



# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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*A Community Where we Live, Learn and Laugh Together in God's Love*

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**END OF YEAR MASS** (Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2.15pm) We invite all our community to join us for this final Mass of the academic year, to thank God for the achievements of the year and to pray for ourselves and the pupils and staff leaving us at the end of term. Everyone is welcome, even if you are not a Catholic – You can always just come along and watch. 😊

**BISHOP MARCUS - PARISH VISIT** (29<sup>th</sup> / 30<sup>th</sup> June) The Bishop of Leeds will be saying Mass during this weekend at all the normal Masses at St Alban's and St Mary's Churches. In particular, it would be great to see lots of families at the **11am Mass at St Mary's** to give the Bishop a very warm welcome.



**CHORDIALITY & FRIENDS (15<sup>th</sup> June)** Mr Brennan would like to offer his thanks for the support his own choir (Chordiality) and the school Choir received at this wonderful event. It was a fantastic evening and the children were made to feel so welcome and valued. We believe the total raised towards the Church Heating Fund will be around **£800** after costs. We will let you have the final figure before the end of term.



**NUTS IN PACKED LUNCHES** Please be aware that nuts are not allowed to be brought to school as part of a packed lunch. We have a number of children in school with potentially life threatening allergies to nuts and we ask parents to help ensure no child is put at risk, by avoiding the inclusion of nuts of any kind in packed lunches. Thank you.

**SPORTS WEEK (NEXT WEEK)** All the children in school will be hopefully taking part in Sports Day on **MONDAY** next week. **KS2** will be in action in the morning between 9.15am and 11.45am. **KS1 and FS** will be in action from 1.15pm to 3.15pm. Parents are very welcome to come along. If the weather is not going to allow us to run this event safely, it will be moved to the reserve day of 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Parents will be informed of any changes by text as early as possible.



**During Sports Week.....** (all next week) children may wear sports gear instead of their normal school uniform. On Sports Day itself (Monday) it would be useful if children could wear a T-shirt matching the House Colour they belong to. Teachers should have made children aware of the colour they ideally need to wear already.



**AWARDS ASSEMBLIES** A reminder that we will be celebrating the particular achievements of some children in **Foundation Stage to Y5** in a special assembly on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July (2pm)**. Parents of children who will be receiving individual awards will be informed by text in the next few weeks.

Our annual **Y6 Awards Assembly** will take place on **Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm**. Again, where children will be receiving a trophy or shield or special award we will let parents know in advance.

**After the Y6 Assembly** on the last day of school, there will be an informal opportunity for parents of Y6 children to share drinks and snacks with teachers and support staff, before they leave the school for the final time.

**OPEN EVENING** (Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July. 3.30pm – 4.30pm) This is an opportunity for parents who particularly want to meet your child's new teacher for September to come along and grab a few words with them. We politely ask that you do not come along to this event if you just want to speak to the child's existing teacher. There are no appointments for this evening, so if you do come along please do not spend more than a few minutes with the teacher. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

**ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS** Well done to all those classes above our School Target of 97% and especially **Mrs Dyson's** class, who have achieved **99.5%**.

CLASS	Attendance 3/6/19 – 14/6/19
REC	97.8
1/2D	99.5
1/2HB	96.0
2M	94.5
3/4BV	99.1
3/4S	97.9
4V	95.3
5G	98.8
5P	97.0
6L	94.7
6C	93.0
<b>School Average</b>	<b>96.8%</b>

**We are monitoring attendance even more closely over this half-term, with a prize planned for the class that does the best.**

**Y6 LEAVERS DISCO** 9<sup>th</sup> July (6pm – 8pm) The PTFA are organising this annual event with the staff at school, as a treat for the Y6 children as they leave us for pastures new. There will be a photo booth, tuck shop and a DJ. All Y6 children are invited. **Book on [www.eduspot.co.uk](http://www.eduspot.co.uk) - £3.**



**SUMMER SCHOOL** Mrs Smith (Hang Out Hub Manager) has generously agreed to run another Summer School Club for pupils of St Mary's in the first week of the Summer holidays (22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2019) 9am – 3pm. The places we have available are limited to 30, so please book asap to avoid disappointment. The charge is £15 per day or £60 for the full 5 days. You book online through [www.eduspot.co.uk](http://www.eduspot.co.uk) and can get more details from the office. **Please note:** When booking there is a specific payment option for the whole week (all 5 days). There is also an option to book each separate day. 'Instalment 1' is for the Monday, 'Instalment 2' is for the Tuesday etc.

**PTFA 'FAMILY' CURRY & QUIZ SOCIAL** (Tonight 6pm – 9pm)..... Tickets for this event have been on sale for a few weeks. It promises to be a very enjoyable evening. If you want to come along 'last minute' and pay on the door that is OK. (£4 per adult and £2 per child)

**SUMMER FAYRE** (Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 11am to 2pm) The PTFA have gone to a lot of effort to make this event a success and we hope everyone will come along to support them and have loads of fun! There will be lots of stalls, bargains, games, activities, and food as well as the final of our 5-a-side tournament to watch. The Committee have been helping us to set up the Forest School provision this term and we are very grateful for all the funds they have given towards this very exciting initiative for September.

**KS1 SCARBOROUGH** The children in Y1 and Y2 will be enjoying a 'sunny day' on the east coast on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July. They have a letter about this and we ask that payments are made on [www.eduspot.co.uk](http://www.eduspot.co.uk) before this date. The PTFA have kindly agreed to pay for an ice cream for each child after they have been on their Pirate Ship ride!

**ANNUAL REPORTS** We have significantly adapted the format of our reports this year to make them more personal and easier to read. These will hopefully be sent to parents on the 8<sup>th</sup> July.

**LAST DAY IN SCHOOL** A reminder that our final day in school this academic year is Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July. We will finish at the normal time (3.25pm for FS & KS1 and 3.30pm for KS2).