

Newsletter

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Welcome back to school! We hope that you and your family managed to enjoy some sunshine during the holidays! The children have launched themselves into lessons and class topics and school is buzzing with lots of fantastic learning throughout. Our Nursery children have had a super start to their St. Mary's journey; already enjoying lots of fun and learning, hand in hand. Likewise, our Year 6 children are already fully immersed in their final year with us; knuckling down to lots of exciting work with our new Year 6 teacher, Mrs Drzymala. We look forward to an action packed Autumn term - keep your eye on our diary dates section and the school website notices for details of upcoming events!

<u>AUTUMN TERM DATES</u> <u>for your diary!</u>

- Half Term: Mon 26th Fri 30th October
- Last Day Autumn Term: Fri 18th Dec, 2pm
- Inset Day: Mon 4th January 2016
- Inset Day: Tues 5th January
- **Spring Term Starts:** Weds 6th January

Mass Dates

Held in the School Hall at 10.30am
Please come along and join us, all welcome!

Weds 23rd Sept – New School Year, Yr 5 Weds 7th Oct – Mary Mother of Jesus, Yr 4 Weds 21st Oct – Harvest Festival, Yr 3 Half Term

Weds 11th Nov – Remembrance, Yr 2 Weds 16th Dec – Advent Mass of Light, Yr 6

Attendance is key

Working together with you and the wider school community is really important to us. We want to make sure that your child has the very best time at school; achieving their full potential in every way. The single most significant way that you can support us in doing this is by making sure your child is in school and on time every day. If your child is just feeling a little under the weather, please encourage them into school. If we think that they are too unwell to be in, we will contact you without hesitation. An attendance report will be included at the top of each newsletter celebrating the class with the highest attendance % and encouraging the one with the lowest. Rewards will be given to classes with persistently high attendance.

Read, Write, Inc. Please come to an information session about how we teach reading and writing at St. Mary's. Our learning is lively, interactive and fun! During this half an hour session we will explain the programme, you can watch a 'mini lesson' and you will see how you can help your child at home. We look forward to seeing you at one of the two sessions below.

Wednesday 7th October 2:30-3:15pm and Thursday 8th October 9:00-9:45am

RUGBY with Plymouth Albion at St. Mary's!

There are still a few spaces left in our after school Rugby Club run by Plymouth Albion players on Tuesdays from 3:15-4:15pm. Please let Mrs Farmer (office) know if you would like to join the squad!

Summer Improvements!

As you come in to meet your child's class teacher this week you will notice that our school entrance area and school hall has had a makeover! Many thanks to Mr Paul Beards, our site manager who worked tirelessly over the summer break to make sure the school was bright, fresh and ready for a new school year. Thank you also to FOS and Emily Middleton for our beautiful canvases capturing wonderful moments of learning and achievement.

Autumn Term School Uniform Reminder

Girls

Summer/Winter dresses
Navy/Black Trousers
Red/Navy Polo Shirt
Red/Navy School Sweatshirt
Black shoes (no trainers)

PΕ

White T-Shirt Blue/Black Shorts Plymsols / Trainers

Boys

Black Trousers/Shorts Red/Navy Polo Shirt Red/Navy School Sweatshirt Black shoes (no trainers)

PE

White T-Shirt Blue/Black Shorts Plymsols / Trainers

