

# Newsletter

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St Charles' have been highly commended for their provision of school sports - both in school and extra-curricular. Lucas and Izzy proudly show our certificate and Trophy which is on show in the Trophy cabinet for all to see.

ST CHARLES' BOYS WEAR THE FOOTBALL KIT WITH GREAT PRIDE AND DO US PROUD!



Mr Gavin and Mr Gibson are doing a great job in leading our Football teams to victory. The boys are getting better each game and are at the top of the table in the Hyndburn Schools Football League. We thank Mr Gavin and Mr Gibson for their great coaching! Keep it up boys!

This half-term, our local history topic has focused on the centenary year for the start of World War One. Our learning culminated with a creative week during which lots of different activities took place. Years 4, 5 and 6 participated in special workshops at Rishton Library led by the Hyndburn Community History Team. They found out how to use the Census and War Grave Records online, looked at contemporary local newspapers and studied old maps to trace the history of Private George Stuttard who joined up with the Accrington Pals.



*Years 3 & 4 visited the World War 1 display curated by Eric Nolan at BBC Radio Lancashire and some were interviewed on live radio!*

Years 5 & 6 took part in workshops at the Imperial War Museum in Manchester followed by watching the award winning play 'War Horse'. The Infants and Years 3 & 4 enjoyed 'History Alive' sessions with Debbie Ashby, dressing up in costumes from the era and testing their physical agility with a trench-themed activities. We are very grateful to the Hugh and Catherine Stevenson Trust for funding the theatre tickets and 'History Alive'.



A huge thank you to all parents and grandparents who have helped with our 'hands-on' homework. The children have been very enthusiastic and we have had lots of positive feedback from adults. A local history morning at Rishton Library is taking place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30am-12noon. Some children's research will be on display and experts available to show you how to trace family members and find out about WW1 memorabilia you may have. All generations welcome!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

03 Nov - School opens 08:55am  
 04 Nov - Feast of St Charles Borromeo,  
 School mass 2:30 pm. All welcome.  
 2 Nov - Family Mass 10:00 am (choir)  
 8 Nov - Family Mass 05:45 pm (band)  
 11 Nov - Parents Evening 4 - 7:30pm  
 14 Nov - PTFA non uniform day - £1  
 Nov - Sportshall Athletics Y3/Y4 1-3pm  
 19 Nov - Open Afternoon for Prospective  
 Parents 2 - 2.30pm

**PARKING** - There are one or two drivers who are pausing to drop off children on the zig zag lines outside school. It only takes a moment to knock a child over and we would ask everyone to let family members know that from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday, the zig zag areas must be kept free from cars - even just for a few seconds. Thank you for looking after our children.



The first 'Big Draw' at St Charles' was a great success with lots of families enjoying creative activities including making a giant doodle for the Juniors' Yard. Thank you to all the volunteers for making this possible and the Kitchen Staff for providing Tuesday Tea.

### 2015 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Thanks to the 24 parents that responded to the consultation. Two weeks in October was favoured overall - details to follow shortly...



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The children's Bake Sale at our first family Masses have made £52.00! Thank you to all the children who have helped with reading, bidding prayers, the offertory and the collection. The band continue from strength to strength and the first performance by the Junior Choir received lots of compliments. A big thank you from Father Martin to all the volunteers who are making this possible.



Family masses in November are on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 10am and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 5.45pm. All very welcome and more volunteers needed. Please let the office know if you can help.

The Sacramental Programme has started with the children taking part in Confirmation, Reconciliation and Holy Communion presenting themselves at the Family Mass on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Please make sure you bring your attendance card for Father Martin or the Catechists to sign. The next Mass takes place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November when members of the parish will commit to praying for each child.



ZUMBA is the up and coming trend at St Charles' this Year, with children enthusiastically joining in the before school wake up shake up. Friday Lunchtimes also sees a large number of children keeping fit and learning new moves on the junior yard!

### After School Clubs

Day	Club	Adults
Mon	Junior choir Multi Sports Y1/Y2	Mrs Magee / Miss Passerini. Miss Gavin/Mrs Fenton
Tues	Tuesday tea Football	Mrs Chatburn Mr Gavin
Wed	Band from 12 Nov	Mrs Baker
Thurs	Newspaper club Computing Drama	Miss Brown Mr Kennedy Mr Walsh
Fri	Cookery Club (Y3)	Miss Madera