



NEWSLETTER ISSUE 18: 14th June 2019

Dear Parents,

We had our new parents meeting on Wednesday and I would like to welcome all the new families joining our school family in September. We wish all our new pupils well, as they begin their induction sessions and the first steps on their educational journey.

I would like to invite you all to the annual 'Catholic Children's Society' Mass' at St Mary's Catholic Church on Killigrew Street on 19th June at 5:00pm. The school and parish have been asked to host this special celebration, so we would like to see a really good turnout from our pupils and their families. The children will need to wear their school uniform and be there by 4:45pm. There will be light refreshments served in the hall afterwards. Since the letter went out the response has been very poor, so I would be really grateful for your support in attending this special celebration.

Sadly Miss Buscombe, Mrs French and Ms George will be leaving at the end of this academic year due to promotion and for Ms George to commence her teacher training course. Their contribution to our school has been enormous and they will be sadly missed by all. If you would like to contribute to a leaving gift, please hand any donations into the School Office.

We will be interviewing over Monday and Tuesday of next week to fill the teaching vacancies, so please keep our school in your thoughts and prayers. The teaching assistant vacancy for 15 hours a week is currently being advertised and the closing date is 28th June.

Warm regards

Jacqui Scarborough

June		
19 th	Class 4 to Truro Museum	
	Mass at St Mary's Church/Diocesan Childrens' Society @ 5pm	
20 th	Penryn College Induction Day Y6	
21 ^{s†}	STEM Project - Class 5 - Watson Marlow	
28 th	FOSMs Summer Fayre	
July		
2 nd	Apostleship of the Sea Workshop with Class 5	
	Parent Consultation Meetings from 3:40pm	
3 rd	Class 1 to Trebah Gardens	
4 th	Parent Consultation Meetings from 3:40pm	
5 th	CAFOD Assembly - Climate Change	

DIARY DATES

8 th	Apostleship of the Sea Assembly	
	Class 3 to Flambards	
9 th	KS2 SATs Results published	
10 th	Year 5/6 performance	
11 th	Ice Cream Van for winning house	
	Class 4 to Chysauster	
12 th	Leavers' Mass	
15 th -19 th	Transition Week for year 6 pupils at Falmouth School and Penryn College	
	Prayer Space with theme of Transition	
	Shuffle-up Week for all classes	
17 th	End of term Mass	
18 th	Teddy Bears Picnic (New Reception)	
19 th	Break up at 1:30pm	

ADVANCE NOTICE OF INSET DAYS- 2019-20

Advance notice of INSET Days for the Academic Year 2019-20 **4th September 2019 28th October 2019 6th January 2020 24th February 2020 1st June 2020 23rd July 2020** (Dates are given in good faith but may be subject to change and advance notice will be given of any changes.)

FOSMs

Dress Down Days in support of donations for the Summer Fayre. 21^{st} JuneBottles 28^{th} JuneCakes (bought/homemade)

Please bring all donations to the front of the school on the Friday mornings where a FOSMs member will be there to collect. Old school uniform and books can be brought any week. If any parent/guardian/family/friends work in any businesses that could donate any prize or voucher for the raffle, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for supporting our school. Monies raised will go towards outdoor essentials, a quiet memorial area and shaded areas.

If you are able to help setup, clear away and run any stalls please let Kate Webb or Tracy Watson know or leave your name at the school office.

SUMMER FAYRE - Friday 28th June - after school

We desperately need more adults to help in the mornings on the Walking Bus. Please let the School Office know if you can help, even if it's just one morning a week.

REVISED ANNUAL REPORT FORMAT

Please note that the format for the Annual Report to Parents has been changed this year in line with efforts to reduce workload for teachers. The opportunity for termly face to face meetings with your child's/children's class teacher provides another opportunity to discuss your child's progress throughout the year.

VOLUNTEERS

Are you able to help?

We're looking for volunteers;

- to hear readers in classes
- to make phonics resources for KS1
- on the 'Walking Bus'
- to be on standby to cover for other volunteers who help with supervision on the swimming coach
- to help with transportation to sporting events

Transition to Falmouth School and Penryn College

Our Year 6 pupils attending either Falmouth School or Penryn College will begin their transition the week beginning the 15th July 2019 for the whole week. They will be leaving St Mary's on the 12th July. Further details will follow soon.

Nun on the Run!



Sister Augustine from the Parish ran the Dorchester race. She has presented the school with a generous donation and we are extremely grateful to her for her generosity.

Thank you also for the beautiful books donated to the school.

Margaret Wright

I attended the funeral of Margaret Wright last week. She died at the amazing age of 101 years old. Margaret loved the school and before she passed away asked for donations after the funeral to go towards St Mary's School for the benefit of the children.



<u>Porthpean</u>

Last week Class 6 had a tremendous three days away at Porthpean. All the children showed courage and determination in having a go at all the activities, including coasteering, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, climbing and high ropes. Despite getting soaked to the skin by the rain on Tuesday, no-one's spirits were dampened and they had a fabulous experience and hopefully created lots of lasting memories over the three days. Class 6 also shone as an example of good behaviour, good listening and politeness throughout and we couldn't be more proud of them all.

Thank you to the staff who accompanied the class; Mr. Boyes, Mrs. Higham, Ms. Martin, Mrs. Pipkin and Mr. Blakely May.



Walk to School and Shoesday Tuesday

Thank you so much for all of you who supported the walking bus and walked to School on Tuesday Shoesday. It was fantastic to see so many of you walking to school in your favourite or most unusual shoes, with a very enthusiastic Billy Boots. We counted 89 children and 40 adultssuch a great turnout in not so great weather.

A special thank you to Mrs Butterly and her team of helpers who drive the bus from 8:30am everyday, rain or shine.



<u>Coin Trail</u>

This popular fundraiser took place before half term. The images made up of coins collected by the children were simply amazing!



Reception Class

Class 1



Class 2

Class 3



Class 4

Class 5



Class 6



The winning design from Class 3 WELL DONE to all classes!

First Holy Communion 2019



Congratulations to Lorenzo, Noah, Henry, Theo, Gabriel, Duncan, Felix, Amelia, Josef, Brennan and Joshua who made their First Holy Communion on Sunday 19th May 2019.

Class 4 Gardeners

Class 4 spent a very enjoyable and productive day in Queen Mary Gardens, completing the final leg of their community gardening project. The children planted around 2000 plants in their allotted bed and already their hard work is starting to show. Please take the time to visit the gardens near Gyllyngvase Beach and enjoy the fruits of their labour!



Captain's Table

w/b 10 th June 2019	Class One
St Mary's Super	Molly D
Stars	Daisy
	Violett
	Cohen
	Thea
	Scarlett
)	Freddie

Epilepsy Action

A free family fun day out is to be held at Duchy College Rosewarne (near Camborne) on Saturday 23rd June in support of families living with epilepsy.



<u>Carnon Downs Drama Group (CDDG</u>) - would like to invite any children to participate in a Summer Drama Club, aimed at young people aged 8-18 years. Through drama games, improvisation and learning acting techniques the group will be creating a play in a week! It will be a fun-filled, fantastic experience for children of all ages to learn all aspects of stage craft and to build their confidence in stepping out on to the stage.

Please note that signposting to any activities/services by St Mary's School does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation. It is recommended that parents/carers make their own enquiries to satisfy themselves as to the suitability of these. Under no circumstances will either St Mary's School or Plymouth CAST accept responsibility or liability for any such activities/services