



Academy News

St Mary Queen of Martyrs VC Academy takes seriously its responsibility to safeguarding all children and adults and has a rigorous procedure in place to do so. The Academy does not tolerate bullying and deals with all forms very seriously

Note from the Headteacher

Safeguarding: As you know we take Safeguarding very seriously at St Mary Queen of Martyrs. This week our lunchtime staff have had training on 'What to do if a child chokes'. Mr Farrah (who is a trained paramedic and a parent) delivered the training. This is in response to the dreadful tragedy in Anlaby Primary School when a 5 year old boy choked on a sausage roll and died tragically.

Bullying: We take 'Bullying' very seriously at St Mary Queen of Martyrs and if a child demonstrates more than once that they have been bullying eg name calling, physical aggression, verbal threats, spreading rumours - they will be entered into the 'Bully Book' and parents will be informed.

Saying good bye: We had two brilliant leaving assemblies for Mrs Monahan and Miss Boyes. We are very sad to say goodbye but wish them every happiness in retirement and future careers.

Enjoy: Have a lovely half term with your children and thank you for your continued support. Back to school 27th Feb

This Weeks Attendance

Overall attendance is very low at:

92.9%

Classes with NO lates:

Miss Boyes/Mrs Onn

Miss Richert

Miss Ravenscroft

NO class attended the ice-cream parlour this week

Please ensure you phone the school office on the morning of your child's absence.

Home Reading			
SR	86%	NR	60%
JC	61%	JG	45%
HR	41%	DL	53%
AB/MO	45%	LA	66%
JH	88%	SB	77%
ME	40%		

27th Feb - return to March

1st Ash Wednesday

3rd World Book Day

7th Yr 4 swimming assessment

10th HR class Assembly

April

4th Phase 2 Play Yr 3 parents

5th Phase 2 Play Yr 4 parents

6th Easter Bonnet parade 9.30

Break up for Easter Holidays

16th Easter Sunday

May

5th Mrs Broadhead assembly

8th SATs week

Save the Date!

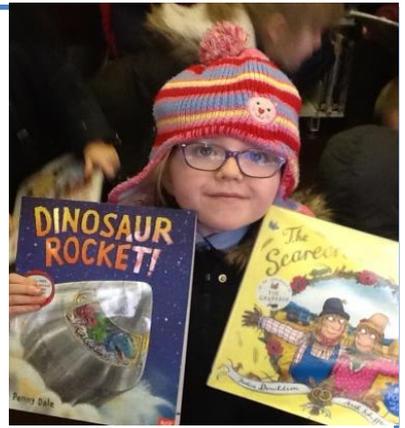
Foundation

Wow half term already? We have done so much in Foundation this term. This week we have been telling the time to o'clock. We set ourselves some time challenges and found that it takes us longer than we thought to do some things. We have been writing captions and labels which helped us to know different parts of a car. We have all been using prime colours to mix and make new colours. Did you know if we mix red and blue it makes purple? We have made some lovely feelings faces. We have decorated down the corridor to show the rest of the school how we all feel in Foundation. We have been investigating what happens to ice when we leave it out. We put coloured ice into the water tray and watched what happens to it. Try this one at home and see for yourself.



Phase 1

We cannot believe it is half term already! Your children have had great fun learning new things this term. The recent library trip was a success and we hope to see all children reading **at least 3 times** a week. There is now a whole school reward system in place after half term. The children who read at home, collect the most points to spend in a toy shop! So, get reading! Phase 1 staff would like to say a big thank you to all parents who supported the Castle Building afternoon. The children had great fun. It is a great opportunity for you to work with your child and Phase 1 staff take great pleasure from seeing everybody working together and enjoying themselves! On a different note, it is with sadness that we say goodbye to Miss Boyes but we wish her every success for the future. We warmly welcome Mrs Merckel who is joining us after



the half term. We have so much to look forward to after half term - including a whole Phase trip to the Blade in Queen Victoria Square! Please ensure your child has sandshoes and a full PE kit upon their return to school. It would also be really helpful if you could send a baby photo of your child into school as soon as possible as our new RE topic is 'Change'

and we want the children to look at themselves and identify how they have changed over the years. Finally, Phase 1 staff wish you a wonderful half term break with your family.

Phase 2

In Science this week we have been conducting experiments about sound and how to design ear defenders. The children have learnt about the importance of fair tests and how to protect their hearing from loud noises. This week, the children have turned into reporters. They have used their cross-curricular knowledge about Lillian Bilocca and have written interesting articles on how she stopped St Kaverne from leaving St. Andrew's Dock.



Year 3 visited the St. Mary's church to ask Father Mulholland to ask all the difficult questions about Eucharist and the Offertory Gifts. Miss Richert's class has been involved in hockey practice in P.E. with the fantastic Hull Pirates! Nathan and Martin did a wonderful job in transforming the children into professional hockey players. They had so much fun! Finally, we have begun Matilda rehearsals. We are very excited and looking forward to 4th and 5th of April, when we can show the parents our children's true talents. Many parts have been cast but we would like to assure you that every child will be involved and will play a part in the performance.



Phase 3

It is half term and what a busy week it's been! This week Phase 3 waved goodbye to Mrs Monahan and Miss Boyes by learning and singing special songs for both of them in their respective leaving assemblies. They will both be sadly missed and everyone in Phase 3 would like to wish them the best of luck in the future!

In the classroom we have been extremely busy once again and our children definitely deserve a well-earned break! After half term, boosting groups will begin in Year 6 as we will be getting ever closer to SATs (which will begin on the 8th May). We will also be offering many pupils extra tuition. This will be an extremely important time for our Year 6 pupils and we expect them to give their absolute best efforts in an attempt to finish their time at St Mary Queen of Martyrs with a flourish!

We hope you have an enjoyable half term and look forward to seeing you soon.