

St. Mary's Newsletter

February 2015 Issue



Work, play, pray - together

Executive Head Teacher - Miss Elliott:

St. Mary's has had a lot to celebrate recently. We have two very exciting events, one resulting in a change of name and one resulting in a new addition!!!

At the end of January, Miss Hall was married in an intimate ceremony, Congratulations to the new Mr & Mrs Wilkins. I'm sure you'll join all at St. Mary's wishing them every happiness for their future together.

Mrs. Walker welcomed a new addition to her family on 5th February! Imogen Grace arrived weighing 8lb 15.5oz and I'm sure you'll all add your congratulations to ours for Mrs Walker, her husband and her two older daughters on the arrival of the great blessing.

Year 3 Message:

Last Friday, Year 3 celebrated their 'Stone Age' Assembly, sharing with the school what they have learned so far.

Quotes:

Paige Hope: "I have enjoyed learning about archaeology and digging up Stone Age tools".

Jessica Garbutt: "I think it was magnificent especially the catwalk".

Charlie Hope: "I thought the assembly was great. I enjoyed learning about Stonehenge".

George Dudley: I really enjoyed the class assembly especially introducing the catwalk".

In class Year 3 have been writing instructions about 'How to Catch a Stone Age Monster' using time connectives and bossy verbs.

In Numeracy they have been learning about handling data, reading and creating bar charts.

Lent 2015

Lent is the time when we prepare for the greatest of festivals known as Easter, Lent in 2015 will begin on Ash Wednesday, 18th February and will continue for 46 days.

Ethos Statements for February

- I will let my light shine this week; looking for the face of Christ in all those that I meet.
- I listen to what you say. I show that I am listening to you.
- I try to appreciate the beauty and the wonder in the world around me (during Half Term).

Lateness!!!!

Lateness is becoming a problem again; all pupils must be in school for the bell sounding at 8.55a.m. registers will close at 9:08am. If your child arrives after this time they will be marked in the register with a 'U' code (late after register close). These attendance codes are now being monitored and followed up by the Local Authority and can incur a fine which we all wish not to happen.

Please ensure that your child arrives on time and fully equipped for the start of their lesson - thank you.

Each week we will publish on our website each class's attendance. We have had a recent spell of flu amongst children, hopefully this has now left us and we can all try really hard to aim for 100%

Red Nose Day 2015



Further information will follow from the School Council on this event nearer the date.

Red Noses have already been ordered and will be on sale from the office soon.

Diary Dates

February 2015

4th - Diocesan Youth Celebration
6th - Year 6 Liturgy @ 9:05am
6th - Year 5 Assembly @ 2:30pm
10th - Safer Internet Day
13th - Reception Liturgy @ 9:05am
16th - 20th HALF TERM
W/C 23rd - Fair Trade Fortnight
27th - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome

March 2015

5th - World Book Day
13th - Red Nose Day
17th - Parents' Night 1 @ 3:30pm
18th - Parents' Night 2 @ 3:30pm
20th - In-service Day - school closed to pupils
27th - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome
27th - Whole School Liturgy @ 2:30pm all welcome
30th - 2nd April Holy Week Liturgy @ 2:30pm

April 2015

2nd - **BREAK UP** for Easter Holidays
20th - **Return back to school**
24th - **Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome**

May 2015

4th - BANK HOLIDAY
W/C 11th - 15th SAT'S Week
19th - Auditions for Production @ 1:30pm
22nd - St. Mary's Day
22nd - Coffee Morning @ 9:00am all welcome
25th - 29th HALF TERM

June 2015

1st - Return back to school
2nd - Sports Day at School
26th - Coffee Morning in school all welcome

July 2015

6th - Year 6 Risk & Challenge Day 1
7th - SAT's results
10th - moving up day
13th - Production Wizard of Oz (2:00pm & 6:00pm)
16th - Year 6 Leavers Assembly
16th - BREAK UP
17th - In-service Day

Wet Weather Conditions

Please provide your child with a spare pair of socks that they can keep in their P.E. bag in case their socks become wet on the journey to school, to ensure they are comfortable and warm during the school day.

Thurston 2015

Preparations are underway for Year 6's trip to Thurston Outdoor Educational Centre week commencing Monday, 9th March.

Payments for the trip can be made at the school office, please provide your payment card so they can be updated.



Image Musical Theatre

On Monday 30th January, the whole school attended a production of Tom's Midnight Garden. The production is a series of participation musicals that have been created especially for Primary Schools.

The show itself was preceded by a rehearsal workshop from which some children were chosen to take part in the show while the rest were rehearsed in three chorus songs.

It was a stimulating and entertaining production that they all enjoyed, next year's booking of 'The Sword in the Stone' has already been booked!

Thanks Image Musical Theatre and all those that participated!

Pastoral Care

This term we are learning about British Values. We decided to first find out where we live in Great Britain and next we will learn about Democracy.

Website

Our new website is now live! You can access it at www.stmarysjarrow.co.uk

There is a lot of information about the school and photographs of a variety of events. If there is any information you think would be useful to be located on this site, please let school know.