

# St Mary's Weekly

## 'Every Child Flourishing'

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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have packed in so much this week. Last Friday, some of our Year Three pupils went to do a Colour Run at Horizon Community College and had the most amazing time. We also took all the Year Three class to our neighbours at Summer Lane Primary School to take part in an orienteering event run by Horizon. Building links with local secondary schools has been a key priority for us this year and we have been delighted to be part of many events run by the sports department at Horizon.

Tuesday, saw us host the Rocksteady concert and wow what a performance it was! The progress of the pupils is amazing, and they certainly put on a show.

Wednesday, saw Year Two take part in a Florence Nightingale Day. The children looked brilliant in costume and took part in a range of activities through the day including making bread. We have ended the week with Year Six taking part in a Stem assembly at Horizon.

We were delighted to share our Osted report with you this week. Inspectors said that 'Pupils' behaviour is exemplary'. 'Pupils say that they love coming to school' with one pupil adding that, 'I want my children to come to this school in the future; it is that good'. Again, we thank you for all your kind words of support for the school. It was said in the inspection that there 'Is a certain magic in the air at St Mary's' and we feel that every day.



### Easter Bonnet

Next Friday is our Easter Bonnet competition that will be judged by Mrs Armitage. Children can bring their bonnets on Friday for our parade and for judging. We will be sharing lots of photos on X@stmarysbarnsley.

### Lateness

Again, please ask that pupils arrive on time to school. Bringing pupils late to school is not only detrimental to your child's education but also affects the education of others in the classroom due to the disruption and lost learning. Please come and see us if you have any issues we can support with. Mrs Goodyear is always available to support with issues too.

### Lunch Payments

Can all lunch payments be cleared on ParentPay for your child's lunch accounts. Accounts should be closely monitored to ensure they do not get a debit on the account.

### New Lunch Menus

The new lunch menus have been sent on ParentPay if you would like a paper copy, please let the office know.

### Year 6 Robinwood Residential November 2024

The second instalment on ParentPay is overdue, please can this be paid up to date.

### Diary Dates

#### March

Year Four Robinwood residential 18.03.24-20.03.24

Compass Be workshops in school for Year 5 and Year 2 about pupil wellbeing and emotions 18.03.24

Ancient Egypt Theme Day- Year Three 20.03.24

Year One Easter Craft afternoon for parents/ carers 20.03.24 1:30pm

Lent/ Easter Mass in school (pupils only) 21.03.24

Easter Bonnet competition 22.03.24

Last Day of school before the end of term 22.03.24

#### April

Back in School, 8<sup>th</sup> April

Parents/ carers meetings morning option for Reception, Year 1, Years 2 and Year 3 10<sup>th</sup> April 9:00am-11:20am

Parents/ carers meetings 10<sup>th</sup> April 3:30-6:00pm all classes

Parents/ carers meetings morning option for Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 11<sup>th</sup> April 9:00am- 11:20am

Year 5 Enterprise Project Day 25<sup>th</sup> April

#### May

SATS week for Year 6 pupils 13.05.24- 16.05.24

Confirmation for Years 5 and 6 pupils at St Marys Church by Bishop Tony 19.05.24 (the date is now confirmed, time to be confirmed)

Yours sincerely,

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R. Steele Deputy Headteacher