

# Newsletter 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019

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COMPASSION COMMUNITY COURAGE CURIOSITY

Firstly, I would like to apologise for not being in school as much as I normally am since the start of Term 5. The children know I have been at Head Teacher's School learning lots of important things. Since the start of this term I have been developing my knowledge of Safeguarding policies and procedures as well as learning about leading 'hopeful, happy and healthy' schools. This learning will impact positively on the work we are doing at St Mary's and help to strengthen our vision to be 'the very best we can all be'.

I am sure many of you saw me in my high vis jacket with a colleague at the car park gates this week. This was part of ongoing health and safety monitoring and improvement plans. I will be writing separately to you about this in more detail but in the meantime, we are contacting the council to ask for their help with road markings and signage. Many of the key stage one children said they thought I was dressed as a builder and they were very interested when I told them I was going to build a multi-storey car park! I am sure this would have been very well received by our community!

With warmest wishes,

Sophie Westerwijk

## Dates for your diary:

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May**  
- St Mary's running the Bluebell Cafe

**W/C Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May**  
- Year 6 SATS week

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** –  
Cash 4 Clothes  
Collection

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** – End  
of Term 5

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June** –  
**START OF TERM 6**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June** –  
Priory Bikeability starts

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** -  
Sports Day

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June** –  
Leavers Day @ Wells  
Cathedral

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – Y2  
Singing Festival

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June** –  
Summer Disco

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** - Trip  
to the SS Great Britain –  
Windmill & Sheepway



### *Our Christian Value in Term 5*

*Can your child explain to you what Justice means? Can they give you an example of Justice in action at school?*

### Bluebell Café

St Mary's will be running the Bluebell Café this weekend (Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May). As you know, it is the responsibility of St Mary's to keep the café stocked with cakes for the whole weekend. Thank you to everyone who brought cakes in this morning, they look fabulous. You are very welcome to drop cakes into the Bluebell café during the weekend if you were unable to bring them to school today. All cake and biscuit donations will be gratefully received as it is likely to be busy.

### Lunchtime Improvement Plan

Ellie Speed is leading our lunchtime improvement plan and we will soon be training year 5s to be playground leaders. They will be responsible for leading exciting games and interacting with and supporting our younger children. Your child may talk about the 'Golden Table' and 'Golden Spoons!' Do ask them to explain what these are.



#### OUR SCHOOL VALUE IN TERM 5: COMMUNITY

*Can you help our community work in more sustainable ways? I have already shared some really inspiring ideas with some of you. Please keep talking to us!*

### After School Clubs

#### Monday

Rounders

#### Tuesday

Cricket

#### Wednesday

Gym

#### Thursday

Football

#### Friday

Multi Sports

**Emergency Contact No**  
*(during club hours only)*  
**07598 037991**

### Parent/carer class representatives

Our first meeting will be on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm in the school hall. I much look forward to meeting you all and sharing some of your ideas.



### Celebrating Maths at St Mary's

We were delighted to welcome 14 teachers from local schools into St Mary's this week to share Mrs Ball's maths lesson. This formed part of the Maths Teachers Research Group that we are a part of this year and meant that we provided a forum for teachers to share best practice and interesting ways of supporting children with their learning in this fantastic subject. I would like to thank Mrs Ball as maths leader, supported by Miss Sinclair, for all their hard work this year as we strive to provide the very best mathematical experiences for all of our children.