



Newsletter 11th June 2021

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COMPASSION COMMUNITY COURAGE CURIOSITY

Dear Parents,

Term 6 has got off to a really positive start with children immersed in creative activities as part of our Art Day based around the term's value: Compassion. I have been stunned by the quality of art work in all classes. This will soon be added to the class pages on our website, so please do check these.

It has been a pleasure to welcome four new staff members to our team this week. Below are some brief introductions that I would like to share with you:

Caroline Kennett is our new office administrator. Caroline works on a Monday and Thursday:

Hello to everyone at St Mary's - it's nice to meet you all on paper or screen for now but hopefully it will be in person soon. My name is Caroline Kennett (or Mrs Kennett) and I'm so pleased to have joined the school office team as the new Administration Assistant. I've had a couple of days in the office now and am starting to feel settled into my new role - it's been great meeting both the staff and children so far, and hopefully it won't take me too long until I remember everyone's names! I live not far away, in Long Ashton, where my 2 daughters are nearing the end of their time at Primary school (in Years 6 and 4). I've loved being a part of their school community as a parent, and watching them and their friends as they have grown and progressed all the way from Reception to now, so I'll look forward to watching your children as they make the same journey. Anything I can help with please let me know!

Abbie Selby is our office administrator and finance support worker. Abbie works on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday:

My name is Abbie Selby and I am the new School Business Support Officer at St Mary's Primary School. I am very pleased to have joined your school community. I have been working as a bookkeeper for 9 years and have just completed my AAT qualifications.

I am looking forward to putting these new skills to good use for the school.

Dates for your diary:

W/b Monday 14th June

Health and Well-being Week

W/b Monday 21st June

Refugee Week

Friday 25th June

Sports Day

Tuesday 29th June

Reserve Sports Day

Monday 5th July

Governors Meeting

Friday 9th July

End of year Reports go home

Friday 9th July

Summer Fair

Monday 12th July

Share My Learning Journey on class pages on our website

Tuesday 13th July

Transition Afternoon 1.15-3pm
Teddy Bears picnic for new Reception children

Wednesday 14th July

Year 6 Leavers Service

Thursday 15th July

Year 5/6 'Class Camp'
(day adventure/evening celebration)

I live with my husband and two children. I love to go for long walks in the countryside especially through the woods. I have just spent the week camping and walking in Scotland. I enjoying reading books especially detective novels and books about the environment.

Introducing the New School Business Manager

Hello, my name is Neill Bird and I am delighted to have joined St Mary's CE Primary school this term as the new school Business Manager.



I have previous experience in this position and before joining St Mary's I worked in a large secondary school for 10 years. I have also been a school Governor for a number of years in both primary and secondary schools. Earlier in my career I worked for Lloyds Bank and the police. In my spare time I enjoy being active and outside. Although I am not particularly good, I like to train and take part in triathlons. I also enjoy gardening, cooking and sightseeing / travelling. I have 2 children – Lauren 22 and Samuel 19. I am really pleased to be part of the school family. I am looking forward to working with other staff at St Mary's and play my part in helping the children receive the best education they can.

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS!

We are delighted that Kerry's hard work, high standards and professionalism were recognised and celebrated this week when the department for environmental health made an unannounced visit to inspect our kitchens. They were very impressed with what they found and it was awarded the highest 5 star rating.



Lynne Giles has coordinated a week of engaging activities to promote physical and mental well-being next week which will include fruit kebab making, sports challenges, mindfulness and discussions about bullying. Please encourage your child to discuss this learning with you after school.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 16th July

Year 5/6 'Class Camp'
(day adventure)

Friday 16th July

FOSMs School Disco

Wednesday 21st July

Last Day of Term 6

