# St Mary's Weekly

# 'Every Child Flourishing'

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Friday 29th September

Dear Parents/Carers,



Last week, we had a Safeguarding Review which was extremely successful. This includes detailed observations of everything at St Mary's and in-depth scrutiny of practice. Thank you to the Safeguarding Team for their hard work in keeping St Mary's a safe and happy place to be.

### **Harvest donations**

If you would like to donate any food to the Harvest Festival Mass please send in any foods that will keep (tins, dried food) so they can be donated to members of our community that will truly appreciate your donations. We thank you for your generosity. Our Harvest Festival Mass will be held in school for pupils on the 19<sup>th</sup> October.

# **Dinners**

School meals on Thursday are free for all! We really hope you take the opportunity to try a school meal for free.



It is also individual photo day so remember to bring your best smiles tomorrow Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. We will be open for photos with younger siblings from 8:30-9:00am. Photos with siblings in school will table place in the day.

Year 5 will have their photos taken on before setting off for swimming.

#### **PTA**

As we start the new school year, we are excited to be setting up our Parent Teacher Association again- this will further foster collaboration between Parents/Carers, teachers, and our wonderful school.

The work of the PTA will help support us in building a sense of community among Parents/Carers, teachers, and children. They will be organising events such as fundraisers and social gatherings for the children. They will also be able to support the enrichment programs for the children such as after-school clubs, cultural events, and educational visits that enhance the learning experience for the children.

We will be hosting our first meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October in the school hall straight after school. Miss Gulliver, Ms Saynor and Ms Saynor will be there to great you.





# **Diary Dates**

DIARY DATES- Here are some useful dates for your diaries already. We will provide further information about specific events nearer the time. We have lots of exciting activities in store...

# **OCTOBER**

Individual Photos – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Year 6 Skipping event at Horizon 4th October

Fair Banding Assessment with Trinity St Edwards 10:30am in school (for pupils who have opted in directly with Trinity)  $6^{th}$  October Wear Yellow for Mental Health Day  $-10^{th}$  October

Year 3 author event on Zoom with John Patrick Green 10<sup>th</sup> October

Phonics workshop for parents 16<sup>th</sup> October 5pm (Please arrive at the main school office)

Harvest Festival Mass in school 19<sup>th</sup> October

Annie Trip to Sheffield for Year Six 19th October

TT Rockstars Day 20<sup>th</sup> October

Year 5 author event on Zoom with Jack Meggitt Phillips 25<sup>th</sup> October

Autumn Disco 26<sup>th</sup> October KS1 3:20pm- 4:30pm KS2 4:45- 5:45pm

Last day before half term 27<sup>th</sup> October

# **NOVEMBER**

Year 4 parent workshop on the Year 4 Multiplication Check 2:00pm and 4:30pm 7<sup>th</sup> November

All Saints Day Mass in school 9<sup>th</sup> November

Flu Immunisations 9th November

Odd socks day to mark the start of anti-bullying week 13<sup>th</sup> November

Parents evening 15<sup>th</sup> November 3:30pm-5pm

Parents evening 16<sup>th</sup> November 3:30pm-6pm

Children in Need Day 17<sup>th</sup> November

Year 6 Robinwood parents meetings 22<sup>nd</sup> November 3:30pm and 4:30pm (kit lists will be sent prior to this date)

Year 6 Robinwood 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> November

## December

Christmas Dinner Day 6th December (Christmas Jumpers can be worn)

National Christmas Jumper Day 7<sup>th</sup> December

Advent Mass in school 6th December

Year 6 Crucial Crew Trip – 11th December

Christmas Party Day 12<sup>th</sup> December (Party clothes can be worn to school)

Christingle service at St Paul's Church (pupils only) 13<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Fayre 14th December

Afternoon production for Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5<sup>th</sup> 18thDecember

Rock Steady Concert 19<sup>th</sup> December 2:00pm (for parents and carers of pupils taking part in Rocksteady lessons).

Evening production for Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 19<sup>th</sup> December

Carols Around the Tree PM 21st December (all parents/ carers welcome)

Reception/ Year 6 Nativity at St May's Church AM 15<sup>th</sup> December (parents/carers welcome of pupils in Year 6 and Reception)

Last Day before Christmas Holidays 21st December

Yours sincerely,

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