

St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



14th October 2022



Year 4 working as teams in adding & subtracting four digit numbers & in rugby



Dear Parents

This week we invited parents of prospective Reception class children into St Mary's for our Open Morning. We were so pleased to see so many parents & to be able to showcase our facilities & our lovely school. A number of Year 4 children helped during the Open Morning by telling the parents about what they love about St Mary's and then walking round with them on the tours of St Mary's. They talked confidently about Trick Box & how it supports their wellbeing. How they enjoy using our swimming pool, forest school, how Kidszone works & all the trips & events that they take part in. They were all brilliant, we were very proud of them.

Thank you to & Mrs Bentley & Mrs Buddin from the PTA who helped with our teas & coffees for our Open Morning.

Thank you for all the food donations for our Harvest Assembly, these will be delivered to the local food bank for the local community. We are very keen to show parents what the children have been doing with Harvest & our Laudato Si projects at our parent assembly this afternoon.

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Our after school clubs have been running well, our Care in the Community club has been visiting the residents at Culliford House Residential Home, this week they took them cards & Halloween pumpkin pictures that they had made. The children played games with the residents and listened to Margaret, one of the residents, who told the children that she had seen a King crowned, then Queen Elizabeth II & will see our new King Charles crowned.



Book of Remembrance

Our talented TA Mrs Hunns has made a beautiful Book of Remembrance of Queen Elizabeth II from drawings & thoughts from the children at St Mary's.

This book will be held by our Academy.



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Upcoming Events

Nursery Rhymes – Next week

Haycorns & Reception Class will be having their Nursery Rhyme week, learning lots of nursery rhymes & the actions to the songs. Parents of those in Haycorns & Reception Class are invited to come along & see the children performing next Wednesday 19th October at 2.45pm – further information will be on Tapestry – we look forward to seeing you.

Our non-uniform clothes day is next Thursday 20th October, raising funds for new playground equipment.



Event	Date
Fri 14 th Oct	Harvest & Laudato Si Assembly – parents are invited to join us to see what the children have been doing – 2.30pm
Week 17 th Oct	Nursery Rhyme Week for Haycorns & Reception Class
Wed 19 th Oct	Nursery Rhyme assembly for Haycorns & Reception Class parents – come along & see the children performing at 2.45pm
Thurs 20 th Oct	Non-uniform day (home clothes) – if possible we would ask each child to bring in a £1 donation towards new playground equipment
Thurs 20 th Oct	Children finish for half term
Fri 21 st Oct	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Mon 31 st Oct	Staff Training Day – School Closed
Tues 1 st Nov	Children return to school
Fri 4 th Nov	Year 4 children visiting Community Café at Manor Park School - afternoon

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Thurs 17 th Nov	French Breakfast at St Mary's School – details to follow
Fri 25 th Nov	'Bling your Bike' – children to decorate their bikes & bring them into school – some prizes available for the best decorations
Mon 28 th Nov	Individual school photos being taken (plus photos with other siblings at St Mary's)
Mon 12 th Dec	PTA Christmas Shop where children can buy Christmas presents – details to follow



Kidszone Corner

This week the children in Kidszone have been busy making & hanging Harvest & Halloween decorations. They look amazing.

The children have also been practising on TT Rock Stars with the children taking it in turns to be the Teacher.



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This week's Kid's Corner comes from Year 4, letting us know what they have enjoyed learning & doing this week.

I enjoyed subtracting
in power maths. I
remember how to
use mental
calculations and
column methods

Violet

I like playing rugby
and helping my
friends.

Evelina

I have enjoyed our
evaporation science
experiment where we
put a glass of water
by the window. We
are observing it
closely to see what
happens. My
prediction is that
every day the water
will go down by an
inch.

Charlie

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I have enjoyed writing
a story about a polar
bear.

Ava

This week's 'a lot of laughs' from Year 4:

Why can't you play games in the jungle?

Because there are too many Cheetahs!



Have a good weekend

P. Fearn

Paula Fearn
Headteacher