



## St Mary's Roman Catholic Primary School

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**St Mary's RC Primary**

**School Newsletter**

**Friday 21st June 2024**

### Our Mission Statement

As God's family we are STARS within a loving and thriving community, celebrating our diversity. We ignite lifelong learning where everyone becomes a positive influence on our world.

### Our Gospel Values

*Every person is a valued member of our community, invited to follow Christ's call to a life of **love**, **hope** and **forgiveness**. We **respect** and support each other to live in **peace**. We embrace challenges and develop the **courage** to create a better world for us all.*

### Year 6 Football Tournament

The boys team finished 3rd out of all the schools, the girls made it all the way to the final but were pipped to 1st place.

All children involved showed great team spirit and represented St Mary's well.





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### Year 5 Football Match

Year 5 took part in a mixed football match at St Mary and St Peter's School in Gorleston. It was a very competitive match that SMSP won 5-4. We hope to host a rematch very soon here at St Marys! The children did magnificently and everyone involved was very proud of them!



### Sports day

Thank you to all staff, children and families who came together as such a strong community and shared the wonderful team spirit to celebrate our 4 Saints through Sports Day activities- St Andrew, St George, St Patrick and St David. A special thank you to Miss Ward, Miss Crowe, Mr Cross and Mr Dickerson for organising this special event. It was also so wonderful to see all mums and dads competing too - you made your child smile and proud 😊





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### Summer Discos

Our Summer Discos are back, July 3rd and July 4th!!

KS1 Disco will be Wednesday 3rd July 3:15 - 4:30

KS2 Disco will be Thursday 4th July 3:15 - 4:45

Tickets are available to purchase now on Wisepay!



### Y6 Theatre production at the Seagull theatre

The children are preparing their end of year production with the Seagull Theatre. The tickets are now on sale, so please check the website and purchase your tickets in good time. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/seagulltheatre/st-marys-primary-school-present-who-dunnit/e-vlaqmd>



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### 16th July - International Families Day-



As a proud, culturally diverse school community, we would like to have an opportunity to celebrate this together through our annual **International Families Day Celebrations**. We encourage all parents and children to prepare short presentations (could just be a simple write up, PPT with photos, or poster) educating pupils in our school, on their parents' own experiences and growing up either in the UK or from abroad. The children love learning facts about other countries and cultures and this will be a perfect opportunity to celebrate our school diversity together and open the horizons for the children. We also encourage all children to dress in the colours of their flag and perhaps even bring a flag to school.

Things we encourage to consider when discussing with the children:

- When I was your age, at school we did.....
- In my free time after school we.....
- My favourite food as a child was.....
- My favourite subject was...because...
- How different was my school to your school?
- Life as a primary school child in my home country...

If you'd be interested in taking part in this little project, please get in touch with your child's class teacher. These presentations will be part of the learning on that day.





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### Masses

We are going to have Mass in school on the following dates at 9am. You are all welcome to join us.

**Wednesday 3rd July - Year 6 Leaving St Mary's Mass**

**Wednesday 17th July - End of School Year Mass - Whole School**



### Professional photos day for school prospectus on 25th June 2024

Just a reminder to our families at St Mary's that we have professional photographers taking photos of the children in school while they are learning and playing. This will be published on the Trust's website and we will use the photos for our new prospectus which we are developing. Please make sure your children are dressed in full school uniform.

Thank you!

### CALENDAR DATES for 2023 - 2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

The following dates and events are subject to change if necessary. Please refer to the most up to date newsletters for termly dates.



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June 2024		
25th	School Photos	Professional School Photos taken for the new school's prospectus and MAT photos day.
26-27th	Y6 Theatre Performance	Evening performances for the end of year Y6 theatre production at the Seagulls Theatre  <a href="https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/seagulltheatre/st-marys-primary-school-present-who-dunnit/e-vlaqmd">https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/seagulltheatre/st-marys-primary-school-present-who-dunnit/e-vlaqmd</a>
27th	Y6 Ignite retreat day	

July 2024		
3rd	Year 6 Leavers Mass and Leavers Assembly  All parents/carers are welcome to join. Coffee and biscuits served between.	
3rd	EYFS and KS1 Summer school disco.  Children are invited to bring a change of clothes to school. The disco will start at 3:15 and end at 4:30. After the disco, we will dismiss the children from the playground. In order to take part in the disco, we ask for a contribution of £2.50 for snacks which will be available to the children throughout the disco. Any parents volunteers, wishing to help, please get in touch with the school.	
4th	KS2 Summer school disco  Children are invited to bring a change of clothes to school. The disco will start at 3:15 and end at 4:45. After the disco, we will dismiss the children from the playground. In order to take part in the disco, we ask for a contribution of £2.50 for snacks which will be available to the children throughout the disco. Any parents volunteers, wishing to help, please get in touch with the school.	
12th	Whole School Transition Day	Children will be dismissed from their new class lines or class doors. So if your child is moving to Y1 next year, please collect them from the Y1 class door, if moving to Y3, they will be collected from their new class lines on the playground. From September for dismissal, we will be lining up like during lunchtime, so please, do not congregate outside YR class



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		windows from or in the first basketball lines half.	
12th	Year 5 Bake Sale	Year 5 will be holding a cake sale. Any donations of baked goods are most welcome.	???
16th	International Families Day	We encourage all parents, from all backgrounds to share with their children what it was like to grow up and go to school in my country/ in my time?  Please see the info above.	
17th	Whole School End of Year Mass		



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