



St Mary's News 2022 June Issue 1

"Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another"

Dear Parents,

Welcome back - for our final Summer Half-term. Please remember, *Summer Uniform* is now encouraged. Please find the uniform recommendations attached for your convenience. They are also available on the school website.

Thanksgiving Mass- Y3 led us in a very prayerful Mass, on the last day of half term- thank you to them and to their teachers and helpers. We look forward to seeing as many of them as possible, in their outfits, once more, at the Corpus Christi Procession on Sunday 19th June at 9.30am.

Our Queen's Jubilee Celebration- All children will have received their Jubilee Pencil or Jubilee Flag by tomorrow afternoon, courtesy of school fund. All children will have also had chance, in their setting, to take part in Jubilee Activities of various sorts, this week and last week. Our prayers and best wishes continue to be said for Queen Elizabeth- her service and loyalty are an example to us all.

School Fund- Thank you, as always, to those who contribute to our school fund. The opportunities for the little extras are what makes school a great place to be. It seems that there is enough money in our school fund account to, once again, order some luxury books for our classrooms. We will keep you up to date, but thanks once more.

Summer Fete- Friday 15th July 3.30-5.45 – We are moving forward to **our first Post Lockdown PTA function**. It is great that we actually have volunteers who have come forward to man and manage such an undertaking. My thanks to the small posse of PTA members for their commitment. However, parents, we need your support in other ways. We have stalls to run and Mufti Days to support as detailed below. We will need you to come and spend your money in order to make the day worthwhile. There are many luxury items which we can aspire towards purchasing- with your help: more playground equipment, a replacement climbing wall, new costumes for school plays, wellbeing garden resources, to name but a few. Please engage in whatever way you can to make this day a happy, profitable one.

Mufti Days- are days when all children are invited to wear their non uniform clothes, in exchange for money or an item as directed by the PTA. This year they are as follows: **Friday 1/7/22- Please give £1** on the school, gateway towards raffle prizes. **Friday 8/7/22= Please give an item of sweets** for the sweet tombola. **Friday 15/7/22- Children to arrive in Sports wear (Mufti style) in readiness for Sports Morning AND bring a bottle** for the botte tombola stall.

Holidays in term time- Please respect our position- to legally require your child to be in school, every day and to need to justify it, when they are not. Many thanks, in anticipation, for working with us on this one. Our Attendance Policy is available on the school website under *Useful Information , then Policies and Documents*, to support you if you are unsure.

My retirement as Head teacher at SMA- Fr Craig has kindly agreed to celebrate Mass for me. Please find attached details, should you wish to join me in celebrating some very happy years here, and in praying for the continued success of SMA.

Next year's staffing lists will be available in next week's newsletter. Please encourage your child to think about what lies ahead, next year. They will be able to meet their new teacher on our *Moving up Morning*, in July

Upcoming events:

Monday 13/6/22 -Rainbows and Brownies returns to SMA school site

Wednesday 15/6/22- Dental Nurses in school for R and Y1 5 yr olds.

Thursday 16 /6/22 -Woodlands Activity Day for Y6.

Thursday 16 /6/22 - Early Years in school event- *The farm on wheels* .

Friday 17/6/22- Y4 visit to St Francis Secondary School for a History and Liturgical morning.

Sunday 19/6/22 -Corpus Christi procession for Y3 children in church at 9.30am.

Monday 20/6/22- 22/6/22 Y6 Alton Castle residential.

Wednesday 22/6/22 – 8.30-9am Reception parents Transition day in preparation for Y1.

Wednesday 22/6/22 -Induction Meeting for Reception 2022/23 cohort (7-8pm) and Nursery 2022/23 cohort (6-7pm)

And Finally...

WHEN YOU'VE DONE
EVERYTHING YOU CAN DO
THAT'S WHEN GOD WILL
STEP IN & DO WHAT YOU
CAN'T DO.

- 2 CORINTHIANS 12:10