



St Mary's C of E Primary School
'Excellence Together, Learning through Faith'

Update Friday 10th June 2016

Headteacher Miss V M Hunt

Core Christian Value for this half term: COMPASSION

Learning to learn skill is Independence

Dear Parents,



Breakfast Club

Star of the week this week is Chloe for doing brilliant adding up.

Payments due

Please pay immediately.

Summer term dinner money

Voluntary contributions & Breakfast Club

Sports news

Tring Running Club are holding their annual Fun Run on Wednesday 22nd June. Children from St. Mary's usually do really well at this event, hopefully we will have another bumper turn out this year. If any parents/carers are entering the race, please put St. Mary's down as your team so we can have a team in the adults' race. Good luck to everyone who enters.

Sporting Dates:

13th June – Year 4 Sports Festival

21st June – Year 2 Mini Olympics

5th July – Reception – Sports Festival

12th July – Sport Days

19th July Reserve Sports Day

Just a reminder that on sports day the children should wear their house colour t-shirt to school on that day. The house colours are Phoenix - red, Unicorn - blue, Griffin - yellow, Dragon - green. The children should know which house they are in as they regularly receive house points but if anyone is unsure please ask class teachers.

Mr. Macey

Green team competition

Green Team are running a recycled art competition. All children in the school are invited to create an artwork out of recycled materials found around the home. The artwork can take any form, e.g. a picture, a model, a sculpture, etc. and can be of anything you like, e.g. a self-portrait, a model of a robot, etc. (it doesn't have to be to do with recycling.) Entries should be brought into school on the week of the 27th June for judging. There will be prizes for the best. Mr. Potter

Special Achievement Award

YR – Lucy

Y1 – Jasper and Bailey

Y2 – Alice and Charlie

Y3 – Zara and Mabel

Y4 – Mia and Emilia

Y5 – Eddie and Maddie

Y6 – All Year 6

Out of school achievements

Poppy Baker – Herts Gymnastics Association, 1st overall and 1st on the vault.

Sadie Beecroft – ASA Swimming Award Stage 3.

Macy Hardy – Ross & Andy Football – Achievement Award.

Well done to you all.

Can parents please hand in certificates and trophies **to the office** by the Wednesday of the week they would like them presented and put in the newsletter.

Year 6 First Aid Training

On Friday 27th May, Year 6 were fortunate to be joined by a representative of St John's Ambulance who led an excellent and informative session on First Aid. Among other things, the children were shown how to safely assess a situation, dress a wound and use the recovery position. Many thanks to St John's Ambulance team for providing this session.

Y6

On Tuesday Y6 visited Amaravarti Buddhist Monastery as part of their Religious Education. The children learnt about the main beliefs of the religion and had lunch at the monastery, offering gifts of food and candles to the monks and nuns who live there. The highlights of the visit were learning how to meditate in the beautiful wooden - roofed temple and having the opportunity to see where some of the nuns live. The children were both respectful and enthusiastic and were a credit to the school. Mrs. Archbold

Dates

w/b 13th June – Y1 Phonics Testing week
Mon 13th June – Y5 & Y6 cycle training
Mon 13th June – Y4 Sports Festival at Ashlyns
Tues 14th June – Y5 & Y6 cycle training
Thurs 16th June – Y5 & Y6 Science Fair at Berkhamsted School
Thurs 16th June – Fathers' Day Secret Room
Fri 17th June – Y1 Treat Friday
Tue 12th July – Sports Day
Mon 18th July – Music Concert 2.00 pm
Tue 19th July – Reserve Sports Day

PE Provision

Mr. Macey will be leaving St.Mary's at the end of this term, having worked here for 12 years. We shall be very sorry to say goodbye to him and there is a collection in the office if anyone would like to contribute to this. We are, however, pleased to inform you that PE provision will remain a high focus in the school and Graham Hall and his team at Game On will be taking over from Mr.Macey in the teaching of PE during curriculum time. They will also be offering extra after school clubs and organising the school football team. We will provide further information when the details have been finalised.

Ashlyns School Auction

Ashlyns School Association has put together an on-line auction to raise funds for the school. The auction runs until Monday 13th June at 10pm. If you would like to take part in the auction please visit: www.ashlynschoolauction.co.uk

Queen's Birthday Picnic

The whole school, including staff and Chair of Governors, gathered together on the field at lunchtime, to enjoy a picnic in honour of Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday. The Union flag has also been raised on the school flagpole as part of our celebrations. Many thanks to Mrs. Young and Mrs. Bristow for the additional organisation they have undertaken to enable this event to run smoothly and to the kitchen staff for providing such delicious picnics.

Link books Reminder

Link books are only to be used for brief messages to class teachers, such as collection arrangements. Anything else should be communicated via a separate letter or with a request to make an appointment to meet with the class teacher. Teachers can then phone or speak to parents at the classroom door to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

Music Concert

The St. Mary's Summer Music Concert will be held on Monday 18th July at 2.00 pm. Please make a note of this in your diary.

Fiver Challenge

On Thursday, Year 5 went to St Thomas Moore School for the launch event of the "Fiver Challenge" Young Enterprise competition. The children learned about how businesses operate and took part in a bead-making competition. They were all very excited at the prospect of beginning their own business venture and counting their profits at the end of the month. Mr. Potter

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.
V.M.Hunt

Checklist of Letters sent home in the last two weeks

PLEASE CHECK BOOKBAGS

Title	Class	Via
Curriculum letters	Nursery – Y6	Schoolcomms
Sports Festival	Y4	Letter
Cycle training	Y5 & Y6	Letter
Pizza Express	Y6	Letter
Phasels Wood	Y6	Letter
Milk for September	All years	Letter
Willows Activity Farm	Foundation Stage	Letter
Mini Olympics	Y2	Letter

Please contact the office if you did not receive one of the above letters