

St Mary's News

Friday 25th March 2022

Spring 5

Dear Parents and Carers

We have been enjoying the beautiful springtime sunshine here at St Mary's and taking the opportunity for Early Years *Beach School*. The children were delighted to play on the beach and learn about all of the amazing creatures on the shore and in the sea.

Miss Stevenson has spent many hours refurbishing our key stage one library and we now have easy to access books available for our younger children. The children have been enjoying their reading using *Essential Letters and Sounds* and are making great progress in phonics. Mrs Guy has also generously donated the profits from the *Ice Pop Shop* to purchase extra books for the two key stage two libraries and these will be revealed to the children in the coming days! I am so delighted to see how many parents are writing in the yellow KS2 Reading Journals and talking to their children about reading so regularly.

A huge thank you for the many parents who made and donated cakes to our Cake Sale last Friday – and to the hardworking members of the *Families and Staff Association* who made it possible. The final total was an incredible £321.15 which will go to Cafod's Ukraine Appeal. It is truly humbling to see how much our school community cares for those in need. The teachers were not to be outdone and were quick to purchase and eat cakes made by Mrs Brown too! Thank you for continuing to fill your Missio boxes as well to help children in developing countries.

I am including two *Internet Safety Guides* with this Newsletter as we are aware that many of our older children are on social media and some are unaware of the safety features. Please be aware that 13 years old is the minimum age for opening an account on TikTok, Snapchat, Instagram and You Tube. For further information about staying safe online, please access https://www.internetmatters.org

We are looking forward to Spirituality Week from 1st April and hope you are able to join us either for assemblies of our end of term Mass on 8th April. The children love Spirituality Week and it gives them the opportunity for creativity, reflection and calm.

I hope you enjoy your weekend and hope to see you soon.

Kind Regards

Mr Edgington, Headteacher.

House Points

Our current house point totals are...

St Francis: 4699

St John Bosco: 3330

St Bernadette: 3101

St Catherine: 2976

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Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt 7th April 3.10pm - 4.10pm On the School Field £2.50 per Child.

Come along and find the letters to win your egg!
Children of all ages are welcome to take part. Please see Parentmail for more information and to purchase your tickets.

If there are any face painters amongst our families who would be willing to donate their time, we would also love to run a face painting stall alongside the Scavenger Hunt, so please do get in touch if you are able to help!

SPONSORED CHARITY DAY

On **Thursday 31st March**, we will be holding a Charity Day to raise money for Cafod's "Share the Journey" walk.

We will be walking in solidarity with refugees as part of a global campaign led by Pope Francis, *Share the Journey*, to stand up for the rights of refugees and migrants.

This is part of our aim to raise money for charity during Lent.

Each class will take part in a sponsored walk on our Daily Mile track and we are asking that you and your family and friends sponsor your child so that we can raise as much as possible for this good cause.

We are asking that the children complete a number of laps depending on their year group.

- EYS 4 laps
- KS1 6 laps
- LKS2 8 laps
- UKS2 10 laps

Your child can come to school in sporty clothing that is appropriate for the weather so that they can complete their class challenge!

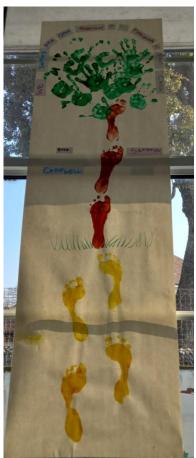
Thank you for your continued support!

Creative Homework for Spirituality Week

Below are a few examples of the wonderful homework that has been submitted

already in preparation for Spirituality week. We very much Look forward to seeing more of these being brought to school



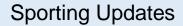












The children have been busy recently taking part in local Football, Netball and Rugby tournaments. They all had a great time joining in and represented our school positively throughout!

We also held a mini football tournament in school to support #LetGirlsPlay, a FA led movement to give girls an equal access to football in schools by 2024.





