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May 2022

Children are welcome to wear summer uniform from 1st May—21st October .

Girls can now wear a blue gingham summer dress, boys are welcome to wear plain white short sleeved polo shirts without a tie. Children are also welcome to wear royal/ cobalt blue cardigans (please do not buy navy blue) these should be available at Asda.

We are very conscious of cost but would appreciate it if all children who wear a hat could wear a St Mary's baseball cap. They look very smart if everybody wears them and are especially valuable on school trips. They are available from Castle Sports at £5.50, and can be delivered to school for free.

We would also like to re-iterate that only plain white or grey socks are suitable for school. We are happy to leave shoes to parents discretion as we appreciate they are expensive. We just ask that shoes are plain black sensible shoes.

On PE days children can wear school PE kit to school, or a PE kit can be kept at school. The St Mary's PE T-shirt and shorts are available from Castle Sports:-

https://www.castlesports.co.uk/st-marys-school

Castle Sports & Uniform Ltd, 10 Killigrew Street, Falmouth TR11 3PG T:01326 311805 E:<u>enquiries@castlesports.co.uk</u>

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 19th May Y4 Gylly Beach Trip Fri 20th May Dress Down Day Weds 25th May Mrs De Souza (Falmouth School) to meet Y6 Fri 27th May Penryn College to meet Y6 Dress Down Day Jubilee Celebrations

Mon 30th May– Fri 3rd June HALF TERM

Monday 6th June—Inset Day

8th /13th/15th /17th June—Y6 Bikeability starts

Thursday 9th June—Class Photos Friday 10th June—School Summer Fair

Weds 15th June Y6 at Penryn College

Thur 16th June Squash Box Theatre

Friday 17th June Y4 Elemental Water Sports Day

Mon 20th-24th June Y6 at Falmouth for transition

Wed 29th June - Sports Day

Mon 4th July Y4 at Geevor Mines

Tues 5th July Reports out

Thurs 14th July Y4 Princess Pavilions

Fri 15th July Ice Cream van visits



Special Educational Needs Support

Every Thursday from 2.15-3.15 Mrs Titheridge is holding a SENCO 'drop in' session. Parents will be welcome to discuss accessing SEN support and Mrs Titheridge will be happy to answer any of your SEN

questions. Please contact Mrs Titheridge at:-

senco@st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk

Or call 01326 314540



Pupil Premium is an allocation of funding from the Government that is given separately to the main school budget.

The government provide this money to help school address the current national underlying inequalities between children eligible for free school meals (FSM) and their peers.

If you think you are eligible for free school meals please contact Cornwall Council:-

https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-andeducation/schools-and-colleges/schoolmeals/

Or email:schoolmeals@cornwall.gov.uk



Congratulations

to Lauren in Y6 who won the recent Tregoniggie Junior

Photography

Competition with her wonderful flower photograph and a £25 gift voucher !



" Hi my name is Paul and I'm the neighbourhood beat manager for the area, I will be visiting the school as often as possible to engage with the children and parents. Please feel free to come and have a chat"







We have two full time teaching vacancies for a September start. We also have a Teaching Assistant vacancy for 17.25 hrs a week, to start after half term.

Our children are well behaved and enthusiastic and the school has been rated as 'Outstanding' by Ofsted in 2009. Our SATS results have been consistently good.

Please see the link below for more information:http://www.st-marysfal.cornwall.sch.uk/web/ vacancies/596710 Closing date: May 18th (teachers) May 20th (TA)



Welcome to our wonderful Wellbeing Ambassadors



We now have a group of children in school called 'Wellbeing Ambassadors' who were chosen after a short application process by their peers in the School Council.

Their role is :

1) To spread happiness and peace throughout the school.

2) To welcome new children and staff to the school.

3) To be kind, caring and helpful towards others.

4) To always treat others as you would like to be treated yourself.

5) To promote and put into place the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing'. (Connect, Take Notice, Give, Keep Learning and Be Active)

To achieve this we have 5 themes, one for each day of the week, linked to the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing'. A group of ambassadors will run activities on the playground daily to promote these in a supportive and caring way, from yoga on Mindful Monday to making friendship bracelets on Friendship Friday.

Our ambassadors have a wellbeing display in school with their photographs and information/posters/leaflets with advice for children in school to access.

Congratulations to

Diego, Iona, Jonah, Maggie, Amelie, Bella, Delphi, James, Kajtek, Ori, Phoebe, Nadia, Noah



I am very proud of our children who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday at St Mary's Church. It was a truly joyous occasion. Lots of people commented to me on how well the children read and how beautifully behaved and reverent they were. Thank you to the parents for all your support during the

programme and on the day. Many thanks to all the people from both the school and parish that helped to make the day such a wonderful celebration.

Mrs Higham



Class 2 had a fantastic trip to the Eden Project.

We enjoyed an interactive workshop in the education centre, learning about the Brazilian rainforest, identifying a range of shelters and culminating with group den building. The rainforest biome offered opportunity to explore and learn about a variety of interesting plants and tropical trees within the layers of the rainforest, including crossing a rope bridge through the canopy layer, experiencing the humidity and identifying facts that we have been learning in class.

It was a wonderful day; the children were a credit to you, as parents and ambassadors of St Mary's School.







We are saying a sad farewell to the wonderful Mrs Higham, who is currently our Y6 Teaching Assistant.

Mrs Higham, has been a dedicated TA at St Mary's for the past 22 Years, and will be retiring on Friday 27th May.

We would like to thank her for all that she has done for our school over the years, especially her devotion to both the school and the parish. She has been our school's catechist for 10 years, preparing our children to receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion.

Mrs Higham will be greatly missed, by both the children and the staff. We wish her all the best in her retirement.



A message from the MIni Vinnies:

"Love one another as I have loved you" John 13:34-35

LATEST COVID UPDATE

The government are keen for pupils to return to school after three days of getting a positive test result, but only if they are 100% well and fit to return. If they are unwell they should stay at home. Return will be on day 4 if they are well and feeling fine.

It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

Children and young people who usually go to school, college or childcare and who live with someone who has a positive COVID-19 test result should continue to attend as normal.



We are delighted to tell you all Y6 children can have a free place on Bikeability cycle training this year! Each child will have 3 sessions. We will confirm the dates for your child before half term. Thank you for your patience www.bikeability.org.uk