

End of School Year NEWSLETTER

Year in Review

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of a super busy term and the 2025/26 year. What a lot we have packed in! I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year back and seeing how much the children have grown – not just in their learning, but in self confidence, friendships and determination to be the best versions of themselves. Here are just some of the things we have achieved this year:

Refreshed the PTA with the aim of raising money, but also making things more manageable for its members. Discos, bake sales and stalls have raised enough money to buy the Year 6 leavers hoodies and treats for their leavers celebration, new St Piran's day festival jumpers, a new school banner, St Mary's feast day treats for the whole school, new disco lights, craft activities for lunchtimes and swimming noodles for the pool. Next year, we would like to raise enough for new bike and scooter shelters. See Mrs Ede or Miss May if you'd like to join the PTA. Developed the school playgrounds. We have used the rest of our sports premium funding to buy new gym and activity stations for KS2 to use. Now they have plenty to keep them fit and occupied during breaks and lunchtimes. Next year, we want to develop the KS1 playground, buy new goal posts for football and netball and buy some more sun shelters.

Reopened the pool again! We are delighted to have Sam our lifeguard and pleased to say he is continuing with us in September. All classes have had a 6 week block of swimming this year, plus extra free swims for great attendance etc. Next year, we want all classes to have at least two intensive/longer blocks of swimming, to make sure everyone can swim 25m before they leave Year 6.

Made the uniform less expensive. The uniform was made more simple and cheaper to buy back in January. The list was sent to you again with your child's school report. Remember not to worry if your child is still in the old uniform – wait until they have grown out of what they are wearing before switching to the new list.

The list goes on ... but none of it is possible without the hard work and determination of our staff. They have worked incredibly hard to support and care for the children and I am very grateful for their dedication to the job and support for St Mary's.

Thank you to all the families for their contributions in making St Mary's the best school it can be. Good luck to our Year 6 children and hope you all have a fun summer holiday!

Best wishes,
Miss Teixeira

Reminders

We look forward in welcoming you all back on **Thursday 3rd September.**

Uniform link –

<https://st-mary-rc.eschoolswebsites.com/uniform>