



St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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"With Christ as our guide, we let our light shine."

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week I have enjoyed seeing such a variety of learning across the school. Our Reception class have had a memorable handling session with the new born chicks and year 6 have been investigating the difference between processed and homemade bread. On Wednesday, we waved our year 6 children off on their residential to Alton Castle. They were accompanied by Mrs Bayley, Ms White and Miss Poole. It sounds like they are having a wonderful time both trying new things and supporting one another in the activities. We can't wait to hear all about this adventure, one I'm sure which will be remembered for a long time by the children.

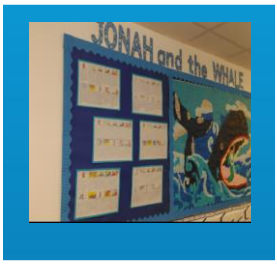
On Tuesday all classes watched the Virtual assembly delivered by the NSPCC team including Ant and Dec! The children were reminded about how to stay safe and to speak out. A really important message- please do ask them about it.

Amongst everything else, the children in year 1 have been completing their Phonics Skills Check and year 4 finalising their Multiplication Tables Check. We look forward to sharing the results with you in the end of year reports.

Have a wonderful Weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Yuen



Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion



Year 6 Residential to Alton Castle

This week year 6 pupils went off on their residential to Alton castle- a Catholic retreat centre. The children were very excited that they were going to be staying in an actual castle. We can't wait to hear all about their adventures. We have a few pictures to share for now...



Term Dates

Week beginning 10th June – Year Phonics Check
12th June- Athletics Tournament
12th – 14th June – Year 6 Residential to Alton Castle
19th June – Year 2 Grace Darling Workshop
20th June – Year 6 Big Bang Visit
21st June – Year 3 Visit to Everdon
24th June Year 4 Visit to Everdon
25th June NSPCC Speak out Stay Safe Workshops
28th June Sports Day (details to follow)
2nd July Victorian Seaside Day – Reception and year 1
8th July -Year 5 to Everdon outdoor Centre
9th July – Move up day for classes
14th July- Reports to parents

Junior Duke Challenges

We are delighted that once again we have children participating in the Junior Duke Award Scheme. Letters were sent out last week to Year 3 and it will once again be open to those in Years 4-6. More details to follow. We will be having a participation ceremony in July for those undertaking the award. This will also be an opportunity to recognise those who have achieved the next stage.



Speak Out Stay Safe assemblies

This week each class participated in the Speak out Stay Safe assembly.

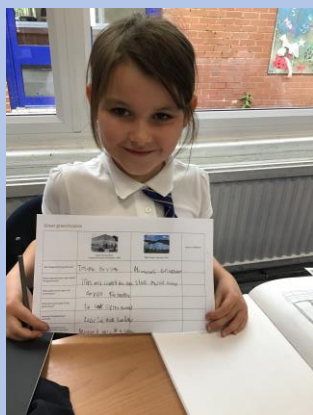
This was a virtual assembly, providing support for children to feel empowered - knowing how they can speak out and stay safe. With the help of our mascot, Buddy the speech bubble, children will know they have the right to

- speak out and be taken seriously
- be kept safe
- get help when they need it.

Please do ask your child about this. We look forward to welcoming the team into school very soon.



Year 3 Greenhouse Design and Technology Project



In our Year 3 class, the children have been researching various designs of greenhouses, as part of their Design Technology project this term. They used research techniques to compare greenhouses in the Eden Project and the Great conservatory at Chatsworth House. Looking at the designs gave them great insight into differing structures and how the design affects their purpose. Later they will be designing and making their own greenhouse.

