



St Mary's Catholic School

Growing together in knowledge, faith and love

9th February
2018

Star of the Week



Week 1

Reception: Gracie- May
Class 1: Natan
Class 2: Oliver
Class 3: Gustas
Class 4: Megan
Class 5: Lillie
Class 6: Erikas

Week 2

Reception: Anastasja
Class 1: James
Class 2: Oriane
Class 3: All class 3
Class 4: Vesta
Class 5: Hania
Class 6: Josh

English Experts

Class 1: Oliver for creative sentences using adverbs
Class 2: Lily-Rose for having a great try at SATs practice papers
Class 3: Brooke for trying really hard with understanding onset and rhyme in our poetry writing
Class 4: Jack for trying really hard with his persuasive poster
Class 5: Frankie for using amazing figurative language in his writing
Class 6: Josh for writing a fantastic story opener with wonderful word choices

Maths Masters

Class 1: Jesse for being really focused in Maths and making great progress.
Class 2: Kitty for fantastic understanding of statistics.
Class 3: Evie for being a brilliant mathematician in all areas.
Class 4: Keeley for methodical work in expanded and short multiplication.
Class 5: Lacey- Mae for showing enthusiasm by doing calculations at home voluntarily.
Class 6: Tazeena for scoring 100% in her arithmetic test!

Dear All

I cannot believe that we are half way through the year already and I would like to thank you for your support so far this term. As you know, we are still waiting for our second HMI visit but continue to be supported by our School Improvement Officer, Mary Cox and our IAB.

Thank you to everyone who put themselves forward for Governor nomination. We have four parents who are interested. After half term, letters will be sent home with each of their manifestos and you will be able to vote on your preferred candidate.

I am very pleased to see that alongside our parent newsletter we also have our first children's one this year, which has been put together by our librarians.

The children with responsibilities in the school are looking very smart with their new badges. These are for the School Council, Worship Group and Librarians. Please could you make sure your child wears these at all times if they are part of any of the above groups.

I am delighted to tell you, we will be starting family swimming sessions every Tuesday, these will need to be booked through the school office in advance.

I would like to wish you all a restful half term break and look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Tuesday 20th February.

Best wishes
Demelza Bolton
Headteacher



INSET DAY

Reminder to parents that Monday 19th February is a school Inset day. School will be closed to children for the day.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Reception	92.9%	5th
Class 1	94.6%	Joint 3rd
Class 2	96.0%	Joint 1st
Class 3	95.2%	2nd
Class 4	96.0%	Joint 1st
Class 5	94.6%	Joint 3rd
Class 6	93.7%	4th
Overall school	94.7%	

Our school target is 96.5%

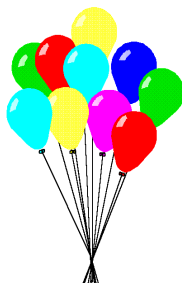
Swimming Parties

Would you like to hire the swimming pool for a child's party?

£45 to hire with a lifeguard.

To enquire please contact

Lisa on 078777 31624



Family Swim

Every Tuesday after the half term holidays we will offering a

family swim session from 3.30- 4.30pm.

Cost: £2.50 per adults and £1.50 per child. Children must to be accompanied by an adult regardless of their swimming ability. Please book the session in school office, payment will be required at the same time and will be on a first come, first serve basis.



Penzance Cornish Language Weekend

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A Cornish language treasure hunt for all the family on Saturday 24th February 2018 from 1pm - 3pm.

The treasure hunt will depart from The Exchange Gallery, Prince's Street, Penzance and is free to attend, no booking required. Just turn up!

Our children in Years 3 and 4 have designed part of the treasure hunt along with the organisers and their art work can be seen around

Penzance. Keep an eye out!

Family Clinic

Mrs Phillips, our family liaison worker, who is often seen on the school gate in the mornings, is available to meet any parents who might have any questions or concerns. This may be about their child's attendance or would simply like to chat about anything which might be affecting their child in school. She can be found in the Storytelling room after school on Wednesdays until 4pm, no booking necessary.

Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor assistant- 5 hours per week, for further details please contact school office on 01736 330005.

Chartwell Taster Session

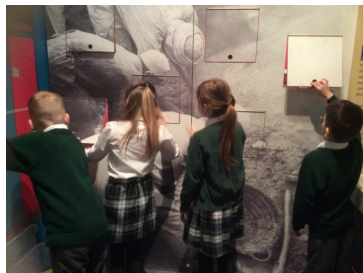
On Friday 2nd March the children will be enjoying healthy eating workshops with Chartwells. Following this, they will be providing a parent taster session at 2.30pm in the hall. All welcome!

Year 3

Monday 5th Year 3 visited St Just Miners' chapel for an Organ workshop. We learnt all about the history of the Organ. We also looked at all the individual pipes and had a look inside an organ. We had a fantastic time!



Wednesday 7th - Class 3 visited the Royal Cornwall Museum for an Ancient Egyptian workshop. We discovered lots of facts about the mummification process and learnt about a man called Iset-tayef-nakht. We also looked at lots of old Egyptian artefacts.



Our Hockey team are looking fabulous in their new St Mary's kit!



World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 1st March. The children can dress up as their favourite book character and we have an author, Chris Higgins coming in to work with each class. Chris will be selling books on the day and these can also be pre-ordered.



Coffee Morning Drop In Group

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

Sue Cripps, a family support worker, will be holding a drop-in session for parents on Wednesday 28th February at 9 am

All are welcome and refreshments will be provided.

We will be holding a Non-Uniform Day on 23rd February to raise funds for CAFOD - a charity helping overseas communities living in extreme poverty. Suggested donation - £1

CAFOD
just one world

Aspire
not to
have more
but to be
more

Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2018

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
Tuesday 27th February	Year 4	Curriculum Assembly
Thursday 1st March	All	World Book Day
Wednesday 7th March	All	World Maths Day
Wednesday 7th March	All	Reports out
Thursday 8th March	Year 3	Curriculum Assembly
Tuesday 13th March	All	Parents Evening
Wednesday 14th March	All	World Science Day
Wednesday 14th March	Year 2	Curriculum Assembly
Thursday 15th March	All	Passiontide Mass in school 9.30am
Thursday 15th March	All	Parents Evening
Wednesday 21st March	Year 1	Curriculum Assembly
Wednesday 28th March	Reception	Curriculum Assembly
Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April		Easter Break

Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April	All	Return for Summer Term
Thursday 26th April	All	Easter Mass in Church 10am
Week Beginning 14th May	Year 6	SATs week
Week Beginning 7th and 14th May	Year 2	SATs weeks
Thursday 24th May	All	Mass of Our Lady in School 9.30am
Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June		Half term holiday
Monday 4th June	All	Return for second half Summer Term
Friday 29th June	All	St Peter and Paul Mass in Church 10am
Thursday 19th July	All	Leavers Mass in School 9.30am
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