



S<sup>t</sup> Mary's C of E (VA) Primary School  
'Excellence Together, Learning through Faith'

Update Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2015  
Headteacher Miss V M Hunt  
Core Christian Value for this half term: *COURAGE*  
Learning to learn skill is *INDEPENDENCE*

Dear Parents

**Breakfast Club**

Star of the week is Robin Sales for being helpful at tidy-up time. Children must be in by 8.10 a.m. if they are eating breakfast. We stop serving food at 8.15 a.m.



**Sun Hats, Sun Cream and Water Bottles**

As the weather is exceptionally hot at the moment, please can parents ensure that children have a sun hat in school and they bring their water bottles in every day. Please apply sun cream at home before school. Thank you.

**Year 2 Maths Challenge**

On Wednesday some of the Year 2 pupils went to a Maths Challenge competition at Westfield School, where they completed various Maths investigations and activities against other schools from Berkhamsted. They had a fantastic time and came a very commendable 3rd place. Well done to Harry McGill, Luke Bradley, Jake Canagasuriam and Callum Powell.

**Salvation Army Assembly**

A lady came from the Salvation Army on Tuesday and shared an assembly about courage. The children enjoyed listening to the story she told about David and Goliath as well as joining in with some beautiful singing.

**Country Dancing**

This term Year 2 have been learning Country Dancing which some of you may have seen at the Summer Fayre. On Monday the class went across to the Parish Rooms to perform their routines to the Monday Club. They performed two dances and did a fantastic job. They then had the opportunity to speak to the members which the children all thoroughly enjoyed.

**Headlice**

We have had several cases of headlice reported this week. Can parents please check children's hair this weekend. Attached to the newsletter is the Headlice Policy which will help you with prevention, detection and treatment.

**Parent Forum**

The final Parent Forum of the school year will take place on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> July. Can you please provide any questions you may wish to ask to your Parent Forum Class Reps by midday on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> July at the latest.

**Financial Support for Music Tuition with Herts Music Service**

Some families may be eligible for financial assistance for music lessons run by the Herts Music Service. Visit [www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/remissioncriteria](http://www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/remissioncriteria) for information on how to apply.

**Next year's trips**

The July instalment for the Woodrow and Kingswood trips is now due. Woodrow is £22.15 and Kingswood is £38.45. Cheques to St. Mary's School General Account. Thank you.

**Easter Holiday Dates 2016**

The 2015/16 term dates are on the school website, but we would like to draw everyone's attention in particular to the Easter Holiday 2016 dates, because the Easter week-end does not fall during the Easter holidays. In line with the Hertfordshire School term dates, St. Mary's Easter Holiday will be from Monday 4th to Friday 15th April. The children in Year 4 will be on their residential trip for the four days prior to breaking up for the holiday. This is preceded by the Easter week-end, when the school will be closed for Good Friday on 25th March and Bank Holiday Monday on 28th March.

**Dates:**

4<sup>th</sup> July - St. Mary's Church Fayre  
 6<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 Dress Rehearsal 10.30 a.m.  
 7<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 Performance 2.00 p.m.  
 8<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 Performance 6.00 p.m.  
 8<sup>th</sup> July - Foundation Stage trip to Butterfly World  
 13<sup>th</sup> July - Transition Day  
 14<sup>th</sup> July - Sports' Day 9.15 a.m.  
 15<sup>th</sup> July - Puzzle Challenge Day YR – Y5  
 15<sup>th</sup> July - Y4 & Y5 Road Safety Training  
 16<sup>th</sup> July - Open Evening 5.00 p.m.  
 20<sup>th</sup> July - Y1 scooter training  
 21<sup>st</sup> July - Reserve Sports Day  
 22<sup>nd</sup> July - End of year service in church 9.15 a.m.  
 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Break-up 1.30 p.m.

**September start - Term Starts 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sept Inset Day**

**Please see website for term dates**

**V.M Hunt**  
**Headteacher**

**Checklist of Letters sent home this week**

PLEASE CHECK BOOKBAGS

<b>Title</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Via</b>
Deposit reminder for Woodrow	Y4	Schoolcomms
Next Kingswood instalment due 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Y5	Schoolcomms
Dinner Money reminders	Various	Schoolcomms
Sun hats and sun cream reminders	All	Schoolcomms
Lost scooter	All	Schoolcomms
Parent Forum – issues/feedback	All	Schoolcomms
Road Monster Film preview	Selected	Letter
Uniform letter to Y4	Y4	Letter

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

