

# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017

Dear Parents / Carers

## SAFEGUARDING – KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE!

The school's Drug Education and Incident Management policy (which is available in the parents' section of the school's website) has recently been reviewed and it has been amended to state that children should not have aerosols in school. Therefore, if your child brings deodorant to use after swimming or PE, they must only bring in a roll-on deodorant.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

In order for the Breakfast Club to continue at St Mary's, we need to have sufficient numbers for a session to run. Currently the club runs on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7.55am and costs £3 per session. We are looking at requirements for September so please could you indicate on the attached form when you would like to use this club. If there is insufficient demand then we would be unable to continue with this in September which would be very unfortunate as we are aware that it is an important support for some families.

## COMMUNICATION

Please could you ensure that you check your child's bag for letters, etc. each day. We try to give at least a week's notice for events but this is not always possible so daily checking is a must!

## UNIFORM – FOOTWEAR

This week a number of children have come into school wearing different coloured trainers, which are not part of St Mary's school uniform as school shoes should be plain black footwear. Please see your child's class teacher or Miss Slack if you have a specific problem.

## ACTS OF WORSHIP

The focus for the acts of worship and prayers in class next week is "God is often found in unexpected places."

## FOSMs

Yesterday the FOSM's AGM was held – many thanks to parents who were able to attend this meeting. The committee are already beginning to discuss ideas for future fundraising events. The first event will be to support the Enterprise Fete which is being held on Friday 23rd June. In preparation for this event, we are hoping to collect food items for the tombola and any good quality second hand goods such as toys, books or games. If anyone is able to help to run a stall at this event please let Mrs Chew, Mrs Topham or Mitzi know.

FOSMs are also hoping to increase the number of people involved by setting up and using a What's App and Facebook Page for the school fundraising group. If you are happy to share your details then please fill out the reply slip at the bottom of the letter.

FOSMs will now meet on the 2nd Monday of every month during term time – please do join them if you can.

## "THE BIG TODDLE" FUNDRAISER

Our Little Lambs toddler group and Meldon class will be taking part in The Big Toddle on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June to raise money for Barnardos. Please could the children (and adults) wear bright clothes and suitable shoes. They will be exploring the school grounds and enjoying a colourful picnic to celebrate when they have completed their walk. Little Lambs need to bring £1 to take part, Meldon class will receive sponsorship forms in the coming week.

Thank you for your support for this very worthy cause.

## ATTENDANCE FIGURES

26<sup>th</sup> May – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2017

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Meldon                          | 97.54%        |
| Venford                         | 96.30%        |
| Fernworthy                      | 92.19%        |
| Burrator                        | 91.50%        |
| <b>Whole school – this week</b> | <b>94.11%</b> |
| <b>Year to date</b>             | <b>95.34%</b> |

**This Year's Target is 96%**

## FOSMs CONTACT DETAILS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Class Meldon / Venford / Fernworthy / Burrator

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 12th June - Burrator Play in a Day – Greece Lightning
- Friday 16th June - 2.45pm – Greece Lightning performance for parents/carers
- Monday 19th June – 10.00am Plymouth Diocese Year 6 Leavers’ Mass – Exeter
- Monday 19th June – 7.30pm Informal FOSMs meeting at The Globe in Buckfastleigh
- Friday 23rd June – 2.30pm Enterprise Fete and Non-uniform Day
- Monday 26th June – Bikeability Week for Burrator
- Monday 26th June – 9.15am Little Lamb’s and Meldon’s Big Toddle
- Thursday 29th June – 9.45am School Mass for St Peter and St Paul in the school hall
- Friday 30th June – FOSMs Ice cream sale
- Thursday 6th July – KS2 Swimming Gala
- Monday 10th July – SDCC Transition Week for Year 6
- w/c Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Annual Reports to be sent out
- Monday 10th July – FOSMs meeting (time and venue to be confirmed)
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July - Ivybridge and KEVICCs Yr 6 induction days
- Thursday 13th - Friday 14th July – Fernworthy Residential trip
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Meeting for parents / carers to discuss Annual Reports
- Wednesday 19th July – 1.45 pm Sports Day
- Thursday 20th July – 1.45pm Reserve Sports Day
- Friday 21st July – 9.45am End of Term Mass (school hall)  
- 2.00pm Leavers’ assembly (Songs from Joseph – School Choir, Year 6 Leavers’ Presentation for St Mary’s, Achievement Assembly and Leavers’ Awards.
- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Pupils return