



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SOME DIARY DATES

20.4.2018 Democracy workshop with Michelle Donelan
2.5.2018 YR 1F Class Mass at 9am
7.5.2018 Bank Holiday
10.5.2018 Feast of the Ascension Whole School Mass at 9am
Saturday 12.5.2018 First Holy Communion in church
Week Beg: 14.5.2018 SATS WEEK
16.5.2018 YR 1S Class Mass at 9am
18.5.2018 Kwik Cricket Festival
Saturday 19.5.2018 First Holy Communion in church

Y4 Swanage Trip

Welcome back to all our Y4 children! We hope you've all had a wonderful time!

HEAD'S NOTES

- **A warm welcome** back to all our parents, carers and children to the start of Term 5!
- As most of you will already know, I will now be working full time in the school following Mr Croker's departure at the end of last term. I have long experience working in Catholic schools and most recently in Interim headships on behalf of Clifton Diocese. I have also had a very close relationship with St Mary's over many years as a parent, a grandparent and as a Trustee Governor for the Poor Servants of the Mother of God. I have great faith in the **governors, the staff, your wonderful children and you the parents**. With everyone working together, the potential for future success is huge. I am committed to building on all the many positives within the school whilst at the same time addressing some of the concerns and continuing to tighten processes and procedures. Some of you may have noticed this has begun with a sharper focus on children coming to lessons promptly.
- We look forward to **Mrs Howie Lee** joining the school in September as the Permanent Head teacher and governors have begun the process to appoint a permanent Deputy Head with an advert appearing next week.
- We welcome **Mr Raymond**, who has experience in senior leadership, to the school as a temporary Assistant Head until the end of the summer term.
We also welcome **Mrs Taylor** who has been taking singing with the children since September. Mrs Taylor will now also be working as a Teaching Assistant. Finally we have a new cleaner for KS1 – Mrs Reynolds who has just taken up post. **Welcome to you all!**
- Thank you to some of our PTA parents who have worked hard over the Easter break to **re-decorate our library** – located adjacent to the mobile classroom.
- **A huge thankyou** to parents who sent in sponsor money for the NSPCC fund-raising event at the end of last term. The sum raised was £567.50 – amazing! This will go towards the superb work that the NSPCC do to support children.
- **Please take care** when dropping children off at the start of the day and when collecting. The car park can be an extremely hazardous area if children are there without adult supervision. Please, please supervise children around that area as we want to make sure children are kept safe at all times.
- **Awards will continue to be posted from next week.**

AWARDS OF THE WEEK

Nursery:

1S:
1F:
2WC
2J:
2G:
3S:
3D:
3EG:
4BM:
4B:

Headteacher's Award:



YEAR 6 LEAVERS' HOODIES

Mrs Brockhurst and Mrs Parkes are organising the Year 6 leavers' hoodies this year. These will be distributed at the leaver's party on the 20th July.

All Year 6 parents should have now received the letter about this. There is a very strict time frame for ordering the jumpers. Parents must check the spellings of their children's names by 6th April and all orders must be submitted by the 27th May. There is no flexibility in these deadlines, so please make sure you order promptly.

Thank you.