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Dear Parents and Carers,

Careers Day

A whole host of different professionals visited St Monica's for Careers Day on Tuesday. We had a fantastic selection of visitors: firefighters, dental nurses, builders and construction workers, sign language teachers, personal trainers, lawyers, telecoms engineers and many more.

It was a fascinating day for the children, who were inspired by the visitors and asked very interesting questions. The day gave all children the chance to think about their own career path and how they can: dream then achieve. It is never too early for children to start to think about their futures and the endless possibilities.



A huge thank you to all who visited St Monica's to speak with our children.

"We had a great day on Tuesday. We had a banker and a Trade Union representative. I learnt that Mrs. Pearson works in a department that can , receive 2,500 calls in just two hours across the UK. She has to think fast and make good decisions. I also learnt that Mrs. Doolin helps to protect people's rights as part of a trade union. Both of these amazing people

have inspired me to think about my future. I love the fact there are so many paths to follow if I work hard enough.” - JS, Year 5

Extreme Read Competition for World Book Day - Winners

World Book Day really inspired reading across the school, and our Extreme Read competition showed the creative power of reading here at St Monica’s. We had over 40 entries, and choosing between them was very difficult for staff. In the end, we selected the following three winners:



Each winner will receive a £20 Amazon gift voucher on Monday: congratulations to all winners. We really enjoyed looking at the range of entries - thanks to all who entered.

Year One Trip to the Museum

This week, our Year One pupils embarked on an exciting journey through history and nature with two museum visits.

At the World Museum, our pupils explored a stunning collection of African masks, admiring the vibrant colors and intricate designs that told stories of ceremonies and traditions. They then explored the Arctic, discovering frozen

landscapes and the animals that call it home, such as polar bears and arctic foxes. Their adventure continued on the African plains, where they encountered lions, giraffes, and elephants, exploring how these animals thrive in their unique habitat. Finally, they "dived" into the colorful world of coral reefs—our pupils particularly enjoyed seeing the clownfish in action. We are so lucky to have the World Museum on our doorstep, what a great day out it is.

Next stop was the Museum of Liverpool on the waterfront, where our pupils explored the history of toys in a workshop, sorting them by age and material—wood, metal, plastic, and fabric—to see how toys have evolved over time. The highlight was playing with old-fashioned toys like spinning tops and wooden cars, which they thoroughly enjoyed, comparing them to modern toys.

Year 3 Easter Pageant - Friday 4th April



Each year, our Year 3 children celebrate Easter with a wonderful Easter Pageant in St Monica's Church.

The service is a real celebration of Easter, with dancing, acting, and singing. Our pupils are diligently preparing for this event as we speak -

it is going to be brilliant.

Year 3 parents and carers are invited. The event will be live-streamed and will start at 9:45 am on Friday, 4th April (our final day of term). The service should last approximately 40 minutes.

Community Walk and Talk in Derby Park, April 8th at 11am

A community event is being organised by 'In It Together' in Derby Park on April 8th at 11am. The aim is to celebrate our local community and bring people closer together. For more information, click [here](#).

Sports Update

Our Y1 and Y2 football teams went to Goals to compete in the 'Everton Football Club and South Sefton Schools Tournament' this week. It was a lovely afternoon full of excitement and goals. Both teams were runners up in the tournament, losing out by very small margins. All pupils represented St Monica's with distinction and it is only a matter of time before they bring a trophy home.



Today, our Y6 boys team went to the second meeting of the Liverpool Schools League. They sported brand new kits, picked up this morning and sponsored by [Kindec's Ltd](#), who have kindly bought our school 20 fantastic new football kits. The boys won all 4 of their matches, so are still undefeated in League so far this year. What a great team, and thank you for the extra coaching given to our players by Mr McConville.



Polite Notices

Please note that lip balms can only be brought into school if a pupil has a medical prescription and they are stored in the office.

There have been multiple instances of electric scooters being brought into school this —only push scooters are permitted to be kept on school property.

Weekly Attendance

We have had another great week here in St Monica's, with 96.35% overall. The winning class is... Mrs Reardon's class with 99.36%

Finally, can I say thank you to Nora in Year 1, who lit up our St Patrick's Day assembly with a virtuoso display of Irish dancing.

Have a great weekend one and all.

Best Regards,

Mr. James Gouldbourne

Headteacher

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