



# St Mary's Newsletter

Friday 5th May 2017



**"Pupils' learning is now at the heart of everything they do."**  
Ofsted September 2012



Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to our Y2 children who are showing resilience as they started their SATs this week. These will feed into teacher assessment for Y2.

Next week our Year 6 children commence their KS2 SATs. The Year 6 staff team, additional support staff, and our Year 6 children have been working hard in their class and smaller group work.

We wish all our Year 6 pupils the best; remain calm and confident as you do your best.

God bless,

Miss Prayag  
Headteacher



## KS2 SATs Free Breakfast Club

Next week during **KS2 SATs Mon 8th—Thu 11th May**, we will be running a free breakfast club for Year 6. We encourage all Year 6 children to come along and have breakfast and to also prepare for the day ahead. We have found previously that the children enjoy this time.



## Empowering Children to make good or better progress with their learning

Teachers at St Mary's, supported by our excellent learning assistants, show excellent quality first teaching which helps children to grow as learners, and to apply skills across the curriculum. Please chat with your child about their topics, their targets and the feedback they get from staff about how to move forward in their learning. Thank you.

### How do your teachers and support staff help you with your learning?

Our teachers are fun and they make learning enjoyable. We get to share our learning and progress with the whole school - **Jaedyne Y4**

They make learning new things exciting and we get to use useful equipment – like iPads and Reading Stations - which helps me practise my skills - **Joshua Y4**

The teachers and Learning Assistants mark our work and give us next step comments which we use in our next piece of work to help us improve, making us brainier! - **Samir Y5**

I always look to improve, and looking at my Maths and English targets from my teacher and Learning Assistant helps me to be better at my learning – **Albert and Riahana Y3**

The success criteria the teachers give us helps us to check if we're getting our work right and then at the end we can self assess our work. We are also role models to Reception and Year 1 to make them better learners – **Charlie and Lila Y2**

Working in small groups, helps us to learn at different stages and supports us to expand our wider knowledge - **Shelemah Y5**

## Parent Questionnaire

*Many thanks to those parents who filled in the questionnaire handed out at the last parents' consultation.*

*We had 78 responses which was fantastic, and most were very positive.*

*82% of parents' responses strongly agreed that their child is taught well at St Mary's and 99% shared they would recommend St Mary's school to another parent.*

*These questionnaires are a great tool for parents to provide feedback to the school, so please do take a few minutes to fill them out next time, including the box at the bottom for any specific feedback. The forms are anonymous, however do feel free to write your name, which can help in following up with any comments.*

*Thank you for your continued partnership with St Mary's school.*



**Many thanks - Amy Rodwell, Governor**



**"For the LORD Most High is awesome, the great King over all the earth."**

*Psalms 89:13-14*

## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

We are very happy to inform you that this week we celebrated our excellent attendance and punctuality in our celebration assembly.

This Week our Punctual Polly is very happy to be going to **Y3** class and our Attending Alfie will be shared between **Y3** and **Y6**. This means that **Y3** are double winners this week.

A **BIG** well done. Keep it up!  
Thank you.

School Home

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## Coffee Mornings



Thank you to all who has come along to our Monday coffee mornings. Advance notice that our local police officer, Richard Spears will join the coffee morning on Monday 15th May to chat with parents/carers about social media, which parents have been asking about and how to manage this with children.

Coffee Morning is every Monday from 9am until 9.30am. This is a wonderful time for parents and carers to socialise together over tea, coffee and biscuits. Please do come along, Miss Kelly our HLTA is looking forward to seeing you all.



## Friends of St Marys

The F.O.S.M are holding the next Summer Fair planning meeting on Tuesday 23rd May at 9.00am. The meeting will be held in the courtyard. Please come along. All your help and support is needed.

## National Child Measurement Programme

Rec & Year 6 children should have received a letter in the post from the NHS about the National Child Measurement Programme. The nurse will be coming into school on Thursday the 18th May to measure and weigh the children. If you are happy for your child to take part in this programme, you don't need to do anything. If you would like to opt out of this programme then please send a letter into school stating this.



Thank you



## Sainsburys Active Kids Vouchers

Sainsburys have now stopped giving out the vouchers. So please check your purse and at home to see if you have any laying around. They are a great help to us and we use them for sports and cooking equipment for the children to use in school.

Our collection box is at the school office.

We really appreciate your support.

Thank you



Active Kids

## Diary Dates

**Mon 8th—Thu 11th May** - KS2 SATs

**Thu 18th May**—Rec & Y6 National Child Measurement Programme

**Monday 15th—Friday 19th May**—Y2 SATs

**Tuesday 23rd May**—9.00am FOSM Meeting

**Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June**—Half Term

**Monday 5th June**—Summer Term 2

**Mon 5th June—Wed 7th June**—Year 6 Trip to Kingswood

**Friday 23rd June**—Curriculum Day

**Friday 30th June**—Sports Day

**Thursday 6th July**—Parent Consultations

**Friday 7th July**—Inset Day School closed to children

**Friday 21st July**—2pm End of Summer Term

