



St. Mary's News

May 24th 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 12/7/24 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 Final swimming session
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 No After School Club this evening. Breakfast Club will be open as normal

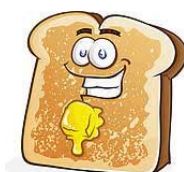
Half Term Costings



Lunch £93.60 (Y6 £83.20)

Friday Lunch (inc 24/7) £20.80

Toast £10.80 (Y6 £9.60)



Swimming

Swimming for all Y4 children and some Y5 children, who are non swimmers, will start on **Friday 7th June** and will take place every **Friday until Friday 12th July**.

All children must wear appropriate swimwear as set by the baths and the LA swim instructors.

Girls must wear a one-piece swimsuit (no two-piece, single-shoulder or frills at all). Boys must wear swimming trunks or shorts of no longer than mid-thigh length (no Bermudas or long shorts are acceptable as these can become dangerous when the pockets become full of water). Goggles can be worn, but are discouraged. All long hair must be tied up or a swimming cap can be worn (regardless of your child's gender).

If your child would prefer it, an appropriate swim top and shorts can be worn rather than the traditional trunks/swimming costumes. Please note that the swim top/shorts must be of recognised swim wear material - it cannot be a t-shirt and shorts.

For hygiene reasons, children should not come to school wearing their swimwear underneath their tracksuits. Also, time at the baths is limited, so children will not have the time to wash their hair or shower after the session. The children simply need a towel, their swimwear and maybe a brush/comb. These should be brought into school in either a plastic bag or swim bag.

As swimming is a statutory part of the National Curriculum and is an essential life skill, all children are expected to attend every session unless there is a medical reason as to why they cannot attend. Details of medical reasons should be sent into school.

School pays for the hire of the baths and for the coach journey to and from the pool so there is not cost to parents/carers.

Holiday Camp

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COST
£25 standard day 9am - 4 pm
£35 extended day 8.30 am - 5.30 pm

LOCATION
Birchley St Mary's Primary School
Birchley Road, Billinge, Wigan

DATE
28th May - 3rd June

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.

Guitar Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have been chosen as Mrs Connolly's 'Guitar Stars of the Week'.



Week beginning 20/5/24

Year 3: James

Year 3 Gold Award for excellent behaviour in class - Emily



Y4/5/6: Anna

Y4/5/6 Gold Award for excellent behaviour in class - Indiana



And Finally

As this is the last newsletter of the half-term, we would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

We will see you all again on **WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE** for the final half-term of this academic year.

happy holidays!