

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER – FRIDAY 3RD MAY

Dear Parents / Carers

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN – Keeping children safe

Minor injuries / A & E waiting times - Torbay Hospital's Emergency Department (A&E) can be a busy place. If you have a minor injury or condition which you feel needs medical attention, but is not an emergency, it may be quicker to be seen at a Minor Injuries Units (MIU). You can check waiting times in Dawlish, Totnes, Newton Abbot and Torbay via the following link:-

<https://www.torbayandsouthdevon.nhs.uk/services/urgent-and-emergency-care/ed-miu-waiting-times>

WELL-BEING GARDEN

You may have noticed that the work is now almost complete on our well-being garden at the top of the field. Thanks to some donations given to the school and the expertise of the Abbey gardeners, this beautiful area has been created. We are having an official opening and blessing of the garden on Monday 3rd June at 2pm which Fr Francis will lead and our Mental Health Ambassadors and School Councillors will attend. Parents / carers are also welcome to join us. This area will be available for those who just want some quiet time to sit or to chat.

TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to Fernworthy Class who took part in an inter-schools tag rugby tournament this week with Buckfastleigh Primary, led and organised by Coach Ben. Everyone showed excellent sportsmanship and great behaviour throughout the tournament. Later this term, St Mary's will be hosting tournaments for Venford (Tuesday 18th June) and Burrator (Tuesday 25th June) which will involve pupils from other local Catholic schools.

MUSIC LESSONS

We offer a number of opportunities for pupils to have instrumental lessons with peripatetic music teachers during the school day (drums, guitar, piano). We have been approached by a teacher who is willing to offer woodwind instrumental lessons. If anyone would be interested in these lessons, please could you let Mitzi know in the school office and we can see if there is sufficient interest to run these sessions.

MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

A "Mothers' Prayers" group are meeting on each Wednesday at 7.30pm in Ashburton Parish Rooms. Mothers Prayers is an international movement which was formed to help those mothers who wished to pray together for their children and grandchildren and to find the support they needed.

www.mothersprayers.org

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

All clubs have started for this term - thank you to those who have signed up for and supported these. The response for some clubs has been disappointing, resulting in one club being cancelled this term due to low numbers. If there is a particular club that you would like the school to offer please let Miss Slack or Mitzi know so we can bear this in mind next term. The school councillors with also be asked for suggestions.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

26th April – 2nd May 2019

Meldon	88.14%
Venford	93.20%
Fernworthy	96.30%
Burrator	98.70%
Whole school this week	94.39%
Year to date	96.15%

This year's target – 96%

ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY

We celebrated the following successes in our achievement assembly today:

Building Learning Power – Top Scorers!

Meldon – Ayrton, Jenson Venford – Edward, Sophie
Fernworthy – Herbert, Ryan Burrator – Alice, Aidan C-W



Maths Awards

Meldon – Maria Venford – Winnie, Peter
Fernworthy – Cherry, Caoimhin Burrator – Evelyn, Jessica

Other

Saints SW – Sophia-rose, Abigail, Dexter, Stephen, Rowan
Karate – Theo S-G

