



St Mary's News 2022 February Issue 2

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

Dear Parents,

Covid –We are delighted to share with all of you, that today is the first day where we have no staff or children absent due to Covid, since the return to school after Christmas.

Birthday treats – we respectfully remind you that we are not accepting sweets, cakes, or party bags, to be distributed to other children, during this pandemic. When we are able to lift this restriction, we will let you know.

School Fund-is now at £973 since September. As a result of your generosity, children in classes are spending their well earned behaviour money , and it looks like we may again be able to offer each class a handout to spend on books for their class libraries, in the summer term. Many thanks.

Our Annual Art Gallery is on **17/02/22**. We look forward to some great examples of art, which parents can choose to purchase, via the gateway. Once again, this will be shared with you, virtually on the website, after the event. Thank you to the 60+ parents who have already signed up on the gateway. We already have £216 from you, which will be used to purchase some luxury art materials for each class. Art is such an important part of positive wellbeing for some children and adults- we are pleased to offer quality time to children to produce work that they are proud of. Talk to them about how their work links to their learning.

Valentine's Day fun and Valentine's Day dinner Monday 14.2.22- The PTA are back and have organised a Valentine's Day treat, which your children can purchase, via the school gateway. (Please see attached flyer) The school kitchen are also organising a Valentine's Day Dinner. The flyer is available on the Lunches page of the school website and is also attached here, for your convenience. Please encourage children to join in with this, as it will raise money for our school kitchen also.

Toys in school- Thank you for listening. This is much improved.

Booking changes for school lunches -as from Monday 28th February lunches will need to be booked the day before and if parents need to book on the day, a telephone call to the school office can facilitate this for them.

Upcoming events:

Friday 11/2/22 Children can wear an item of their choice in a colour of their choice, as part of Positive Mental Health Week.

Sunday 13/2/22- 6pm and 9.30am Y3 Mass of Commitment for those receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion in the summer term.

Thursday 17/2/22 - School finishes for half term for all children on this day **A Zoom Meeting for all parents of Y6 Confirmation candidates** will take place on

Thursday 17th February at 6.30pm.

Friday 18/2/22 INSET Day for all staff.

Thursday 3/3/22- Confirmation for Y6 at 7pm in St Mary of the Angels Church- We look forward to a good turnout.

Tuesday 15/3/22- Y3 Parents Meeting to prepare for Reconciliation at 6pm in school. Please bring your masks as a safety measure

Friday 1/4/22- Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation – 1.30 Venue TBC

Friday 8/4/22- School closes for the Easter break- all children need to be collected from school at 1.30pm on this day.

Wednesday 27/4/22 and Thursday 28/4/22 Parents Consultations in school between 4pm and 7pm each evening. This will be arranged via the Gateway two weeks prior to the event.

We need your views- says Pope

Francis -Please look out for the google forms questionnaire , that the Archdiocese are asking you to access. Your opinion is being called for.

Please find the link below:

<https://forms.gle/kTw8gHVtD74oFEPo9>

And Finally...



We thank you God, for the signs of new life, which are slowly emerging in front of our eyes.