



St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd September
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Go, shine in the
world and live
as Jesus lived.



Dear Parents and carers,

It was lovely to see so many parents at last Friday's Academic Review Day. It is always our aim to keep you well informed about your child's learning, and our teachers enjoyed meeting you to share this term's curriculum and what the children need to be able to do by the end of the year. A reminder that parents are invited to join us on Monday 26th September at 3pm for our school Harvest Assembly in the school hall.

With best wishes, Miss Mitchell (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

Parents Working Alongside Children in Y6...

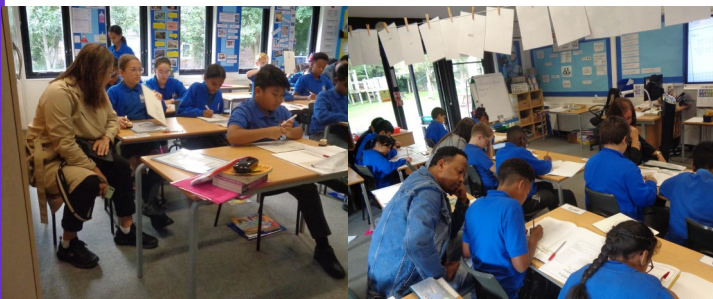
Year 6 parents joined in with a Maths lesson on Tuesday this week. Parents enjoyed the chance to see how the children learn, with many commenting on how different the lessons are to their own experience of school. Here were some of the views that parents shared with Ms Mitchell following the session...

"It was easy for the children to follow the steps and understand what to do"

"The atmosphere is peaceful and quiet, which is good for students to learn."

"I liked how the teacher taught the meanings of the words in the maths lesson"

Please take a look at the 'Important dates for your diary' overleaf to see when Parents Working Alongside Children sessions are taking place in other classes.



New Nursery and Reception children...

All our Nursery and Reception children have now started at St Mary's.

It is fantastic to see what a brilliant start the children have made and how well they have settled into the school routines. They have already shown how well they can follow the St Mary's Golden Rules!



St Mary's Family Fancy Dress Disco

Friday 14th October
6.00pm to 8.00pm
in the school hall



Fun, family-friendly
costumes!
No scary costumes please!

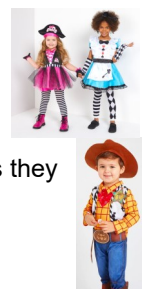
Please buy your tickets from the school office in advance. Tickets will not be on sale on the night. Buy your tickets early as they are likely to sell out!

Adults- £2.50 (includes a free drink)
Children- £1.50 (includes a free drink)

Limited tickets available due to fire regulations.

No admission for children without a supervising adult (over 18). All children must come with an adult to look after them.

Tickets on sale from the school office from Monday 26th September



Punctuality Matters...

Please help the school day run smoothly by ensuring that your child is in school on time by 8.55am, and ready for learning at 9:00am.

The school gates are open at 8.45am to enable the children to come in calmly and safely. Children get embarrassed, and sometimes upset, if they are late going into class.

Reading is the most important part of our curriculum and all children take part in reading lessons at 9am. First thing in the morning is the time of day when the children's minds are least tired and learn best. Don't let your child be the one who is missing out.



Do you have any questions about school life?

We are of course, really happy to answer any questions about school, no matter how small :) Do phone the school office to ask questions or ask to arrange an appointment to see the class teacher. If you are worried about something, see us straight away. Don't let a little worry turn in to a big one. We also like to hear your good news. It helps to keep us going with a smile :)

Important dates for your diary.....

Monday 26th September– Parents working alongside children in Y3

Monday 26th September at 3pm– Harvest Assembly (Y1-Y6) in the school hall— parents welcome to attend

Friday 30th September– Healthy Heart Day— parents are invited to join for 'Wake up, Shake up' in the KS2 playground at the start of the day.

Monday 3rd October– Parents working alongside children in Y2– invitation letters will be sent out soon.

Wednesday 5th October– Friends of St Mary's meeting – please come along if you are able to help with our Family Fancy Dress Disco — all parents welcome.

Monday 10th October– Parents working alongside children in Y4– invitation letters will be sent out soon.

Friday 14th October– Family Fancy Dress Disco — tickets will go on sale from Monday 26th September

Monday 17th October– Parents working alongside children in Y1– invitation letters will be sent out soon.

Tuesday 18th October— Reception settling in meetings— Reception parents will receive an invitation with their meeting time

Friday 21st October— Last day of this half term.

Monday 31st October— Children back to school.

Parent lunch taster session...

On Wednesday this week parents enjoyed sampling a meal from our lunch menu.

A representative from Caterlink, our catering partner, answered lots of questions about the nutritious meals that are cooked on site every day.

Please take a look at the menu on the parent noticeboards and our website.



Friends of St Mary's meeting...

We will be holding another Friends of St Mary's meeting **Wednesday 5th October at 9.05am** in the school hall to continue planning for the Family Fancy Dress Disco on Friday 14th October.



We are still looking for parents to help with asking local businesses for donations for raffle prizes and for parents to help with running stalls at the disco. Please come along to the meeting or speak to Ms Mitchell if you are able to help.

Work of the Week...

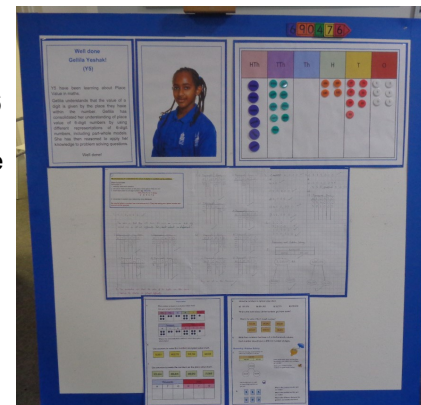
Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby.



As part of their Maths learning, Year 5 have been consolidating their understanding of place value of 6-digit numbers.

Gellila used different representations of 6-digit numbers, including part-whole models. She then applied her knowledge to problem solving questions.

Well done, Gellila!



Our prayer of the week...

A prayer of thanks for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II...

Heavenly Father,
As we remember the life of Her Majesty the Queen,
receive our heartfelt thanks for her faithfulness in serving you
and for all that she has given to her people.
Bless our nation as we mourn her death.
Comfort her family as they grieve.
And may her example continue to inspire us;
and unite us also in love and service to one another
Amen



Person of the Week!

Reception - Lucien
Year 1 - Klei
Year 2 - Lea
Year 3 - Mariam
Year 4 - Malika
Year 5 - Aya
Year 6 – Peter

