

St Mary's R.C. Primary School Newsletter



Statement to Live by: "I notice that we are the same and we are different!"

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This Wednesday the school was alive with Music as North Yorkshire Music Service joined us at St Mary's for the day. Reception sang songs and used their rhythm sticks; Year 1 coupled their singing with percussion instruments and also plucked tunes on violins; Year 2 concentrated their efforts on the violins; Year 3 kept the beat with the jambalaya drums; Year 4 consolidated their playing on the violins and cello; Year 5 concentrated on brass instruments, trombones and trumpets; Year 6 drumming the Samba beat. A fantastic day was had by all. The Music service were stunned by the progress all children made in such a short period of time; they were also very complimentary with the manners and behaviour of all our children. Playing a musical instrument can have such a positive effect on children and their learning; including a sense of achievement; an increase in self-esteem and confidence; persistence in overcoming frustrations when learning is difficult; self-discipline; and providing a means of self-expression. All skills that are transferable into the whole of the curriculum and can lead to an increased motivation for learning in general which in turn supports enhanced attainment. Further information from North Yorkshire Music Service, to follow in the new academic year should you wish your child to receive music tuition.

Our girls and boys football teams took part in The Catholic Cup on Saturday in Hull at St Mary's College. Both teams had great team spirit, played superbly and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Thank you to parents who assisted with the travel to Hull and supported and encouraged our teams. Well done every one!

Mrs K Whitehead

Class Teachers

Wednesday morning we will be having our transition morning when the children will all move up to their new classes; the structure for next academic year is as follows:

Reception: Miss Fairhurst
Year 1: Mr Farrell
Year 2: Mrs Tucker
Year 3: Mrs Martin
Year 4: Miss Fautley
Year 5: Miss Poulter / Mrs Jackson
Year 6: Mrs England

Mr McGeeney (Deputy Headteacher) under the direction of the Headteacher will continue to drive improvements throughout the school ensuring the best outcomes for our children.



Goodbyes to Staff

We have some members of staff who are leaving us at the end of this Summer term we would like to say farewell to, and wish them all well in the future as they move on. Mrs O'Reilly and Mrs Walker, Mrs Lambert and Miss Howard. Goodbye and good luck and thank you for all you've done for St Mary's R.C Primary School. We will all miss you!

Summer Fair

A huge thank you to the FOSMs for organising the Summer Fair. Without their hard work and support fundraising events such as this would not happen. The total raised through the Summer Fair is £2,200. Thanks goes to all the classes, adults and children for the running of their stalls.

Total raised by the classes £338.62. Y6 raising the greatest amount with a total of £155.42



Sports Day

Hopefully the sun will be shining on the Monday 10th July for our Sports Day. Friends and family are invited to join us for the afternoon session at 12.45pm.

Children are encouraged to bring their **outdoor trainers** into school to wear for the sports events throughout the day. Children to come to school in their school uniform and change into their PE kits once at school. Where possible we are asking all children to bring a colour t-shirt representing their house: **St George – Red; St David – Yellow; St Andrew – Blue; St Patrick – Green.**

Should Sport's day have to be cancelled due to the weather a text will be sent out to parents to advise and notices displayed in the playground and office.

The Governors have produced their annual Governor questionnaire. This year we are offering a new 'interactive' format which hopefully is more user friendly. If you have difficulty accessing a computer or the internet please let us know and we can arrange a suitable time for you to complete online with a school computer. The link to access the questionnaire is: <https://goo.gl/forms/GsxR9V8NQhE0LNVC2>.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We try to publish dates as soon as we are practically able to ensure we give as much notice as possible for friends and family to support children at St Mary's. However we do reserve the right to change dates due to any unforeseen circumstances.

Date	Event
Monday 10 th July	Sports Day (Reserve day 13 th July)
Tuesday 11th July	Y5 & Y6 SFX to watch dress rehearsal FAME
Tuesday 11th July	Y1 & Y2 Treasure Trail around Richmond
Friday 14 th July	End of Year Reports to go home
Friday 14 th July	Annual Prize Giving 2.15pm
Monday 17 th & Tuesday 18 th July	Y6 production at 6.30pm
Monday 17 th July	Drop in open evening 3.30pm -5.00pm
Thursday 20th July	Y6 Leavers Mass all welcome
Friday 21 st July	Y6 Leavers Assembly at 2.45pm
Friday 21 st July	BREAK UP FOR SUMMER 3.20pm

Star of the Week

Rec: Amelia McP

Y1: Minah I

Y2: Ava S

Y3: Euan S

Y4: Violet S

Y5: Katlyn W

Y6: Ellie H

Awards:

STLB: Evie McP

Lunchtime: Thomas L

House Champions:
St George.



Rec: 96%

Y1: 98%

Y2: 97%

Y3: 95%

Y4: 89%

Y5: 97%

Y6: 98%

Whole School
attendance figure for
the week 96%

Baby News

Congratulations to Mrs Brown and to the arrival of Elliot Thomas who was born on Tuesday 4th July.



Prayer for Our Children

*Bless these children in St Mary's,
O God.*

*Give them enquiring and discerning
hearts,*

*courage to persevere in all they
undertake.*

*The gift of joy and wonder in all
things.*

*Laughter and love to share with all,
and sure and certain knowledge
of your unfailing love.*

Amen

