

St Sebastian's R.C. Primary School Douglas Green Salford M6 6ET

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Dear parents and guardians,

Thank you

Certificates – Congratulations to Zahra, Alassana, Alexandra, Hiyab, Adunola, McAuley, Grace and Chloe who received a Gospel Values award last week and to Chin, Robe, Lamek, Max, Eliot, Olivia, Wiktoria and Brkti who received a Gospel Values award this week. Congratulations to Steller, Theo. D, Anthony, Jayden. M, Adrienne, Jackson, Nathan and Christina who received a Catholic Social Teaching award last week and to Naod, Arlo, Armando, Bonnie, Betty, Elsie, Peter and Selina who received a Catholic Social Teaching award this week.

**ParentKind/Asda rewards** – Thank you to everyone who donated on the Asda Rewards app. We raised £146.56.

**Job opportunity** – We have a vacancy for a lunchtime Welfare Assistant. Further details about the role and how to apply, can be found on the school website here.

**NSPCC Number Day** – Please remember that children can come to school in clothes that represent numbers or have numbers on them for Number Day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February. We are suggesting a donation of £2 per child to the NSPCC charity.

**Mental health support** - Are you worried about yours or someone else's mental health and well-being? Find out more here: <u>Mental health and wellbeing</u> (<u>Partners in Salford</u>)

**Parking** – We have some new parking signs on each side of the building. Please do not park (or stop to drop off) on the pavements on Douglas Green or on the yellow hashes on Norfolk St. Those spaces should be kept clear for the safety of our children.

## Attendance Bulletin

Whole School Attendance for last week 93.38%		Attendance Award Winners  Year 2 99%	
Nursery 87.6%	Year 1 95.48%	Year 3 94.33%	Year 5 90.67%
Reception 88.62%	Year 2 99%	Year 4 93.67%	Year 6 96.55%

We aim for **96%** attendance each week so the whole school attendance for this week is disappointing. Please remember to notify the office if your child is unable to attend school because of illness.

**Breakfast Club** – Please can you book Breakfast Club in advance. When you arrive at the school gate for Breakfast Club please phone *07706 580 001* to alert staff that you have arrived. Staff will only open the school gate if they can see you waiting. May we remind you

that the entrance to Breakfast Club is the playground gate on Norfolk Street, not the main office, which is unstaffed until 8.15am.

**Homework Club** – Homework Club bookings are available via the School Spider app. We were almost at capacity for Homework Club so please book in advance to ensure your child has a place.

Late arrivals – our school day begins at 8.45am. There are still a significant number of late arrivals and this has a huge impact on your child's education and wellbeing. When your child is late, they miss vital learning. Please ensure that your child is in school by 8.45am; aim for 8.40am when the school gate opens. If your child is late, you must accompany your child to the office and log the reason.

## Dates for this term:

Fri 7 Feb – NSPCC Number Day
Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb – Poet Ian Bland in school, new library opened
Mon 17 Feb – Paralympian visitor in school
Tue 18 Feb – printing workshops Y3/4
Thur 20 Feb – printing workshops Y5/6
Fri 21 Feb – school closed for staff training

With love and prayers,

Mrs Doyle

'Do everything in love.' 1 Corinthians 16:14

## **Meet the Team**



Mrs C. Skeffington, Teaching Assistant by Delina, Y2

How long have you worked at our school?

This is my tenth year and I did a year of some volunteering before that.

Why did you choose to work at our school?

My children both came here so I knew the staff and a bit about the school and I liked the family feel of the school.

If you had £10,000 to spend in school, what would you spend the money on?

I would have said a library but that's just been done! Books, books and more books! I would also like some more outside equipment and soft flooring in the KS2 yard for children to practise their gymnastics.

What book are you reading at the moment?

I'm currently reading a book called We Begin at the end by Chris Whitaker, it's the 2nd of his books I've read so far, they are beautifully written. What are your hobbies?

My hobbies are reading and walking.

What is your favourite children's book?

It's hard to choose one but I did enjoy The Final Year, I liked the link to Skellig.

If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go?

I'd like to go to Egypt and Rome for the sights and a Caribbean island for some sun.