



St Mary's Catholic School

Growing together in Knowledge, Faith and Love

Issue 3

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Important Items in this newsletter:

- ♦ Diary Dates
- ♦ Coffee Morning
- ♦ Inset Day

Star of the Week

- ★ Reception: Tallula
- ★ Year 1: Kaleb
- ★ Year 2: Jack
- ★ Year 3: Lottie
- ★ Year 4: Archie
- ★ Year 5: Lacey-Mae
- ★ Year 6: Cameron



Brighten up

We will be holding a Non-Uniform Day on 16th October to raise funds for CAFOD—a charity helping overseas communities living in extreme poverty. Children are invited to wear bright clothes. Suggested donation - £1.

Please could Year 5 bring uniform to change into for their singing concert.

INSET DAY

Next Friday 20th October is a school Inset day. School will be closed to children for the day.



Dear All

I can't believe we are a week away from half term already! Lots has happened in the last couple of weeks. We have our new school councillors who will play an important role in school ensuring the children's voice is heard. The school councillors are: Elsie and Anthony, Oliver and Hanna, Vesta and Harry LC, Lottie and Kitto, Jowan and Annabelle, Natan and Harper.

Earlier in the week we had a visit from Police Officer Candice Britten who held an assembly with the children about their role as good citizens. The children have followed this up in class which has made for some good discussions.

The swimming pool lessons are going really well, it is lovely to see how much the children are enjoying these sessions. However we only have one class where all children in the class have paid a contribution—well done Year 4! I cannot stress enough how important this is. The viability of the pool is being monitored for a year and without adequate funding the future of the pool will have to be reviewed. Payment can be made either in class weekly or in the school office.

Thank you so much to everyone who brought donations for our Harvest Festival Celebration mass. Our year 6 children have today visited the Haven, Pengarth and Penlee Care homes to deliver the food. There will also be donations given to the Foodbank and Breadline.

If your child is in KS2, now that the wetter weather is coming, please could you provide your child with a named pair of wellies so that they can use the school field during break time. It is a shame to have such a large space un-used.

Have a lovely weekend,
Many thanks
Demelza Bolton

Dinner Money

A polite reminder, please could you pay for dinner money at the beginning of the week or in the office daily. Universal free school meals is only provided to children up to year 2 or for children in receipt of pupil premium funding. If you think you may be entitled to this then please see the school office in confidence. The school cannot fund school dinners and you will need to provide a packed lunch if payment is not received.

Many thanks for your co-operation with this.

Class Attendance



Each week classes have the opportunity to win two attendance prizes. One for the best attendance and one most punctual class with the least number of recorded lates.

Well done to the following classes :

w/ending 6th October 2017

1st place Yr3 with 96%, 2nd place Yr5 with 93.7% and 3rd place Yr1 with 93.6%

Coffee Morning Drop In Group



Do you need any help, support or advice about establishing routines with your children?

If this would help you then you are invited to come to a drop in group .

On Thursday 9th November at 8.4

All are welcome and refreshments will be provided.

Mrs Szlichta was nominated in the National Teaching Assistant Award Competition.

Earlier this week she was presented with a certificate from Teaching Personnel in recognition of her work as a Teaching Assistant. Congratulations Mrs Szlichta.



Geevor Trip Y4

Year 4 had a fabulous trip to Geevor Tin Mine last Friday. They enjoyed a workshop about light and then experienced what life would be like as a Miner. The weather was glorious and everyone had a wonderful day.



Year 3 Samba Lessons

Year 2 are enjoying their Samba Drumming. We have had our second week and already know the names of our instruments and learnt how to play the Samba March.



Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2017

Friday 20th October	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Mon 23rd October to Fri 27th October	All	Half Term holiday
Monday 30th October	All	Return for second half Autumn Term
Friday 3rd November	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Friday 9th November	All	Coffee Morning
Thursday 21st December to Wednesday 3rd January		Christmas Break

Spring Term 2017

Thursday 4th January	All	Return for Spring Term
Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February		Half term holiday
Monday 19th February	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Tuesday 20th February	All	Return for second half Spring Term
Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April		Easter Break

Summer Term 2017

Monday 16th April	All	Return for Summer Term
Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June		Half term holiday
Monday 4th June	All	Return for second half Summer Term
Monday 23rd July	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Tuesday 24th July	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Wednesday 25th July	All	Break up for the Summer Holidays

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