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,
Welcome back to the final half term of the academic year. I hope you all enjoyed a restful and enjoyable break and were able to spend some quality time together as families. It has been wonderful to see the children return to school with such enthusiasm, positivity and readiness to learn.

This week, one of the highlights was our visit to the National Space Centre for Years 3,4 and 5. The children had a fantastic opportunity to explore the wonders of space, engage with interactive exhibits and deepen their understanding of science through a range of exciting learning experiences.

The children were a credit to the school, demonstrating excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and a genuine interest in learning. We were extremely proud of the way they represented our school and embraced every opportunity the visit had to offer.

We would like to thank all staff and volunteers who helped make the trip such a memorable and successful experience. The children returned full of excitement and eager to share everything they had learned.

There is also much to look forward to over the coming weeks. Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be heading off on their residential visit. Residential experiences provide wonderful opportunities for children to develop independence, resilience, teamwork and confidence, and we know they are eagerly anticipating the adventure. We wish them a fantastic time and look forward to hearing all about their experiences on their return.

We are also excited to be holding our annual Sports Day on **16th June**. Sports Day is always a highlight of the school calendar and we look forward to welcoming families to join us and support the children as they take part in the day's events.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. Working together enables us to provide the very best experiences for our children.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Best Wishes
Mrs Yuen

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Year 5 Science: Timelines

In Year 5 Science lessons, they have been looking at Human timelines and how we change over time.

They created an agamograph, a piece of artwork that is concertina folded so that it appears different depending on the angle it is viewed. Well done for the excellent pieces created.

Key Dates

8th June – New Reception Starters parents meeting - 5pm in the school Hall
10th-12th June- Year 6 Residential -Alton Castle
16th June - Sports Day **9.30-12pm**
19th June – Maths Day- Geometrocity!
23rd June- Reception/ Year 1 Visit to Salcey Forest
2nd July - Year 2 Grace Darling / Pirates Workshop in school
3rd July - Cricket Whole school event
6th July - Transition Day
9th July Leavers' Party
16th July - Whole School Mass
17th July - Last day of term/ Leavers' Assembly

Freeze Pop Fridays

We are delighted to announce that our Year 6 pupils will be selling freeze pops every Friday as a service to our school community. This initiative provides our children with an opportunity to develop responsibility, teamwork and enterprise skills while offering a refreshing treat at the end of the week. Thank you to all families for your continued support of this event. We know the children will enjoy taking on this responsibility and appreciate your contribution in helping make it a success.

Platinum Award News

We are delighted to have received the Green School Woodland Trust Platinum Award. Well done to all the children and a special mention to Year 6 who have been busy compiling all the evidence.

Visit to The National Space Centre

On Tuesday, the children had a wonderful time visiting the National Space Centre. The trip provided an exciting opportunity to bring their learning to life and explore the fascinating world of space, science and discovery. Throughout the day, the children enjoyed exploring the interactive exhibits, learning about planets, astronauts and space travel, and discovering how scientists continue to explore the universe. One of the highlights of the visit was experiencing the immersive planetarium show, which inspired awe and curiosity in all who attended.

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