



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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## CURRICULUM NEWS



### *Crowning of Our Lady*

*Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May*

Y4 children will lead this wonderful celebration of Mary, our Blessed Lady. So far the weather is looking good so pray that the service can take place in the Junior playground. Everyone is welcome to attend. Traditionally here at St Mary's, the children bring in flowers to honour Our Lady, so we are asking everyone to bring some flowers to school. You can start to send these in from Monday but we would like all the flowers together by Tuesday afternoon. We can then arrange them in appropriate vases and containers. Please do not feel you have to bring a big bouquet of flowers as a few flowers from your garden will be as beautiful. Ask your children to help you arrange the flowers into a bunch so then they feel as they have really contributed. Traditionally, the May Alter consisted of a statue of Our Lady with primroses placed at Her feet. Many thanks.



### *Holy Communion*

Once again, many congratulations to the children making their First Holy Communion. The weather looks good so enjoy your celebrations.

### **Word** *Wednesday Word*

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday so the Wednesday Word is "Peace". We must pray for peace in our own lives and in the world. Encourage your children to promote peace and harmony for a better world.



### *Y6 SATs*

Y6 have tried very hard this week at their SATs and are relieved the week is over! They arrived at school on time each day, enjoyed their daily breakfast with Miss Collins and Mr Sims and settled quickly to their tests. The papers have been collected and will be marked externally. Parents and children will see the results in the end of year reports.

Other year groups were also busy sitting their tests this week so well done to all of them.



## French Day - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

*Jour Francais - Vendredi 25 Mai*

We are all looking forward to French Day next Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May. Children are not expected to wear their school uniform so please encourage them to dress in clothes that are French themed or in the colours of the French flag (blue, white and red). Look out for the interesting berets and moustaches! Madame Randell will be spending time with every class talking about French ways and culture. Children will be given the opportunity to taste different French foods so please let either the class teacher or Main Office know if your child has any food intolerances.

## GENERAL NEWS



### *Key Dates for your Diary*

Please take note of the following key dates for this half term:

<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Pentecost Sunday
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Uniform Sale – 3.15pm
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Y1 Liturgical Dance Performance. Parents are invited to come along to see their children at 9am in the Dining Hall. Please stay until the end of the performance to watch both classes. It should last about 15 minutes.
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Crowning of Our Lady – 9.15am – Junior Playground
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	French Day at St Mary's.
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Children from St Mary's visiting a school in France.

### **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May - School closing for Half Term-3.15pm**

<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	YR/Y1 Educational Visit to Kent Life
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Food and Fellowship at 3.15pm – More details to follow
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y3 Educational Visit Y6 Educational Visit PA selling Father's Day gifts
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Summer Fayre
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Father's Day



It has become noticeable that whilst dropping the children at school, many parents are also taking their dogs to walk in the park after school drop off. Many seem to tie their dogs to the railings at McAuley Close and even the smaller dogs seem to appear in people's arms in the parents' waiting area. Dogs are not allowed in school and should not be tied to the railings. Many children are afraid of dogs and should not feel threatened on the school premises. Thank you for your cooperation.



### *CONGRATULATIONS! Competition Prizes*

Children from all year groups took part in the Knights of St Columba Christmas Nativity Art Competition at Christmas. Many congratulations to the following children who won first prize for their Nativity picture. They all received W H Smith vouchers.

Class A-Isla Pinnock

Class B-Ayomide Agunblade-Bramms

Class C-Ava Tremain

Class D-Rosa Barnes

Class G-Nicole Kelleher

Class H-Missy Martinez

Class I-Maya Szmanska

Class J-Anna Dawson

Class K-Rose McMillan

Class L-Ella Essam

Class M-Clara Collyer

Class N-Chloe Elliott

Please note that Y2 did not participate as they were concentrating on their Nativity Production.



### *Parking Update*

Parking around St Mary's continues to be an issue. The Police are looking closely at the way parents park at drop off and pick up time so have now advised residents to take photos and make a note of registration numbers. Leaflets were distributed to our neighbours recently. Please be aware that parking tickets will be issued. The Police want to change the attitude of some of our parents who park inconsiderately so please be aware. Officers will be walking around at different times as they feel there have been lots of reminders in the newsletter but the problem is ongoing. It seems a particular problem around St Mary's and the Police want to put a stop to it.



## *Uniform Sale*

Mrs Kingdon and the Faith Friends are holding a second hand uniform and book sale on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 3.15pm. Come and have a browse as there will be lots to choose from. Any items that have not been claimed from the lost property will go into the sale or we will pass them onto charity. If you have items that your children have grown out of please donate them as many items are needed for the sale

## **GET INVOLVED!** *PA Events*

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June** The PA have said that the 'Dad's Cup' is gaining interest so be quick and get your team together! The 5 a-side Football Tournament in Eltham Park South is due to take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm-4pm. The idea is to have 1 team (7 adults per team) from each year group, from Nursery to Y6, appoint your captain and register your interest by emailing [stmaryspaeltham@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryspaeltham@gmail.com). There will be a prize for the winning team and a prize for the best supporters!

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June** Father's Day Gifts on sale. Please let the PA know if you can volunteer as they are looking for help.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June** The St Mary's Annual Summer Fayre. Please refer to the email from the PA this week regarding the donations to the Summer Fayre. The ladies in the PA are working really hard to make this event a great day so please help in any way you can. Look out for any information that the PA put together and you will know exactly what is going on. More details will go in the newsletters so keep your eyes peeled.

With every blessing

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