

# Newsletter

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Issue 1



Learning and caring for each other

Dear Parents/Guardian.

**Welcome back...** We would like to welcome everyone back to the new school year at St Mary's. We hope you had a lovely summer holiday and managed to get out on the days that the sun made an appearance!

**A special warm welcome...** is extended to all those new to the school, including our new intake parents and new members of staff – Miss Hays, Mr Plewes and Miss O'Mahony. All our children have played their part in helping them and making them feel part of our St Mary's family.

Both children and staff have returned to school happy, healthy and enthusiastic about the year ahead. There has been a wonderful atmosphere of excitement and anticipation as everyone returned to school on Tuesday wearing full school uniform and cheerful smiles.

**Welcome Meeting...** We would like to invite you to meet your child's class teacher on **Tuesday 19th September** to find out more about the curriculum and learning during 2017/2018. As in the past, there are two time options, the first starting at 6.30pm which is then and repeated 7.00pm.

Here is a reminder of who is where this year:

Year	Class	Teacher
Rec	Red	Miss Hays
Yr 1	Orange	Miss Tebbutt
Yr 2	Yellow	Mrs Warburton
Yr 3	Green	Mr Plewes
Yr 4	Blue	Mrs Burns/Mrs Moran
Yr5	Indigo	Miss O'Mahony
Yr 6	Violet	Mrs Grant
KS2	Languages	Mrs McDonald
PPA		Mrs Moran/Mrs Davies

**Emergency Contact Details...** If there have been any changes in your contact details please let Ms Evans know as soon as possible in the office. They will be needed in case of emergencies and will be held confidentially in the office.

**Our Christian Value...** for this half term is Justice. We will be exploring: Personal justice - 'playing fair' with others; respecting others' rights; acting responsibly and fairly with the people we meet each day. Social justice - speaking up on behalf of others and recognising that others are fellow human beings with the same rights as ourselves; making sure all voices are heard impartially. Global justice - honouring human rights for all people; speaking up for the poor and the vulnerable; being fair.

**FOSM (Friends of St Mary's PTA)...** will be holding their annual AGM at 6.30pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Everyone is a member and everyone is welcome. Please do come along to suggest ways we can work together and plan social events which also raise much needed additional funds for school. See you in our school hall!

**Thank you ...** for working with us and setting a good example to all our children by using school footpaths and not ducking under the car park entrance barrier.

**Earrings...** are not permitted in school so if your child has had their ears pierced during the holidays, please cover them with plasters until healing has taken place and earrings can be removed for the school day. Thank you to all the parents who have already done this.

**Clubs start again next week ...** so please complete the return slip if your child would like to attend any of the clubs. You should already have received a separate letter with a list of clubs on offer this half term.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

11<sup>th</sup> Sept - Freddy Fit in school  
18<sup>th</sup> Sept - Rev Jan Young visit to school  
19<sup>th</sup> Sept – Parent Curriculum Evening  
25<sup>th</sup> Sept – Year 6 Shakespeare Workshop  
27<sup>th</sup> Sept – Individual Pupil Photographs by Versa Photos  
6<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 3 Stone Age Workshop  
9<sup>th</sup> Oct - Mr Beckingham assembly visit  
10<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 1 visit to Tesco  
13<sup>th</sup> Oct – Harvest Festival in school starting at 9am  
16<sup>th</sup> Oct – Parent consultation week (late night Monday)  
17<sup>th</sup> Oct - Year 5 Saxon Workshop  
18<sup>th</sup> Oct – Year 4 Greek Workshop  
20<sup>th</sup> Oct – INSET and school closed for children  
30<sup>th</sup> Oct – School re-opens with breakfast club at 8am

Best Wishes,  
Mrs E. Irvin and all the staff at St Mary's