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Dear Parents / Carers,

Time is certainly flying by this school year. I cannot believe that we are about to enter the final few weeks of the school year! Thank you for all of your support which you give to our school, our staff and your children. It is very much appreciated by all.

The children have certainly been learning lots about the wider world this last term. Each class learned about a different geographical area of the world – from the Arctic polar region to the Australian Great Barrier Reef, from the Brazilian rainforest to the deserts of Mexico, as well the mountains of Kenya and the forests of Canada. In the coming term, they will learning about different periods and key events in History.

What gives me, and all staff and visitors, is the joy for learning our children have. They love to tell us all new things they have learned and to show off their learning across all subjects.

On behalf of all the staff, I hope you have an enjoyable month of June and we look forward to celebrating children's learning with you all on a Friday Celebration Assembly at 2.40 pm each week.

Mr Joseph O'Connor

Safeguarding at St Mary's

If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding, please contact our designated safeguarding Team. At St Mary's our safeguarding lead is Mr. J O'Connor, safeguarding officer is Miss C Queen and deputy-safeguarding officers Mrs. M Steeper. Level 3 safeguarding trained are Mrs R Walton, Miss J Briscoe and Miss B Cullum. Mrs K Tuff is our well-being, personal development and RE lead.



Dates for the Diary

Monday 3rd June School Back Open And

Year 4 Multiplication Check begin.

Thursday June 20th

Shared Liturgy with St Joseph's for the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Friday 21st June
Sports Day (back up 5th July)

Monday 1st July

Year 6 Briars Trip

Thursday 4th July
Year 6 Leavers Mass 1:30

Thursday 11th July End of Year Mass

Tuesday 16th July
Careers Day

Thursday 18th July Leavers Assembly 9:30

Friday 19th July Whole School Certificate Assembly 9:30

1:30 Whole School Liturgical Prayer Service

School Closes for Summer half term.



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Coffee Morning

Coffee Morning Every Tuesday at 9.15am in the Hall. If you are a parent or carer at St Mary's, please come along to our coffee morning every Tuesday. There are toys and mats out if you have younger children with you too. The session is yours, you can use if for catching up with friend or if you need any help and support we can try and help. We are joined by Ryan from the YMCA and Godwin from Care Plus and also Nicola and Ali from NSPCC.





Warmer Weather

With the warmer weather arriving - Please apply sun cream to your child before they come into school. Please also send your child in with a hat which is named as our field will be used for break and lunch times. For Nursery and Reception only, you can send in your child's sun cream, this must have their name on it. We have plenty of shaded areas for your child to enjoy, and we always ensure water is available. The office does not hold or keep any sun cream. – Thank you

Afterschool Clubs and Breakfast Club Please pay via ParentPay, both clubs will start back Monday 3rd June.

Monday -Multi-Sport for Reception to Year 2

Tuesday -Hama and Lego bead for Year 1 to Year 3 Dance for Year 1 to Year 6 Computing/Coding for Year 3 to Year 6

Wednesday -Team Sports for Year 3 to Year 6

Thursday -Hama and Lego bead for Year 4 to Year 6 Yoga for Year 1 to Year 6







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Free School Meals

As you may be aware when your child moves into year 3 in September they will no longer be entitled to a Free School Meal under the Universal Free School meal scheme.

If your child currently has school meals, there will be 3 options for you from September 2024.

- 1. You can send your child with their own packed lunch each day.
- 2. You can pay for your child to have a school meal through the Meal selector, this is the same company you order your meals through at present.
- 3. If you are entitled to Benefit Free School meals you can continue to order meals through the meals selector but just select the free school meal option.

If you are unsure if you are entitled to free school meals please pop to the school office to fill out a form, we will scan it and send it to the council for you. Although September seems a long way away, applications for free school meals do take a bit of time to process so the earlier you apply the better. This will also give us time to let the caterers know that your child is entitled to Free School Meals so they have you recorded in their system for when you order.

Free Milk

Free Milk does end when your child is 5 years old unless your child is receiving benefit free school meals. If you wish to continue your child having milk at school and would like to pay for this, please visit coolmilk.com





Arbor APP

A message to parents and carers that ParentPay will be finishing in the next year and swapping over to Arbor. It's really important that you download the Arbor app. You can check your child attendance, update any information and soon be able to use it for payments. Please check emails especially junk folder as logins details will be sent via email.



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Teachers, school and term and holidays for 2024/2025 1 x Training Day still to be allocated NB- Training days can be subject to change

2024/25	MON	TUE	WE	D	THUR	FRI		
SEP	2	3	4		5	6		
02.	9	10	11		12	13		
	16	17	18		19	20		
	23	25	26		27	28	Term 1	
SEP/OCT	30	1	2		3	4	33 Days	
	7	8	9		10	11		
	14	15	16		17	18		
	21	22	23		24	25		
OCT/NOV	28	29	30		31	1		
001/1100	4	5	6		7	8		
	11	12	13		14	15		
	18	19	20		21	22	Term 2	
NOV/DEC	25	26	27		28	29	20 Dave	
NOVIDEO	2	3	4		5	6	39 Days	
	9	10	11		12	13		
	16	17	18		19	20		
	23	24	25		26	27		
DEC/JAN 2025	30	31			26	3		
DEC/JAN 2025	6	7	8		9			
						10		
	13	14	15		16	17	Term 3	
	20	21	22		23	24	29 Days	
	27	28	29		30	31		
FEB	3	4	5		6	7		
	10	11	12		13	14		
	17	18	19		20	21		
	24	25	26		27	28		
MAR	3	4	5		6	7	Term 4	
	10	11	12		13	14	30 days	
	17	18	19		20	21		
	24	25	26			28		
MAR/APR	31	1	2		3	4		
	7	8	9		10	11		
	14	15	16		17	18		
	21	22	23	3	24	25		
APR/MAY	28	29	30		1	2	Term 5 23 Days	
	5	6	7		8	9		
	12	13	14		15	16		
	19	20	21		22	23		
	26	27	28		29	30		
JUNE	2	3	4		5	6		
	9	10	11		12	13		
	16	17	18		19	20	Term 6	
	23	24	25		26	27		
JUN/JUL	30	1	2		3	4	37 Days	
	7	8	9		10	11	190 Days + 5 training	
	14	15	16		17	18		
	21	22	23		24	25		
	27	28	29		30	31	days	
KEY:	HOLIDAYS	BAN HOLID		SCHC	OOL DAYS	TRAINING DAY	s	



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Catholic Life at St Mary's

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord



Pupils from St Mary's and St Joseph's schools helped lead the Parish Mass for the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The Ascension takes place 40 days after Easter and marks the time when Jesus returned to heaven. This year, we are set the challenge to 'go out into the whole world and preach the gospel'. This isn't about going out and reading from the Bible to people; it's about living out the gospel in all we say and do, by valuing all in the name of Jesus the Christ. Pupils read, served, stewarded, and sang beautifully.

Pentecost



Pentecost takes place 50 days after Easter and marks the time when the Holy Spirit came in the form of wind and fire and gave the disciples the ability to speak in different languages. Pentecost is the birthday of the Church. To celebrate Pentecost, classes have been learning the Our Father in some of our community languages. Pupils have also been able to use our prayer space to write their own prayers to the Holy Spirit, decorating one of the many symbols of the Spirit and adding it to our prayer display.



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What we have been up to at St Mary's

In <u>Nursery</u>, our topic for RE was about 'Friends' we spoke about who is our friend. We drew pictures of our friends, made a friendship paper chains and then ended our lesson with a friend picnic. What a lovely day we have had.



In <u>Reception</u> our topic book has been Chicken Licken. We have been learning about the lifecycle of a chicken and all about eggs. Children have enjoyed retelling the story and finding eggs in our classroom.... which turned into a reading challenge. Children had to read their word and then put that word into a sentence.







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<u>Year 1</u> had a fantastic visit to The Deep in Hull. They are studying Polar Regions. What fantastic day and full of learning.





Year 2 in Science - children learnt that not all plants grow in soil.

They discovered new plants and found out that some are hydroponic (grown in water) parasites (grow on other plants) succulents (grown in hot dry places like deserts). Additionally, they learnt some plants are carnivorous and eat insects to survive. Well done Year 2.









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Year 3 busily using papier-mâché in Art making sculptures. Wow these look great!





Year 4 had a workshop with Opera North. This workshop was to rehearse all the songs in preparation for the performance at Grimsby Central Hall on 11th July. Also in French Year 4 looked at different food shops. Pupils designed their own supermarket shelf that included food labels.



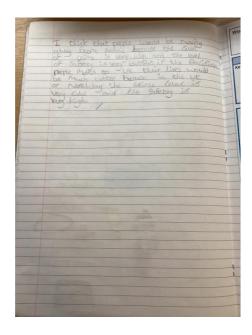


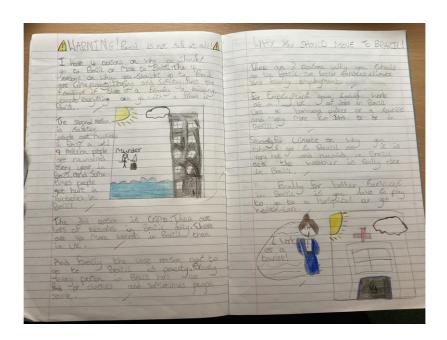




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This Pentecost Term <u>Year 5</u> children learnt about the push and pull factors in Brazil and did a poster based on their findings.





Year 6 in Geography were learning and exploring Mexico. They have been learning that Mexico is in North America and it exhibits a diverse array of geographical features.

Also well done to Year 6 for working hard and completing their SATS.





