Mrs Looms' Nursery Parents Evening will take place on Tuesday 19th November from 1.15pm – 6pm. So will Class 5, Class 6, Class 9, Class 10, Class 11, Class 12 and Class 13 Parents Evenings.

No children should attend the evening sessions, as we will not have a crèche facility in operation. Full details were sent out on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November in a separate letter. **The booking system closes at 4pm tomorrow.**

With many thanks for your continuing support

*Mr J Murray*

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St Richard's RC Primary School