



St Mary's Catholic Primary School School Bulletin

20th May 2022

SUBJECT	YEAR GROUPS RELEVANT TO	STAFF CONTACT
Message from Mrs Scanlon	All	Mrs Scanlon

As Term 5 draws to a close there is much to reflect on and celebrate.

The children have worked hard throughout the last six weeks to continue to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding across the curriculum and it has been wonderful to see such exciting and interesting lessons and learning being enjoyed by all our children.

As usual, there have been many highlights throughout Term 5 and one of these has been having our parents and carers with us in school at our liturgies and our online safety assembly this term.

This week our school has continued to be busy and our children's learning has included:

- finding out all about the Queen in Red class
- discovering what it is to be a design engineer by looking at an invention by the inventor James Dyson in Orange class
- thinking about the local area in relation to geographical human and physical features in Yellow class
- learning about the everyday lives of Roman people as part of their 'Roman day' in Green class
- creating an underwater world for their entire classroom in Blue class
- and on Tuesday our Year 5 and 6 children went to the O2 to take part in 'Young Voices'. They had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience of performing in such a large venue and with so many other children.

We were also delighted this week that ten of our Year 3 children participated in a Tri-golf tournament at Beacon Academy and had a brilliant time learning how to use golf equipment and practise their hand eye coordination skills. They were a credit to the school and they worked so well as a team.

Finally, today we finished the week and the term with a celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in which the children enjoyed an afternoon tea organised by the Friends of St Mary's and took part in activities throughout the morning to commemorate this special occasion.

They are all more than ready, after all their hard work and enthusiasm, for the Half Term break and I hope that the children, staff and you all have a well-deserved rest over the coming week.

Thank you once again for your continued support as a community throughout the term.

Best wishes
Mrs Scanlon

Parent/carer survey – Term 6	All	Mrs Scanlon
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Over the course of this term, we have been working on our strategic plan for the academic year ahead, as well as our overall three-year plan. It is important to us that all our pupils, parents/carers, governors and staff have the opportunity to contribute to these plans and as such we will be sending out a parent/carer survey at the start of Term 6.

We are very much looking forward to receiving your feedback and ideas and suggestions as we journey forward together here at St Mary's over the coming months and years.

Farewell from Mrs Allcorn

All

Mrs Allcorn



The time has come for me to say Goodbye to St Mary's, but I will still be around as a parent for many years to come and a member of the FSM. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time working in the school office and it's with a very heavy heart that I say Goodbye.

St Mary's is a very special place for our children as well as to work, so it has been an absolute privilege to be of service to the children, the staff and to you, the parents.

Thank you all for being so wonderful and making my time at St Mary's such a happy and enjoyable role.
All my Love, Sabrina xx

**Y4 Multiplications Table Check
June 2022**

Year 4 parents/carers

DfE

Please see attached a leaflet for parents and carers from the DfE with regards to the **Multiplication Tables Check** which our Y4 children will be taking on their return after the Half term Break in June 2022

Phonics Check - Y1

Year 1 parents/carers

Year 1 will be completing the Phonics Screening Check during the week of 6th -10th June which is the first week back after the Half Term Break

School Attendance Reminder

All

Mrs Scanlon

Please be aware that **school attendance is mandatory** and the usual rules continue to apply, including:

- a parent's duty to ensure that their child attends regularly at school, where the child is a registered pupil at school
- schools' responsibilities to record attendance and follow up absence
- the ability for schools and local authorities to issue sanctions, including fixed penalty notices in line with local authorities' codes of conduct.

WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?

190 days	180 days	178 days	163 days	161 days	143 days
100%	95%	94%	86%	85%	75%
Good 		Worrying 		Serious Concern 	
Only 1-2 day missed per term		Between 3-8 days missed per term		More than 9 days missed per term	

**Charity Fundraiser
Green Class**

All

Miss Cook

Green class have chosen to support **Cancer Research** as their class charity. On **Monday 20th June** we are holding a sports personality day, in which all pupils in all year groups can come to school dressed as either a sports personality, or someone representing their favourite sport.

Please note that there is **no need to buy any special clothing** as dressing up is completely optional.

There will be a fun obstacle course to take part in on the field at lunchtime.

We are asking for a **voluntary contribution of £1** to come to school in your sporty clothes to raise money for Cancer Research.

Thank you for your support.

Rose Hill School Activity Camp

All

Rose Hill School

Please see the attached Flyer and below poster for a Summer Activity Camp at Rose Hill School in Tunbridge Wells.

ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMPS

WITH SWIMMING

Also Available: **ULTIMATE SURVIVAL**

Outstanding activity camps for 4-14 year olds this Summer at Rose Hill School, Royal Tunbridge Wells

0330 111 7077 www.ultimateactivity.co.uk

Brigade School Uniform

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Brigade our uniform supplier has advised of the following offer;

<https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/>

We are pleased to be able to offer a late and final discount to parents ordering online this summer;

**Flash Sale –10% Final Discount on Parent Orders this summer
2 days Only! - Sat 28th & Sun 29th May – Use Code FLASH22**

After this date our final deadline for orders to be received by the start of term is **22nd July**
Please visit

<https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/>

And the search for our school type in **St Mary's** not forgetting the apostrophe and you can then select our school

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL -EAST SUSSEX

Colour Run

All

FSM

The FSM would like to say a huge thank you to all who attended the colour run on Sunday. The event made an amazing **£504.23** plus sponsorship money.

We also wish to remind you that you still have time to collect sponsorship for taking part and we will give a prize to the family who raises the most. Please bring all sponsorship money to the school office by the 6th June 2022

We had so much fun and would like to share some of the photographs taken.

We also wish to remind you that you still have time to collect sponsorship for taking part and we will give a prize to the family who raises the most.



Cake sale

All

Friends of St Mary's

Reception class held their cake sale this week.

They raised a fantastic £325.60.

Thank you to all the reception class parents and carers that provided all the amazing cakes and treats for sale and to all the school community who bought the goods at the sales.

That was the final class cake sale of the school year. Thank you to all the classes efforts and the money raised for the benefit of their class.

Learn to tie your shoelaces	All	Miss Cook
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Year 3 have been challenged with learning to tie their shoelaces. Here is a video to help explain the process: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=owuRz3TSno> , which I thought I would share in case it helps others in the school too.

Bags to School	All	Friends of St Mary's
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If you are having a clear out over half term, we have another

Bag2School collection on 16th June.

Please drop your donations off on Wednesday 15th if possible. We can accept bags until 9am on Thursday 16th as they will be collected between 9-12.

Ask your friends and neighbours if they have anything they can donate. The school receives money on the weight of the items, so the heavier the better!

WHAT WE COLLECT

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE*:

Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
 Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)

Handbags
 Hats
 Bags
 Scarves and ties

Jewellery

Lingerie

Socks

Belts

Soft toys

Household linen

Household curtains

Household towels

Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)
 * We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

We DO NOT accept:

Duvets and blankets

Pillows and cushions

Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)

Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing

School uniforms with and without logo

Corporate clothing and workwear

Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

All money goes back to the school so a great cause. Thank you for your continued support.

Second Hand Uniform	All	Friends of St Mary's
<p>Our second-hand uniform stock of badged items polo tops, cardigans and jumpers are very low for ages above 5 to 6. If you have items that are no longer needed, please donate to the school who then resell to raise funds. We are planning to hold a second-hand uniform sale for all sizes in the school hall on Wednesday 6th July so people can stock up for the new school year. All donations grateful received.</p> <p>Thank you</p>		

Diary Dates	All	Office
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Important

The following INSET DAYS have been decided for the next academic school year 2022/23. School will be closed to all pupils on these days.

1st September 2022

2nd September 2022

3rd January 2023

20th July 2023

21st July 2023

2022/23 Term Dates

Term 1	5 September 2022	-	21 October 2022
<i>Autumn break</i>	24 October 2022	-	28 October 2022
Term 2	31 October 2022	-	16 December 2022
<i>Christmas break</i>	19 December 2022	-	2 January 2023
Term 3	4 January 2023	-	10 February 2023
<i>February break</i>	13 February 2023	-	17 February 2023
Term 4	20 February 2023	-	31 March 2023
<i>April break</i>	3 April 2023	-	14 April 2023
Term 5	17 April 2023	-	26 May 2023
<i>May break</i>	29 May 2023	-	2 June 2023
Term 6	5 June 2023	-	19 July 2023

Monday May 1st 2023 is a Public Bank Holiday - School is closed

TERM 6

(Split into weeks)

06.06.22 - First Day of Term for Pupils

09.06.22 - New Reception Class 2022 Make and Take Session 10am - 11am

13.06.22 to 17.6.22 Beacon Open week tours - Indigo class

13.06.22 - Red and Indigo Class group photos

16.06.22 - Bags to School Collection - Friends of St Mary's

17.06.22 - Father's Day Gift Sale - Friends of St Mary's

23.06.22- New Reception Class 2022 Stay and Play Session 10am - 11am

24.06.22 to 27.06.22 - Indigo and Violet Classes Residential at PGL Windmill Hill

29.06.22 - St Gregory's Science Department visit to Indigo Class for Science Workshop

04.07.22 to 06.07.22 Violet Class transition days to Beacon

06.07.22 - Internal transition day

08.07.22 - Sports Day - whole school - All parents invited

13.07.22 & 14.07.22 Indigo/Violet Class Production 7pm

15.07.22 - Reserve Sports Day

17.07.22 - Friends of St Mary's Summer Fair 11.30am - New time

19.07.22 - Leavers Mass (9.30am)

19.07.22 - Last Day of Term for Pupils (**1pm finish for pupils**)

20.07.22 - INSET DAY

21.07.22 - INSET DAY

Dates subject to possible changes

Attachments

Gruffalo Flyer

Y4 Multiplication Check Leaflet