

St Mary's Weekly

'Every Child Flourishing'



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Friday 14th July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have celebrated our Year Six pupils and their SATs results. We are so very proud of the children and their amazing achievements. A huge thank you also to the staff that have supported the children in their journey at St Mary's over the years. I cannot wait to see the production of 'The School Holiday' later today. The pupils have worked closely with Mr Ormondroyd, from West Meadows Primary, on the production. 'The School Holiday' is one of Mr Ormondroyd's productions; we thank him greatly for his time and support with this.

This week has also seen the school's annual sports day. We were delighted with the support from parents and carers too. We hope you enjoyed the event as much as we have. Pupils had a great time on their transition morning and everyone was happy and settled meeting their new teachers. We also welcomed over 200 pupils to the Matilda film night. The pupil's behaviour was outstanding and they really enjoyed their treats too. It has been a very busy week indeed.

[Extension of the school day from September](#)

In order to comply with the latest Government guidance, schools have to be open for 32.5 hours a week. From September, we will extend the school day by 5 minutes meaning our school day will run from 8:50am to 3:20pm.

Arriving before 9am is essential to a smooth start to the day. Pupils arriving late to class can affect all pupils learning. **Please ensure your child arrives before 9am through their classroom door.**

[Preloved uniform](#)

Families can take any preloved uniform what they wish. There is no charge for this- please take what you would like. Uniform donations have supported many families this year and supported families to make sustainable choices too to look after our planet.

[Absence from School/Appointments](#)

Absence procedures - If your child is absent, you must contact us as soon as possible on the first day of absence and subsequent days following, if no call the absence may be noted as unauthorised. Please provide evidence of any absences/ appointments your child attends, either text, letter or card. If no evidence is provided for the appointment the absence will be unauthorised.

[ParentPay](#)

All outstanding debts must be cleared on ParentPay, for school lunches, trips, shows, etc

[Year Six](#)

On the last day of school Year Six pupils can take part in shirt signing if they wish. Pupils can bring pens to do this from home if they wish.

Have a wonderful weekend. We shall have an action-packed last week in school next week!

Diary Dates

July

Seaside Day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 17th (a separate letter will be sent with details).

Ice Cream van 17th

Rocksteady concert 18th 2:30pm For parents and carers of pupils taking part in these sessions.

Year 6 speeches- Y6 parents welcome into school from 9:15am for a 9:30am start 19th

Year 6 Private Cinema screening at Cineworld 19th pm

Last Day of School 20th

Inset day 21st