



Sports Days

KS2 Sports Day is next Thursday, 14th July, weather permitting, and will follow the same format as the Sports Day held this week:-

- 9.30 – 10.30 Carousel activities
- 11.00 – 12.00 Flat races

Particular thanks are due to Mrs Manley for co-ordinating and running the Sports day for Reception and KS1 children this week, along with the children from Fernworthy and coaches from Exeter Chiefs who helped as well.

Thank you to everyone who came to support the event.

Leavers' Assembly

*Assembly - Thursday 21st July
9.15am in the School Hall*

Parents and carers of the Year 6 children who are leaving us are invited to join us in school for this service.

Annual Reports / Meetings

As mentioned in a letter sent out earlier this week, unfortunately, due to staff absence, the distribution of the children's Annual reports will be delayed. The reports will be sent out before the end of term but this means that there will be insufficient time to offer parents / carers meetings to discuss them. The meetings will be moved to the start of next term when more time can be given to the process.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. As always, if there are day-to-day issues which need to be raised with your child's class teacher, please contact the school via phone or email so that a convenient time can be arranged for staff to contact you.

FOSMs



Summer Fete

Friday 15th July

2 – 4.30pm on the School Field



Just a reminder about the FOSMs Summer Fete:

- Stalls available to rent at £5 per table

Wanted

- Clean hummus and takeaway pots
- Good condition bric-a-brac
- Tombola items
- Helpers on the day and beforehand!

A book of raffle tickets is being sent out to each family. Please sell them if you can and return, stubs, monies and any unsold tickets to school by Friday. Tickets will also be for sale on the day.

Safeguarding

Common Sense Media

Common Sense is a leading nonprofit organisation dedicated to improving the lives of children and families by providing the trustworthy information, education, and independent voice they need to thrive in the 21st century.

The following link takes you to a very user friendly site which allows you to look at other parents' / carers' and children's reviews of movies, books and games which can help you quickly decide if the content is something you would like your child to be exposed to before they get engrossed in it!

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>

Prayer Focus

The school subscribes to a weekly booklet called "The Wednesday Word" that can be accessed on our website or via the following link:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/ neighbour?pid=MTA101634&v=65.6>

This week's chosen word is "neighbour". In this Sunday's Gospel, through the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus teaches us that every person, without exception, is our neighbour – particularly anyone in need. Jesus shows us how to be truly human and so change the world through loving and serving our neighbour.

Our prayer this week is:

Dear Lord Jesus

Thank you for teaching us how to be good neighbours. Help us to show our love through our actions and so to be respectful and caring to all those we meet.

Amen.

This Sunday is also Sea Sunday when we especially remember fishermen and all those who work at sea, including the chaplains and many volunteers of the Apostleship of the Sea who, like the Good Samaritan, show care for others by supporting seafarers.

Bikeability and Swimming

If your child returned their form for taking part in bikeability, just a reminder that they will need to bring their bikes to school on Monday morning and, if your child has received a letter about intensive swimming sessions, these also start next week.

Attendance

Here are the attendance figures for the past week:

1st – 7th July 2022

Meldon	93.38%
Venford	92.71%
Avon	95.63%
Fernworthy	97.69%
Burrator	96.43%
Whole school	
This week	95.23%
Year to date	93.73%

Sunflower Competition

Thank you again to those people who have sent through sunflower photographs. This week's entries for the competition have come from Ollie and Cici. If anyone else would like to send a photograph of their sunflower, please email this to the school admin address:

admin@st-marysrc.devon.sch.uk



Maisy Milk fundraiser

Just a reminder to save some money in an empty plastic milk bottle to support the work of the charity Aid for the Church in Need. There will be badges and certificates awarded to those children who return a container before the last day of term.



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Congratulations!

Well done to the following children who were awarded certificates in today's Achievement Assembly:

Meldon
Venford
Avon
Fernworthy

BLP
Harrison L
Rosie
Clara
Robun

WOW
Frieda
Jessica A
Scarlett
Eva R