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May Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Keep Calm the SAT'S are over!

Pupils and staff have breathed a sigh of relief now that the SAT's are over and we can again settle into life at St. Mary's. Our pupils always give their upmost best - Well done to them all.



Our Year 6 and Year 4 have settled into life at Thurston easily, after sorting themselves into their accommodation they spent the afternoon jumping off the jetty and swimming in the lake. The weather has been more favourable there than it has been here, that's for sure!

After half term our Year 5 pupils will be going on their own adventure to Ford Castle. Pupils should be in school for the usual time for registration and then departure is at 9:30am, parent/carers are welcome to stay behind to way their child off.



Parent/carers should have all received their ParentPay login and username details, if you have not, please speak to a member of the office staff as school will be using the cashless system for lunch money starting straight after the half term. Parent/carers will then be able to login at any time to check the balance of their account. If you would like to request a Paypoint card to pay for lunches, please inform the school office as these need to be ordered via ParentPay.

We need You!

Preparation are well underway for Maryfest, if you can help in anyway with donations for tombola e.g. bottle of alcohol, unused/unopened gifts/handmade crafts, cakes, toy stalls. If parents would like to help on the 22nd June, please give your name into the school office.

First Holy Communion

Our pupils have received their First Holy Communion; this is the third of seven sacraments received. It occurs only after receiving Baptism, and once the person has reached the age of reason (usually, around the second grade). First confession (the first sacrament of penance) precedes the reception of the Eucharist. Pupils and parents along with their family members attended St. Mary's Church.

Happy Birthday Mrs. Graham

Mrs. Graham will celebrate her Big 50th Birthday on Saturday; we have all joined in together by decorating the hall and watched staff as they took over her house on a video! We all wish her a very Happy Birthday.



The Royal Wedding Day

School celebrated in style for the Royal wedding of Prince Harry to Meghan Markle. The sun shone for us to dress in our wedding clothes and have a packed lunch on the school field. We invited Governors to attend and the 'Queen' even made an appearance!

Holiday Dates -

28th - Bank Holiday - school closed

29th - 1st June Half Term - school closed

June

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| w/c 4 th - Y5 Ford Castle Adventure Centre | 5 th - Y6 bus induction with Nexus |
| 8 th - Y6 OAA Festival | 11 th - KS1 Phonics Screening checks |
| 12 th - Y6 Quadkids Athletics Durham | 13 th - Y4 Song for Europe - Gala Theatre |
| 18 th - Sponsored Walk - Whole School | 20 th - Mini Tennis |
| 22 nd - MaryFest 2018 | 25 th - Y5 - Bikeability |
| 26 th - Y2 Walkworth Castle | 28 th - Y5 Cheerleading Festival |
| 29 th - The Big Challenge - the end of the show show | |

July

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| 2 nd - Y5 Kwick Cricket | 3 rd - Y2 OAA Festival |
| 6 th - Y2 & Y6 Sandcastle Competition | 11 th - Performance of Annie |
| 12/13 th - Y6 Transition Days | 12 th - Mini Police - Tall Ships event |
| 16 th - Y4 Bikeability | 17 th - Sports Day |
| 19 th - Y6 Leavers Assembly (pm) | |
| 20 th - End of Year Mass at St. Mary's Church | |
| 20 th - School Closed from 1:00pm | |

Further details will be sent out nearer to the event taking place.