

St Mary's Catholic School

Growing together in knowledge, faith and love

19th July 2018

Dear Parents

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you have given to St Mary's during the past academic year. In terms of our journey as a school, it has been a positive year. In March we had a very encouraging HMI report and we are eagerly awaiting the next visit. We now have a trained shadow Governing Body in place who attended their first meeting in this role. We look forward to the next academic year with optimism.

I would like to wish our Year 6 children lots of luck for the future. They have been a pleasure to have in the school and I am delighted that they are leaving us fully prepared for secondary school. Once again, we have had very positive results from EYFS, the phonics screening, KS1 and KS2 SATs. Well done to all the children for their hard work.

This term we sadly say goodbye to Mrs Thompson who has decided to take a break from teaching, I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the best for the future.

We would like to wish good luck to Mrs Phillips who has begun her maternity leave. In September we will welcome Miss Rae who will be covering Mrs Philips while she is enjoying her bundle of joy.

I am sure you will also join me in wishing Miss Pascoe congratulations who is expecting her first child later in the Autumn term.

I would just like to thank all of the staff for their hard work and determination this year in making St Mary's the best school it can be. It warms my heart as both a Headteacher and parent knowing that the children at St Mary's really are at the core of everything that we do.

I would like to wish you all a relaxing summer break and look forward to seeing you on Wednesday 5th September.

Best wishes Demelza Bolton Headteacher

Diary Date for next year 2018-2019

INSET Days - School closed

Tuesday 4th September 2018

Monday 29th October 2018

Monday 7th January 2019

Monday 25th February 2019

Monday 3rd June 2019

We are back to school on Wednesday 5th September 2019.

After School Club

We are delighted to confirm we will be running after school care from the beginning of next term. If you would like your child to attend the first 3 days of next term, please contact the school office. A letter with further information will follow next term.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception	94.3	
Class 1	92.7	
Class 2	96.8	1st
Class 3	87.9	$\langle \langle \rangle$
Class 4	92.6	
Class 5	96.7	2nd
Class 6	96.5	3rd
Overall school	94.8%	
attendance		

Our school target is 96.5%, this is the national figure

Picture News at Home

Every fortnight we will attach child-friendly news in the newsletter. These will be based on topics that are currently in the news and will give you and your child an opportunity to discuss current affairs in Britain. If you would like a hard copy of the news to complete, please ask the office, who will be happy to print one off for you.



9th July 2018 What's going on this week?



On the 5th July, the NHS celebrated its 70th birthday. Prior to this, thousands of demonstrators took part in a march outside Downing Street in central London to celebrate the anniversary of the National Health Service. The demonstrators called for an end to policies, which lead to underfunding and staff shortages, and celebrated the hard work of all the NHS workers. Things to take About at home...

- When was the last time you visited the doctors surgery or hospital?
- Can you list all the ways that you've benefited from the NHS? E.g. immunisations, medicines to make you feel better.
- In some countries around the world, including USA, they don't have free health care for all. If you had to pay each time you went to the doctors, do you think you might go less? Would this be a oroblem?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...

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100% Attendance

These children achieved 100% attendance for the summer term:

Kitty Y2, Keeley Y4, Courteney Y5, Liberty Y1, Eboney Y1, Chyanne Y3, Lottie C. Y1, Amon Y2, Ryan Y5, Sennen YR, Harley Y2, Keenan Y5, Layla Y2, Kaitlyn YR, David Y2, Matthew Y2, Logan Y2, Alfie Y3, Lilly Y1, Max YR, Violet Y3, Hanna Y5, Natan Y1, Thomas Y5, Oriane Y2, Szymon Y5, Abbigail Y6, Ammelia Y6, Lily-Rose Y2, Ezme Y1, Iona Y5, James Y1, Archie Y2, Oliver Y5, CJ Y2, Dominykas Y1, Rueben Y5, Lili Y5, Chae Y6, Kayden Y4, Harriett Y4

Well done to these children who achieved 100% attendance for the whole year: Chyanne Y3, Alfie Y3, Lilly Y1, Max YR, Lili Y5, Chae Y6, Harriett Y4

Well done to all children who achieved above national average attendance 96.5%. If you would like to know your child's attendance it is on the front page of their school report.

Year 3 trip to Goonhilly

As part of our Space Topic Year 3 went to Goonhilly Earth Station to learn about how Satellites work. We learnt about the International Space Station and our knowledge of planets orbiting came in very useful. We also had a go at making our Satellite.





St Mary's secures bronze in the Hockey!

The school hockey team progressed through the local school hockey league to qualify for the Cornwall School Games.

On Friday 29th June, the team travelled to Penryn College for the Games. Schools from all over Cornwall were competing. After playing 7 matches of 12 minutes each, in 27 degree heat, they secured the bronze medal. A truly fabulous achievement. Third in Cornwall!

Well done to all the team and a huge thank you to everyone who has supported them along the way.





Year 4 hosted an assembly on Tuesday 3rd July all about their topic of India. They shared their knowledge of a whole range of areas from history to geography to art and national symbols. Finally, the whole audience was taught a little part of an Indian dance. Thank you to everyone for entering into the spirit, particularly the parents!



Surfing!

Wetsuit - check, surfboard - check, a dull, cloudy Cornish day - check. We were off. Year 4 enjoyed a wonderful day of surfing at Gwithian on Wednesday. What a show of tremendous resilience. They fell off, they got back on. They had a monstrous sand dune to climb but they kept going. Smiles, laughter and fun. Year 4 you were all fabulous as usual. Thank you for a wonderful day from Miss Taylor, Miss Correnti and Mrs Szlichta.











Local school children competed in an Aquathon at St Mary's. Having completed 6 lengths of the pool, the children put on their running shoes to complete two circuits of the school field. For most, this was their first experience of an Aquathon, but they are already raring to go for the next meet! Well done St Mary's athletes, we are very proud of you and the way you are always challenging yourselves.







St Mary's Hockey team were runners up in the Primary Hockey Festival.

This is a truly incredible achievement and well deserved. We are incredibly proud of all of you. Well done!



Year 5& 6 Woodland Valley Residential Trip

Many thanks to Mrs Sopp, Miss Nicholls, Mr Kullich and Ms Katkowski for taking the children on camp. They all had a brilliant time. Thank you!



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Kathryn Allen Private Music Tuition

Parishioner Kathryn Allen will be providing private individual and group tuition outside school hours. If your child is interested in learning to sing, play the piano or the recorder, please contact the school office for her details.

