



# St. Mary's News

## May 10th 2024



### Important Dates

Wednesday 5th June 2024	Y6 Residential Holiday (5th—7th June) A separate information sheet was sent home containing all details and a suggested clothing list. If you have not received this sheet, please ask Mrs Hymers for another copy.
Friday 7th June 2024	Y4 Swimming begins—every Friday until 19/7/24 Further details will be given nearer to the time
Wednesday 12th June 2024	New Intake Meeting for Reception 2024 6pm Infant Hall Please note that this is a parents only meeting as it is a long time for the children to just sit and listen to adults talking.
Tuesday 18th June 2024	Sports Day (weather permitting)
Saturday 22nd June 2024	First Holy Communion Mass - 10.00am. Children in school for 9.00am An information sheet has been sent home containing all details. If you have not received a copy, please let Miss Gradwell know.
Tuesday 25th June 2024	Sports Day - reserve/backup day
Thursday 27th June 2024	Year 6 Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am
Tuesday 2nd July 2024	Year 5 Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am
Tuesday 2nd July 2024	Reception Class—Summer Come and Play 2.15 - 3.15pm An afternoon of fun for the parents/carers of our Reception children. Further details to follow
Wednesday 3rd July 2024	Year 4 Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am
Thursday 4th July 2024	Year 3 Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am
Wednesday 10th July 2024	Reception Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am Year 1 Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am
Thursday 11th July 2024	Y2 Stay and Pray session with parents/carers 9.00am
Friday 12th July 2024	St Mary's Summer Fest 3.30pm - 7.00pm
Tuesday 16th July 2024	Science Workshops - as part of a 3 day STEM focus week. Further details to follow.
Wednesday 17th July 2024	Y6 Leavers' Mass in Church 6.30pm
Friday 19th July	Community Tea@2 to celebrate Mrs Hymers' Retirement See newsletter for further details. An email/invite from the PTFA was also sent home earlier this week
Wednesday 24th July 2024	Y6 Leavers' Assembly 2pm School breaks up for summer <b>No</b> After School Club this evening. Breakfast Club will be open as normal



## Y6 SATs Week

Our Year 6 children will sit their SAT Tests next week. They have all worked extremely hard over the last few months to prepare for the tests and we couldn't be more proud of them - whatever the outcome! Each, and every one of them, has demonstrated resilience, a determination to succeed, and above all else - they have all sought to be the best that they can be. What more can we ask of them!

The Y6 children will celebrate the end of SAT week with a class party.



The Y6 children will have their final whole class photograph taken on Thursday afternoon.



## Y6 SATs

Date	Test
Monday 13th May	Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
Tuesday 14th May	Reading Comprehension
Wednesday 15th May	Arithmetic Paper 1 Reasoning Paper 2
Thursday 16th May	Reasoning Paper 3 Class Photograph
Friday 12th May	No Tests

## Sports Day

### Advanced Notice

We are planning to hold our annual sports day on Tuesday 18th June 2024.

We run Sports Day as two separate events - Infants and Juniors - both held on the same day.



The Junior event will start at 10.00am and should end by midday. The Infant session will run from 2.00pm—3.15pm.

Hopefully the sun will shine and Sports Day will take place on the date above. However, as we all know, we can't always rely on

the weather and so we have set aside Tuesday 25th June 2024 as the reserve date. We only set aside 2 possible dates for Sports Day as we know from parental feedback that it is difficult to keep changing holiday requests at the last minute when school has to cancel due to poor weather. It is also very difficult to keep more than 2 dates clear in our busy summer calendar.

If the weather is unkind on both days, there are no further available dates in the school diary and therefore the event would not go ahead.

Parents have asked why we do not move Sports Day inside if the weather is bad and the answer is that it is simply not possible to run a multi sport event inside our halls, as they are not big enough to hold the children and parents—let alone all of the equipment. Running the event in classes would take too many days and would need parents to seek more than 1 day off in order to attend.

If the event is cancelled, the children take part in Sports Day activities as part of their planned PE lessons, so they do not miss out on the events.

Further details will be sent home nearer to the time. We just wanted to give you as much time as possible to provisionally book the dates off work.



## Guitar Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have been chosen as

Mrs Connolly's 'Guitar Stars of the Week'.

Week beginning 6/5/24

Year 3: non this week due to Bank Holiday

Y4/5/6: Niamh (Y6)



## Guitars

### Message from Mrs Connolly

Please note that there will be NO guitars on Tuesday as Mrs. Connolly has an appointment. She has messaged all of our Y4/5/6 parents to let them know.

The last guitar lessons for this half term will be week commencing 20th May.





## A Final Tea@2 with Mrs Hymers



An invitation, in email form, was sent home yesterday from the PTFA, inviting our parents/ carers to join Mrs Hymers, the staff and the children in one last Tea@2 on Friday 19th July to help Mrs Hymers celebrate her retirement.

Due to the large numbers of children and adults involved, school does not have the capacity to host a farewell assembly for the whole school community to attend, to say goodbye to Mrs Hymers, so the PTFA felt that because Mrs Hymers celebrates Tea@ 2 with the children, a community Tea@2 event would be a fitting send off for her.



As the event will be informal, it will give parents/carers their own opportunity to say goodbye to Mrs Hymers as she will be free to chat with you all throughout the afternoon.

The afternoon will end at approximately 3.00pm with a presentation from the PTFA and a whole school song.

The children will be dismissed, as normal through their classroom doors and ABC will run as usual.

The PTFA would love to see as many of you there as possible to help mark the end of an era for St. Mary's and to wish Mrs Hymers well as she embarks upon 'life after work.' To help keep costs low, the PTFA are asking for donations of cakes and biscuits (home made and shop bought will be equally appreciated ) to be sent into school on the morning of the 19th so that they can set up tables in preparation for the afternoon. They also ask that you bring along your own liquid refreshments. The PTFA will set up tables on the playground for you to sit on - but picnic blankets or your own garden chairs are also welcome. The PTFA hope that the sun shines (or at least it doesn't rain) on the day and they look forward to seeing you all there.



## Extra- Curricular Clubs

We will be running three different sporting clubs

after the half-term. Letters were sent out with full details and booking slips earlier this week. Places are filling up very quickly so to avoid disappointment, please return your slip, or contact the office as soon as possible.

Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30pm KS2 Football. Pick up from Infant Hall. **Sessions run from the 12th June until 17th July. 4 SPACES LEFT**

Friday 8.00am - 8.50m KS2 Dodgeball. Drop off at Infant Hall. **Sessions run from the 14th June until 19th July. 5 SPACES LEFT**

Friday 3.30 - 4.30pm Rec/ Y1/2 Mini Ninjas. Pick up from Infant Hall. **Sessions run from the 7th June until Friday 5th July (5wks) CLUB IS FULL.**

KS2 Children do not need football boots or a football kit to play in. They will play in trainers and will already have their PE Kits on. If it is wet, sessions will be held indoors.

If your child needs to attend ABC following the club, they will be taken across by the coaches and will be charged for the 4.30 - 5.30pm slot.

## Holiday Camp

# MAY HALF TERM MULTI ACTIVITY CAMP

Fun filled, action packed football camp for ages 5 – 11 with enough options to keep your child happy and entertained. Run by **qualified coaches**. Includes **Football, Dodgeball, Gym, Dance, Basketball, Cheerleading, Fun games, Craft, NERF Zone, Glow Sports, Party games, Athletics and Obstacle courses.**

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Our coaches all hold professional qualifications and an enhanced DBS. Expert and qualified instruction in a safe, non-competitive environment. We go out of our way to ensure a personal and special day.





## Celebration Page



### Emile—Key Stage 2 Homework Star of the Week



Year 3	Thea
Year 4	Mae
Year 5	Ruby
Year 6	No winner this week as homework is on paper format

### Bucket Fillers

Bucket fillers are children who fill other people's buckets (lives) with kind words and deeds. They are shining examples to others around them.



### Good Work Stars



A huge well done to the following children who have all been recognised for their super work week.

Rec	Aayushi - amazing addition work
Year 1	Amelia - super descriptive sentences
Year 2	Tyler - exceptional fraction work
Year 3	Theo - fantastic fractions
Year 4	Evie - super research on Monet
Year 5	Sophia - marvellous map reading and research in Geography
Year 6	Alice & Ewan - making fantastic progress in preparation for their SAT tests

Rec	Brooke for keeping the classroom tidy
Year 1	Ryder for including everyone in his lovely games
Year 2	Arlo for being kind and caring
Year 3	Jax and Noah - nominated by Miss Gradwell for taking such good care of the iPads
Year 4	Noah for always having a smile on his face
Year 5	Bobby for having superb manners and for always making good choices
Year 6	Freddie P for tidying up—even when it is not his mess

### ABC Star of the Week

A big SHOUT OUT to Sofia from Y2 who has been chosen this week for being a such a star in club. Well done.



### Star Pupil Award



	Matthew House Winner	Mark House Winner	Luke House Winner	John House Winner	Overall Star Pupil
Rec	Finn	Max B	Oscar C	James T	Finn
Year 1	Carter	Heidi	Hettie	Henry S	Carter
Year 2	Theo	Bobby	Ava	Rose	Ava
Year 3	Wallis	Thomas FP	Robyn	T.J	Robyn
Year 4	Jude	Edison K	Lucy	Ralph S	Lucy
Year 5	Maddison	Indiana	Elliot	Tyler	Tyler
Year 6	Michael	Thomas	Molly	Ethan	Ethan