



# St Margaret's Academy

## Snippets

14th June 2019

### Curtain Comes Down on Hairspray!

Huge congratulations to all of the young people and staff who were involved in the school show this year. A fantastic performance by all and a huge credit to the school. Well done everyone!



### 3 in a row! St Margaret's Academy crowned WL school sports league champions once again

After a fiercely fought league, St Margaret's Academy retained their title of School Sports League Champions for session 2018/19. The monumental effort by all the staff and young people involved ensured that the school were represented in all 45 of the West Lothian sports competitions over the past year. Congratulations to everyone involved and time for a well deserved rest.



### School Transport applications -

School Transport Applications

Only children who are going into S1, S5 & S6 require to apply. All other children who have school transport Passes should keep them for use next year. Please see the following link for further information: <https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/article/10045/Free-School-Transport-Application-Form>



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### Malawi Trip 2019

On the morning of 18th of June a group of forty, made up of pupils teachers and volunteers will leave the school to begin the 6000 mile journey to Malawi. This will be the fourth trip from the school since 2013. Each time a group have worked with a small community on a building a refurbishment project. This time our group will be travelling to Ntondoko, a small village in rural Blantyre – working with the people of the village and a team of Malawian builders to refurbish two classrooms and build two new classrooms.

Over the last two years the group have been raising funds, collecting gifts and planning the trip with the Glasgow based charity "Classrooms for Malawi" and Orbis Travel.

With the support of the cluster parishes, primary schools, family and friends an amazing sum of just over £24000 has been raised to meet the cost of the materials and building cost. In addition to this, and with support from many of the same groups around 50 of our 120 suitcases we are taking are filled with gifts for those in need.

As well as doing the building work we will be making a visit to a fair trade tea plantation, an orphanage and going out on safari.

Although we go there with our gifts and support, from experience those who have travelled before know that that each member of the group will come back having received so much more in return.

Follow our journey

Facebook – St Margaret's for Malawi 2019

Instagram – stmargaretsformalawi

Twitter – SMA Malawi 2019

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### Final farewell at the S6 prom

Our Class of 2019 attended a great reception this evening at the Academy before heading to MacDonald Houston House for the Prom. All our best wishes and good luck, Class of 2019!



### EID celebration

Ramadan is either 30 or 29 days depending on the lunar calendar. Eid is the 3 day celebration we have after it. We fast during Ramadan so that we learn about patience and Eid is the way we show that we have achieved it. In the youth club in the school, we had the opportunity to celebrate Eid and we were able to show our culture to other pupils. We ate lots of different food and cake and has a great celebration! Khaled, S1



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### New S6 Induction

The new S6 successfully completed an active Induction Week which included First Aid training, Interview Skills training, a bonding excursion to Millport and a BBQ which concluded with a mass spontaneous dance -a- long. The class of 2020 have already demonstrated great spirit and commitment to the ethos and values of our school community. Most importantly, they deserve a relaxing break after their valiant endeavours during the recent examinations.

Enjoy the summer S6 and continue the wonderful inclusive enthusiasm that you have established already.

Mr Bennett



### Fr Simon Says...

I thought I would give you an insight into the tannoy announcements that Fr Simon delivers on a regular basis in the school!

Good afternoon everybody. As I'm one of the group going to Malawi tomorrow, I won't be here at the end of the term and when I do get back you'll all be on holiday. Holiday! Hooray say the teachers. If you are going to the sun don't forget your sunscreen. If you're staying in Scotland I'd just buy an Umbrella. Have a lovely Summer. Who loves you Baby (God and me).

### Scotland call for Callum



Congratulation to Callum, S6 who has received a call up to the U16 Scotland basketball squad. Callum was also voted most valuable player recently by his club, West Lothian Wolves. if you would like to get involved in basketball then speak to Callum directly or the PE dept. <https://www.westlothianwolves.com/> Good luck Callum!

### YPI competition

YPI stands for youth philanthropy initiative and as a year group everyone at St Margaret's took part in this competition as part of the S2 RE course, we split into groups of 3/4/5 within our classes and was given a charity to focus on and learn about, our charity was the memory cafe which is a small voluntary company which is part of Alzheimer's Scotland.

The café is based in Knightsridge and is almost fully voluntary based, they focus on men and women with dementia at all ages and have dedicated days and events to help raise awareness of dementia and raise money to fund the café and new ways to find research for the cause, they also have a 24/7 helpline for anyone to contact and they have many helpful ways for families who have contact with people with dementia, one of those is purple alert, purple alert is an app for people who have relatives who have dementia so if they go missing in public you can have a profile for the person and all you need to do is click a button and everyone who has the app will get a notification and you can look out for them then if you find them you can get the loved one know, one other thing is dementia friends, that is a free interactive and informative training course which will help you understand people with dementia, if may be something you are interested in!

Because we won we were given £3000 pounds for the memory café, the way we won it was by doing a short role play of someone having dementia, there was a carer, sister, 2 support workers and , and swayed the judges our way, we are very happy for winning and hope the café are very happy with their donation!!! By Charlie, Rachael, Aidan, Amira and Igor



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### Pupil Bulletin

11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

#### General

##### Royal Highland Show - 20 June

We've had a great response to this trip. Our 60 places have now been filled and the list of pupils with a place is displayed outside the H&T base. **If your name is not on the list you will be kept on the reserve list.** Please note your place is dependent on payment being made for the trip. Parents/carers are now being asked to make the payment of £8 via ipayimpact. Please see Mrs Thomson if you have any payment issues.

##### Ski Trip Information Evening

Mr Bradley and Mr Haynes are hosting an information evening for the parents/guardians and the pupils going on the Italy 2020 ski trip. The meeting is next Tuesday (18<sup>th</sup>) June at 6:30pm in the Cafe. If you cannot attend the meeting please speak to Mr Bradley/Mr Haynes.

##### Naples Trip 2019

A reminder to all pupils on the trip that the final balance is due by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Each pupil also needs to provide me with their passport prior to finishing for the end of term.

##### Equalities Club

Meetings of the Equalities club have been suspended until an area of the school has been designated for more regular use. This area should offer a safe space for students. Keep an eye on the bulletin for more information. If you want to know more about this, or just the Equalities club in general, come and speak to Miss Morton in U16.

##### Water Coolers

The new mains fed water coolers are finally installed in the atrium and PE department. In anticipation of warm weather please ensure you bring an empty water bottle to school. In order to reduce the amount of plastic waste, there will be no more plastic cups available from the school office.

##### School Canteen

Students are reminded not to take plated food out of the Atrium. Please take a seat while you eat and place all rubbish in the bins provided. Thank you.

##### Late Pupils

Please sign in with Mrs Whitelaw U7 Library Office, when you arrive late into school. If you are late due to the school bus please indicate this when you sign in. Thank you.

### Bus Tickets

Bus tickets should be purchased from the School Office at break and lunch time only. The cost of a 10 journey ticket is £6.73, please try to bring the exact money with you to the School Office.

### School Tie Return

If you have borrowed a tie from the School Office could you please ensure that it is returned by the end of the day.

### Weekly Mass

Just a reminder that Mass takes place every Thursday morning at 8.15am in the Oratory.

### Procedure for Leaving School for Appointments/Sent Home from Sick Room

If you have to leave the school premises for any reason e.g. medical appointment, sent home from sick room please remember to sign yourself out on the black folder at the school office window.

### Lidl

Pupils should be reminded to remain on school grounds during break and lunch time. Please advise pupils that they will no longer be served at Lidl during these times.

### Lost Property

Please be reminded that the lost property basket is located outside the Janitors Office. If you have lost any items of clothing etc. please check this basket in the first instance.

### Extra-Curricular Timetable

Please see attached sheet for details.

### **S1 – S3**

### **S4 – S6**

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## ST PHILIP'S

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East Calder  
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### Pastoral Team:

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### SVDP Contact Numbers:

St Andrew's & St Theresa's: 07342 793611

St Peter's: 07796 662264

St Philip's: 07502 031701

## SUNDAY 16 JUNE 2019

### Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity - Year C

The Gospel today stresses the role of the Spirit.

The Spirit carried on in the Church the work of Jesus after Jesus departed to the Father.

There will be no new revelation. There can't be because Jesus is *the* revelation of the Father. The role of the Spirit will be to guide the disciples into the full meaning of what Jesus has said.



### Confession:

St Andrew's: Sat 9am & 4.30pm

St Peter's: Sat 10am

St Philip's: Sat 9am

St Theresa's: Sun after 11.30am

### Adoration:

St Andrew's: Tue 10am to 11am

Thu 7pm to 8pm

Sat 4.30pm to 5pm

St Peter's: Sat 10am to 10.30am

St Philip's: Sat 9am to 9.15am

### Morning Prayer:

St Philip's: Tue, Thu & Sat

9.15am

### Parish office opening hours:

Mon, Tue, Wed & Thu

9.30am to 12.30pm

## Shared News ...

**First Holy Communion:** Congratulations to all the children who made First Holy Communion recently. We look forward to them taking part in parish life. Altar serving is a great way for children to be involved. If your child is interested, please speak to your parish priest.

**PPC:** The next meeting will be on Thursday 20 June at 7.00pm in St Margaret's Academy.

**Date for your Diary:** Mass of Thanksgiving for St Andrew's parish Golden Jubilee will take place on Sunday 24 May 2020 at 3.00pm.

**Almost New Wheelchair:** One of our parishioners has an almost new wheelchair if anyone would like it, free of charge. If interested, please contact Tom (Tel: 07488 384 009).

**Next Sunday's Readings (23.06.19):** Genesis 14:18-20; Psalm 109; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 9:11-17.

**Recently Deceased:** Peter Grennan, Colin Birrell, Susan Peden **Anniversaries (June):** Ethan Hughes, Andrew Graham

### ST PETER'S ...

**Loan to Archdiocese:** I am delighted to let you know that I have sent another cheque for £4,000 to the Archdiocese this week which means the loan figure is now down to £20,000. I have been able to do this because of last years Gift Aid returns. It really is worthwhile, if you are a tax payer, signing up to contribute to parish finances by Gift Aid.

**Weekday Masses:** Over the next three weeks there will be no weekday Mass at St Peter's and no sacrament of Reconciliation. This is while Fr Simon is in Malawi with the St Margaret's Academy school group. Over the three weeks, the telephone will be diverted to the parish office. Fr Kenneth will be available for any pastoral support that's needed.

**Knit & Natter Group:** Will meet on Wednesday at 12.30pm.

**Last Sunday's Collection:** £1,049.42; **Church Stall:** £85.40

### ST ANDREW'S ...

**Fairtrade:** There will be a stall next weekend, 22 & 23 June, after Masses. Please note there will be no stall in July.

**2020:** As part of the lead up to our 2020 celebrations, we will have Holy Hour at 7.00pm on Thursday 27 June.

**Foodbank Sunday Teas:** Are any Foodbank volunteers available to do the slot on Sunday 30 June? Please let Mary Taylor know if you can help.

**Sunday Teas:** At present, there are two free slots on the Sunday Tea rota after 11.30am Mass. Would it be possible to get together 6-8 people to cover these two Sunday's? This would be a great way to raise funds for St Andrew's to reduce the debt and prepare for the 2020 celebrations. Four people have already volunteered. We can also take donations of baking, soup, etc for these slots. If you can help in any way, please speak to Fr Kenneth.

**Last Sunday's Collection:** £872.58; **Building Fund:** £201.02; **Church Stall:** £105.80; **SCIAF:** £924.04; **200 Club:** No 77 & No 141; **Sanctuary Candle:** Wedding Anniversary



## ST THERESA'S...

### Last Sunday's Collection:

£437.09; **SCIAF:** £730.28;

**Bonus Ball Winner:** No 43

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## ST PHILIP'S ...

**Coffee Bar:** Before the kitchen was closed, the coffee bar takings were First Communion Breakfast - £100 Kevin's Malawi Project and £50 St Margaret's Academy Malawi trip.

### Last Sunday's Collection:

TBC; **SCIAF:** £1,148.45;

**200 Club:** TBC; **Sanctuary**

**Candle:** TBC



## Some 'factoids' about RCIA ...

The letters stand for **R**ite of **C**hristian Initiation of **A**dults

It is how adults are initiated into the Faith of the Roman Catholic Church

It's also a way for those who are already members of the Church to be refreshed and renewed in Faith

It was part of the renewal of the life of the Church from the **Second Vatican Council**

RCIA introduces people into a relationship with the Lord Jesus and the Church, and helps form us as disciples of the Lord

It is not some kind of 'night class' ... but it is a weekly evening commitment (and this year will be held at St. Peter's)

There is no exam at the end ...

... but there are things called '**Scrutinies**' (during Lent) which are intensely focussed prayers for those who want to become members of the Church

RCIA is not primarily about learning 'stuff' or information although a lot of time is spent looking at Biblical texts, praying, reflecting and learning all sorts of useful 'stuff' about what Catholics believe and do!

Every RCIA is a unique and wonderful experience of friendship and faith

**Interested? Watch the Newsletter for the start date in August/September (or call Karen in the Parish Office)**



WIADOMOŚCI POLSKIEJ WSPÓLNOTY W LIVINSTON



Drodzy – w niedzielę Trójcy Przenajświętszej wołamy: *Jak jest przedziwne imię Twoje, Panie. Od Pawła słyszymy: miłość Boża rozlana jest w sercach naszych przez Ducha Świętego, który został nam dany. A w aklamacji usłyszeliśmy pochwałę Trójcy Świętej: Chwała Ojcu i Synowi, i Duchowi Świętemu, Bogu, który jest i który był, i który przychodzi.* Wraz z całym Kościołem „Wielbimy odrębność Osób, jedność w istocie i równość w majestacie.” Wielbimy pokornym umysłem z pomocą Ducha Prawdy tą najprostszą modlitwą: ***Chwała Ojcu, i Synowi, i Duchowi Świętemu – jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze...***

W przyszłym tygodniu będziemy dziękować Bogu za cały rok katechetyczny – zapraszamy dzieci P3 i P4 z rodzicami na msze w sobotę 22.06 na godz. 14.00 do kościoła św. Andrzeja. W niedzielę 23.06 o 0.30 będzie ostatnia liturgia dziecięca przed wakacjami, a jako wspólnota polska przekażemy uroczyste to, co udało się zebrać podczas 10 zbiórek ‘bułki dla Malawi’. Dziękuję Wam za pomoc potrzebującym w Malawi w Afryce. **W okresie wakacyjnym do 18.08 włącznie w Livingston będzie tylko 1 msza po polsku – w niedzielę o 9.30!** Ks.Piotr

DATE	ST ANDREW'S	ST PETER'S	ST PHILIP'S	ST THERESA'S	FEAST DAY
<b>Sun 16 June</b>	9.30am Polish JS 11.30am Mass KO <i>Prashan &amp; Gabi</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Sarah McLean</i> 5.30pm Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i>	9.30am Mass KO <i>Elias Chirinos RIP</i>	11.30am Mass JS <i>Jerry McCool</i>	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity - Year C
<b>Mon 17 June</b>	No Service	No Service	No Service	9.00am Mass JS <i>Peter Grennan RIP</i>	Monday 11th week of the year
<b>Tue 18 June</b>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Frances Johnstone</i>	No Service	9.30am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	No Service	Tuesday 11th week of the year
<b>Wed 19 June</b>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i>	No Service	No Service	6.00pm Mass KO <i>Cathy Townley RIP</i>	Wednesday 11th week of the year
<b>Thu 20 June</b>	9.30am Mass JS <i>George O'Kane</i>	No Service	9.30am Mass KO <i>Lou Baird</i>	No Service	Thursday 11th week of the year
<b>Fri 21 June</b>	No Service	No Service	No Service	9.00am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga
<b>Sat 22 June</b>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i> 5.30pm Vigil JS	6.30pm Polish PK	9.30am Mass KO <i>Peter Grennan RIP</i>	No Service	Saturday 11th week of the year
<b>Sun 23 June</b>	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass JS <i>Catherine Garvie Talfor RIP</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30pm Mass PK <i>Michael Moore</i>	9.30am Mass KO <i>Thomas Connolly RIP</i>	11.30am Mass KO <i>People of the Parish</i>	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ - Year C