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## St Mary's Newsletter 28.06.2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had a wonderful week in school with Sport's Day, Town Sports and Year 6 trip to Abernant Lake.

We hope you have enjoyed the Facebook updates.

Hopefully the sun will keep shining this weekend for you all!

Mrs Janet McKinlay

Headteacher

## Nursery Proposal

A consultation on the proposed changing of the age range of the school from 4-11 to 3-11 will start at the beginning of September 2024. The change, if approved, will enable the school to open a Nursery class from January 2025. Initially, the Nursery would open with 10 places with a view to expanding to 26 places as the numbers increase.

## Diary Date Reminders

Please note there will be no Kids with Bricks session on Wednesday 17th July and sessions will be refunded

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July to Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	School Book Fair after school 3.00pm-4.00pm
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	<p>Year 6 St Nicholas High School Transition Day</p> <p>Year 3 Swimming (last swimming session)</p> <p>Kids with Bricks Lego Club 3-4pm Years 1- 6  <a href="http://www.kidswithbricks.com">www.kidswithbricks.com</a> to book your child's place.</p>
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair from 3pm to 6pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>Language Day</p> <p><b>LAST SESSION BEFORE SUMMER BREAK</b>            Kids with Bricks Lego Club 3-4pm Years 1- 6  <a href="http://www.kidswithbricks.com">www.kidswithbricks.com</a> to book your child's place.</p>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly /Performance 5pm to 6.30pm- School Hall
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>ALL AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS FINISH FOR SUMMER</b>
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 1.45 pm to 2.45pm – School Hall
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>Year 1 and Year 2 Wheelock Farm Trip – Please see ParentPay for permission and payment details</p> <p>Year 6 Young Driver Experience in school</p>
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<p><b>THERE WILL BE NO KIDS WITH BRICKS LEGO CLUB TODAY</b></p> <p><b>LAST AFTER SCHOOL CLUB TODAY</b></p>
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	<p><b>LAST BREAKFAST CLUB TODAY</b></p> <p><b>School finishes at 1.30pm</b></p> <p><b>NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB TODAY</b></p>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	<b>School Closed for Summer Holidays</b>
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Party 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Royal British Legion
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	<p>School Opens at 8.30am</p> <p><b>Breakfast Club and After School Club begin.</b></p> <p>Kids with Bricks Lego Club 3-4pm Years 1- 6  <a href="http://www.kidswithbricks.com">www.kidswithbricks.com</a> to book your child's place.            Club will run from Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 to Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024.</p>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	After school Sports Clubs will commence

## Menu Days



### YEAR 6 LEAVERS MENU

FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

CHEESE & TOMATO PIZZA

ALL DAY BREAKFAST

CHEESE SANDWICH

CHOCOLATE BROWNIE & ICE CREAM



WEDNESDAY  
10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

FISH FINGERS WITH CHIPS &  
BAKED BEANS OR PEAS

HOME MADE CHEESE FLAN

CHEESE SANDWICH

## Residential Survey

### Educational Visits Survey

We believe that the residential trips that we currently go on in Key Stage 2 have always been deemed a strength of the school – Pettypool in Year 3 (2 days), Savio House in Year 4 (3 days), Redridge in Year 5 (3 days) and Manor Adventure in Year 6 (3 days). However, with the rising cost of living and increasing expense of all educational visits, we are reviewing our Educational Visits Policy and would like to take parental views into consideration. Therefore, we have created a survey on School Spider for you to complete. Please login to your School Spider App to complete. You will be asked to indicate which of the following you prefer:

- 1x Residential in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
- 1x Residential in Years 3, 4 and 6 and at least 2x day trips in Year 5 linked to the curriculum
- 1x Residential in Year 4 and 6 and at least 2x day trips in Year 3 and Year 5 linked to the curriculum
- 1x Residential in Year 6 and at least 2x day trips in Years 3, 4 and 5 linked to the curriculum
- No Residential and at least 2x day trips in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 linked to the curriculum

Whether we continue with all or a selected number of residentials, we will still offer some day trips such as the KS1 visit to Wheelock Farm, the whole school visit to the Pantomime in Northwich every other year and Crucial Crew for example.

## PE Timetable

Day of week	PE	Swimming
Monday	Reception, Y2, Y3,Y4, Y5	
Tuesday	Y1, Y6	
Wednesday	Y1, Y2, Y4, Y5, Y6	Year 3
Thursday	Reception	

Children are to wear their PE kit on their PE & swimming day.

## PTA Events





## Year 6 Leaver's Party

### YEAR 6 LEAVERS PARTY

Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
5:30pm to 7:30pm  
at the Royal British Legion

Tickets available from Gemma Dillon (07803 264453)

**Tickets are £15 each by cash or bank transfer**

The ticket price includes food, disco, and a keepsake.

We would love for the whole class to attend so if the ticket price is an issue for anyone, please let Gemma know.

Year 6 only. We will not be able to accommodate siblings.  
Parents/guardians are expected to attend and the bar will be open!

## Farewell To Father Peter

Father Peter retires this August and we are bereft that he will no longer be our parish priest. On the other hand, he deserves to down tools and enjoy life to the full!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Father Peter for all that he has done over the years; supporting the school and being a strong advocate for all of us. We know many of you would like to show your gratitude to him for his commitment and dedication. Anyone who wishes to make a donation to his birthday collection, or to add a personal comment to his card, should contact finance via [finance@stmrc.uk](mailto:finance@stmrc.uk)<sup>1</sup>

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## Year 6 Residential

Year 6 pupils excelled themselves. They took part in every activity, were team players and displayed great enthusiasm throughout the three days in Wales. Best of all, they impressed everyone with their manners and courtesy.





## Language Day

We are having a Language Day on Wednesday, July 10th. We hope to run a small French café for the children during language day serving squash and croissants/pain au chocolat. Pupils may come dressed in red, white and blue clothing.

£1 voluntary contribution to pay towards the cost of the activities.



## New Staffing List from September



### Staff (2024/2025)

• HEADTEACHER	Janet McKinlay
• ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER	Clare Cook
• TEACHERS	Reception – Charlotte Ashley Year 1 – Katy Martin & Kate Reed Year 2 – Clare Cook Year 3 – Laura Dziarnarski Year 4 – Taranie Woolley / Eve Smith Year 5 – Daniel Philo Year 6 – Shelley Hughes French – Sara Delapiana Laura Dziarnarski
• SENCO	
• TEACHING ASSISTANTS	Rita Poynton (HLTA) Sarah Davies (HLTA) Stephanie Whelan (HLTA) Deborah Welsh (HLTA) Lucy Smith (1:1) Carmen Shaw (1:1) Emma Schofield (1:1) Andrea Appleton (1:1) Leanne Quilliam (1:1) Hannah Clarke (1:1)
• SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER	Emma Bourne
• FINANCE/ADMIN OFFICER	Hayley Meachin
• SITE MANAGER	Anne Turnbull
• CARETAKER	Paula Smith
• SCHOOL CLEANERS	Paula Smith Karen Preston Hayley Smith
• PE COACH	Gary Lewis
• MIDDAY SUPERVISOR	Paula Smith
• MIDDAY ASSISTANTS	Karen Preston Karen Kowalski Tina Odgon Jade Smith Demi Lofthouse

## Holiday Club

There will be a holiday club running at St Mary's for 5 weeks from Monday 22nd July to Friday 23rd August 2024 run by Coach Gary, Coach Jack and Coach George. Please contact Coach Gary directly on [garyssc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:garyssc@hotmail.co.uk)<sup>2</sup> to book a place or collect a booking form from reception.

## School Book Fair

Join us for the School Book Fair from Monday 1st July to Wednesday 3rd July from 3-4pm.

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## Coming soon 'Rock and Pop' Music Lessons!

From **Friday 6th September** we will be welcoming Rocksteady Music School to school. It's an incredible opportunity for the children to learn to play their favourite songs in their very own bands with a choice of drums, keyboards, electric guitar, bass guitar or vocals.

As well as learning new musical skills, lessons also boost children's confidence, well-being, social skills, and teamwork. Lessons take place every week during school time.

You can sign up for lessons online - visit [www.rocksteadymusicschool.com](http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com)<sup>3</sup>.

If you have any questions about Rocksteady lessons, you can call 0330 113 0330 (local rate, office hours are Mon –Thurs 8am – 8pm, Fridays 8am – 6pm).

## Sports Day & Town Sports

Sports Day was a huge success, the weather was glorious so all the children got to take part in the various events. Thank you to Coach Gary, Mrs Martin, Mr Matt Armstrong and St Nicholas High School

<sup>3</sup><http://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com>

for delivering such a really well organised, structured successful Sports Day, it was lovely seeing the children participating in activities and events that they have practiced as part of their PE curriculum.

The Town Sports event at Middlewich Primary was also a great event where St Mary's did us proud coming 3rd place.

Well done St Mary's!!!















## Middlewich Cricket Club

Middlewich Cricket Club are looking for players year 3 and up of all abilities. Why not come down and try it out on Friday's from 6:30 to 8pm. Your parents are also welcome to come and relax in the sun with a beverage from our bar. For more details contact Chris Page on 07818 302295.

## Poetry Recital

Well done to everyone for learning a poem off by heart and performing it to the rest of their class last week. We all had lots of fun listening to the poems in our classrooms and voting for our favourites.

The finalists from each class performed their poems in our Poems Aloud assembly last Tuesday. We listened to poems like My Many Mes by Neal Zetter, On Top of Spaghetti by Tom Glazer and Snowball by Shel Silverstein. Reception treated us to a performance of On The Ning Nang Nong by Spike Milligan and Year 1 also entertained us all with Now We Are Six by A. A. Milne. All of the performances were absolutely fantastic and the whole school thoroughly enjoyed watching them!

After a whole school vote, Emily and Mia C from Year 6 were each awarded £10 of Scholastic Book Vouchers for first place and Ella P from Year 4 was awarded £5 as our runner-up! Pictures will be on the school website soon.

## Free Drama Classes for Young People

Message from Carney Academy

Do you have a budding performer, age 4-16 years? Maybe you have a child who's looking to build a little confidence? Either way, we're the class for you. Our classes are designed to teach performance and acting, whilst helping boost a child's confidence, concentration, communication and coordination skills. Classes for our summer term are currently free and we have a number of sessions for different age groups. Through dramatic play, movement, story and more, students in this can expect to enter the inspiring and magical world of performance. Based in Sandbach but open to all, across Cheshire East. Link address: <https://www.carneyacademy.co.uk>

Contact: David Gregan-Jones: [Cheshire@carneyacademy.co.uk](mailto:Cheshire@carneyacademy.co.uk) 07794 696773

## Attendance



The Department for Education (DfE), Ofsted and the North West Association of Directors of Children's Services (NWADCS) have committed to working together to help schools to improve pupils' rates of attendance across the North West region. As such, they will be working with schools, multi-academy trusts and local authorities across the region to share best practice around improving pupils' rates of attendance and reducing persistent absence.



## Well done Stars of The Week!

Week ending 21.06.2024

Reception	Jaydan Connolly
Year 1	Oliver Chow
Year 2	Arthur Doherty
Year 3	Emily Walters
Year 4	Zachary Spann
Year 5	Lewis Costello
Year 6	Harry Dewsbury
After School Club	Georgia Morris



Week ending 28.06.2024

Reception	Seren Poutney
Year 1	Lula Keller
Year 2	Dalice Nsangu
Year 3	Adalynn Thathapuddy
Year 4	Lottie-Rae Kerr
Year 5	Pippa Hough
Year 6	Class of Year 6!
After School Club	Jack Page

## ParentPay Accounts

**Please can you check your ParentPay accounts for each child are up to date for the week ahead.**

The school operates a **NO DEBT** rule relating to the provision of school meals so please ensure your school meal account is in credit for the week ahead.

Please note this message does not apply to school trip items which already have payments schedules in place.

We would like to thank all parents / carers that pay promptly, as this ensures that all money that is for children's learning is available.

## After School & Breakfast Club bookings

**Please book on ParentPay.**

The cut-off date for Breakfast Club bookings is 11am the day before the booking.

The cut-off date for After School Club bookings is 11am on the day.

This is so that staffing and numbers can be set and managed.

Users will be able to cancel and make changes to their booking up until the booking cut off time.

If a child is picked up late from After School Club a charge of £5 will be made for every 15 minutes beyond the collection time.

After the cut off time, if a child is booked into a club and does not attend, the fee will still apply as the charge relates to the place being held not the actual attendance.

### **Clubs prices**

Breakfast Club	£4.50 7.30am to 8.30am
After School Club	£4.00 3pm to 4pm Fruit & drink provided
	£6.50 4pm to 6pm Snack & drink provided at 4pm
	£10.50 3pm to 6pm - Sibling's price is £8.50

The Breakfast Club and After School Club number for emergencies operates whilst the club is running  
0777 4496 483

## **Morning Registration & End of Day Release**

Morning registration takes place at 8.30am each morning. Please ensure your child arrives to school on time and has everything for the day ahead.

To ensure a smooth end of day release for children, please can Parent's / Carer's ensure any messages regarding alternative collection arrangements are relayed to the teacher first thing in a morning or to the office by 2pm latest and if your child is not booked into a club, please ensure they are collected on time at 3pm.

## **Contacting the School**

### **Absence**

- Reporting an absence, please ring 01606 516 171 & select option 1, by 9am latest each day. State child's full name, class and reason for absence.

### **Email [finance@stmrc.uk](mailto:finance@stmrc.uk)<sup>4</sup> for:**

- ParentPay & School Club queries
- Medical appointments & Absence Requests

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