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St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has welcomed and supported me since I joined the school. Your wonderful comments and messages of support on achieving the permanent headship at St Mary's have been very kind. I am really excited by the prospect of working on a permanent basis with such a committed team to move the school forward.

I know St Mary's School has the makings of an 'Outstanding' school; ensuring that every child reaches their full potential and enjoys success in their learning.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to improve the education for your child at St Mary's. You can email our secretary, Mrs Farmer, or drop in to see me before or after school.

Thank you for your continued support,
Best wishes *Mrs Alison McDonald*



Educational Welfare Officer (EWO)

You may have seen Mr Dan Burbridge, our EWO, on the gate this week. He is supporting us at St Mary's to improve our attendance. He is closely monitoring punctuality and registers. Please expect to be invited to an attendance clinic if your child's attendance/punctuality is unsatisfactory.

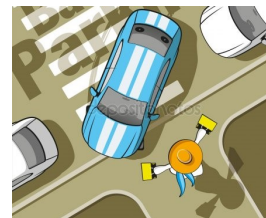
Attendance Update

Whole School from Sept 17 to date: **94.5%**

Class with highest attendance so far in the Summer Term: **Year 3 = 98.1%**

Parking

Residents in Flamank Park are being blocked in by parents parking across their drives, which is preventing them getting to work. We appreciate every effort is being made in our drop-off layby but please can we also be considerate to our neighbours.



Year 6 enjoying their pizza party to celebrate the end of their SATs. Well done to them all for working so hard and trying their best.



We Won!

A huge thank you to everyone for joining in. Points were given to every child who walked, cycled or scooted

to school and we accrued the most! Our prize is a BMX stunt show for the pupils, which will be held here on Friday. Our thanks also to Angie from Sustrans.



Celebrating the Royal Wedding
Year 4 organised a royal wedding tea party in the garden!



Salad Bar

Our new salad bar is a great success with children helping themselves and trying new tastes, encouraging healthy meal options.



The Food Heaven



We have made a few changes to the menu to increase choices. Jacket Potatoes with different toppings and freshly made sandwiches will be available daily. Children's choices will be monitored to ensure they are maintaining a balanced diet. We hope you like the new menus but please let us know if there are any other areas you'd like to see improved.

Please note: Sandwiches will only be available in the Summer Menu, which ends after the October half term.



Libby, Logan, Dominik & Paulina will be making



their First Holy Communion at 10.30am on Sunday at St Mary's Church. Everyone is welcome to join in our wonderful celebration.

Sports Days

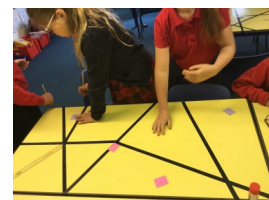
Nurs: Tue 26th June at 9.00am

KS1: Weds 27th June at 1.30pm

KS2: Mon 25th June at 1.30pm



Year 5 using mirrors for 3D reflection investigation in Maths and working out angles in their geometry.



2018 /19 Term Dates

A detailed calendar grid for the 2018/19 academic year, showing term dates, holidays, and inset training days.

Next year's Term dates have been set with the usual six Inset Training days. Four days have been put together in July to encourage our families to take their annual holiday then, which will be cheaper and also have less impact on term time absences. **Term time holidays cannot be authorised** and if taken could possibly incur penalty notices in future from our Educational Welfare Officer.

St Mary's Challenge!



Extra **Golden Time** went to:

Year 3 on Fri 11th May with **99.3%**

Year 5 & 6 on Fri 18th May also **99.3%**

That's fantastic —well done Yr 3, 5 & 6!

Headteacher's special mention to:

Year 2 and 6 for trying their very best in their SAT tests last week. You did such a great job, well done!



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
4 June Forest School Year 6 Drum & Guitar Lessons	5 3.15pm Fencing Club	6 10.30am Mass in Church, led by Year 6	7	8	9	10 10.30am Mass in Church
11 Yr 1 & 2 Phonic Screening Forest School Year 6 Drum & Guitar Lessons	12 3.15pm Fencing Club	13	14 10.30am Pentecost & Mission Topic Liturgy led by Year 5	15	16	17 10.30am Mass in Church