



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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THIS ISSUE

Head's Notes
Diary Dates
PTA Dates

SOME DIARY DATES

25-09-18: Year 1 parents reading information evening 8.45am school hall

03-10-18: Individual and sibling group photographs for all children.

05-10-18: Harvest Festival Mass.

Young Voices

transport – if you are interested in travelling to the concert on a coach with other parents, please leave your details with the office. Mrs Morgan will be in contact if there is enough interest.

Remember we are a "device free zone" – your mobile phone should be put away when you enter the school site

HEAD'S NOTES

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, it certainly has been a very busy week at St Mary's! We waved off Year 6 on Monday as they started their journey to Simonsbath. Mrs McDonagh kept us updated with all their exciting activities and experiences. They returned safely at lunchtime into the arms of Mums, Dad's and other relatives and it will be great to have them back at school, fully rested, next week.

I have visited all the classes this week and feel like I am getting to know the children much better, although my target to learn all their names has not been met yet! I have seen lots of wonderful and exciting learning going on and I'm always cheered by the smiling faces and warm welcome that I receive in every class.

It has been a very challenging week for St Mary's. The whole community has been rocked by the Ofsted judgement and many people feel very hurt and let down. Last night, we had a Parents' meeting, at very short notice, which was very well attended and a variety of views were heard. The minutes of that meeting will be available next week, once they have been checked for accuracy.

Thank you once again to all of you who have shared your views, good or bad. Voices need to be heard in the appropriate manner. Many have commented on poor communication between school and home and a number of suggestions have been taken from you, which we plan to action. The teachers will be holding meetings in the next few weeks, to outline the learning in their classes. Details will follow. I would like to set up a Parent Forum, where each Year group has a Parent representative. This group will meet once a month with me and a Governor, to discuss issues or ideas moving forward.

I would like to reassure you that all the staff in the school are committed to doing their absolute best for your children, as am I.

Have a lovely weekend and God Bless.

Mrs Howie-Lee

AWARDS OF THE WEEK

Nursery: Maksymilian D for showing growing confidence and willingness to have a go at new things.

Class 1: Ava B for being a good team player in PE and encouraging her peers to succeed.

Class 2: Matthew W-C for being an excellent mathematician! Matthew used the class number line to solve a maths problem

Class 3: Frank E for being such a good listener in class

Class 4: Areesha F for always setting a brilliant example with her excellent behaviour

Class 5: Grace G for her enthusiasm and effort in all lessons

Class 6: Sophia F for her enthusiasm and effort in all lessons

Class 7: Conor T for great listening

Class 8: Oliver H for working hard and having a positive and responsible attitude to learning

Class 9: Nathan C for politeness, good manners and enthusiastic learning

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD: THE NURSERY