

St. Mary's Mail



Date: May 5th 2023

Bi- Weekly News from St.Mary's

Dates for the Diary

I hope you all enjoyed the May Bank Holiday weekend and are looking forward to celebrating the King's Coronation with another extended weekend to come. Next week will be a rather exciting one a St Mary's with the Y4 children going off to explore new adventures at the residential trip to Greatwood and the Y6's will be getting to put all their hard work into practice when they take their SATs. I would like to remind the children that they all made in a unique and wonderful way having worked so hard throughout their time at St Mary's they should look at this as an opportunity to celebrate their achievements. Good luck and approach next week with confidence in your abilities.

I would like to welcome Mrs Julie Simpson who started in her role as Executive Head this week.

Mrs Bethan Scriven

Kings Coronation

The children all looked fantastic today in their red, white & blue and royal fancy dress. They all enjoyed a street party style picnic at lunch time and we would like to thank Mrs Parry and her catering team for the fantastic Coronation food that the children thoroughly enjoyed. Thank you to Mrs Gay for the fabulous balloons that brightened the lunch up.

The school council created a coronation themed treasure trail for everyone to take part in which proved to be great fun.

We would also like to thank the Friend's of St Mary's for gifting a commemorative pin badge for each child in the school, something they can keep to remember the day in later life.



Attendance

We are currently receiving an increasing number of request for absence forms. We recognise spending quality time as a family is enriching but we ask that all holidays are booked during the 13 weeks school holidays when the school is closed.

We can not authorise any requests for absence for holidays. Any period of absence of more than 10 sessions/ 5 days in a 7 school week period may result in penalty notices being issued. The fine is currently £60 (per parent, per child) if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice rising to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. Further guidance can be found on the school website along with a copy of the request for absence form that **MUST** be completed before the absence, email's on the day of your child's absence are not acceptable.

Job Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies in school one for a cleaner and one for a lunchbreak supervisor. If you or anyone you know may be interested please contact the school office for more details and an application form.

Netball

Well done to the netball team who played St John's Mead on Wednesday. It was a hard match but the girls showed great skill and resilience eventually losing 8-4.

Swap Shop

Our uniform swap shop is open to everyone each morning, please feel free to pop along and help yourself to any uniform you may require. We also welcome any donations of unwanted uniform to be reused.

The swap shop is a welcome resource to many of our families and allows us to do our bit for the environment by recycling clothes, it does however take time to keep it organised and tidy. We are therefor looking for volunteers who may be able to give us some of their time to sort through donations and help maintain the swap shop.

If you are able to offer any time during the school day to help either on a one off or regular basis please contact the school office.



Mon 8th May	School closed (King's Coronation)
9-12th May	Y6 SATS
Wed 10th—Fri 12th May	Y4 Greatwood Residential
Fri 19th May	KS1 SS Great Britain Trip
Tues 23 May	EYFS Wild Place Trip
Wed 24th May	Friend's meeting 7pm
Fri 26th May	End of Term 5
Mon 12th June	Reception Screening
Wed 21st June	KS2 Sports Day AM/KS1 Sports Day PM
Fri 23rd June	Whole school photo
Wed 28th June	Reserve sports day
Wed 5th July PM	EYFS Sports Day
Sat 8th July	Tuckfield Tournament
Wed 12th July PM	EYFS Reserve sports day
Thurs 13th July	Y6 Lifeskills Trip
Fri 15th July	Leavers Disco
Tues 18th July	Y6 Mojo Active
Fri 21st July	End of School Year

Excel Daily

Well done to the following children who have recently received certificates :

Remi, Charlie N, Nina, Florence M, Oscar M, Jesse A, Harrison C, Caoimhe, Kieran J, George E, Poppy S, Dexter P, Max R, Madison T, Emily L, Adrian B, Oscar S, Koda, Paige W, Jessica J, Adalae S, Edith S, Isla T, Sammy, Cian, Alfie T, Rosa B, Freddie W, Casey B, Bella M, Millie L, Jem, Sapphire B, Mason W, Theia G, Amber M, James T, Henley, Robert C, James W, Riley , Megan R, Josie T, Oakley C, Lochlain, Ava S, Leo M & Aniah.



