

# St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



13th January 2023



**Year 4 learning about  
'reporting' &  
interviewing each  
other**



Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your support through the parent survey and your messages of good luck to our staff team during our Ofsted Inspection, which took place on Tuesday & Wednesday. We are incredibly proud of our children & I look forward to sharing the official outcome with you in approximately four weeks.

## DOMVS Writing Competition

Some of our Year 4 children entered the DOMVS writing competition in December. Well done to Neve W & George R who were both awarded certificates of achievement for their stories this week. Neve received her certificate virtually from Lord Julian Fellowes.



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## Job Vacancy at Haycorns pre-school

**Haycorns pre-school are advertising for a new pre-school Assistant to work Monday mornings 8.45am-1.00pm.**

**A Childcare qualification is desirable & the salary will be £10.50 per hour.**

**If you would be interested in this role, please contact the school office for an application form. Closing date is Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.**

**Interview & start date to be confirmed on application.**

We have been contacted by a local resident highlighting how worried they were about the parking & driving at drop off & pick up times around St Mary's. I have also patrolled the area, so please can we ask parents to drive slowly, park considerately & safely and take into account the new Highway Code rules. The two most relevant new rules for around St Mary's are:

**Rule H2 (Pedestrians Crossing):** Highlighting that at junctions, drivers should give way to pedestrians crossing or waiting to cross on a road into which they are turning.

**Rule H3 (Cyclists Priority):** This rule highlights the new priority that cyclists and horse riders have when vehicles or motorcycles are turning. When a vehicle is now turning into or out of a junction, as well as changing direction/lane, they are not allowed to cut across vulnerable road users like cyclists and horse riders, but instead, should give way to them, regardless of whether they are on a cycle lane, or riding ahead of them on the road.

Many thanks for keeping the children safe.



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## Upcoming Events

### Parent Workshops

The first of our three parent workshops is next Friday on the topic of Maths, please do come along.

### Parent Evenings

Parents Evenings will be held during 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> February, teachers will send you further details via Goggle Classroom.

Date	Event
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Parent Workshop on Maths. Focus on times table expectations for year groups & the structure of Power maths. All year group parents welcome – 9-9.30am in our Kidszone building
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Parent Workshop on Phonics through the age ranges and the relationship between phonic learning and spellings. All year group parents welcome – 9-9.30am in our Kidszone building.
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Parent Workshop on Reading. Focus on how to model reading at home. All year group parents welcome – 9-9.30am in our Kidszone building.
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> -Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parent Evenings – further information will come out via your child's Goggle Classroom
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Children finish for Half Term holidays

Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Teacher Training Inset Day – School Closed
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Children return to School
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	World Book Day – more information to follow.

Reminder of our start times at St Mary's – classroom doors open at 8.40am & registers are taken at 8.50-8.55am – many thanks.



This week's Kids Corner comes from Year 2, letting us know what they have enjoyed learning & doing this week.

*I enjoyed counting up to 80 in maths & playing with my friends in the playground*  
Clemmie

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I liked getting the right words in English when writing 'How to make a bird feeder'

Luka

I love playtime with my friends, we plays lots of different games

Toby

I enjoyed RE, I love books & we were writing & sticking in pictures about the Old & New Testaments

Esme

**This week's 'a lot of laughs' comes from Year 2:**

What did the bus driver say to the frog?

'Hop on!!'



Have a good weekend.

*P. Fearn*

Paula Fearn  
**Headteacher**