



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

Hull's History: As you can see from the display photographs we are really celebrating Hull's history through Art/Design and creative writing. We are looking forward to inviting the Phase 2 parents on February 7th for the 'Tea and Trawler' afternoon.

Reading: Thank you to the parents who supported the 'Stay and Read' visit, we hope you discovered some tips for reading at home. We are really trying to encourage all children to read at home for pleasure. Please try to inspire your child/children to read at every opportunity. They all love bedtime stories (even when they are in Year 6), so try to always finish the evening with a story.

Chaplains: Congratulations to our excellent Chaplains who do a wonderful job of spreading the Light of Jesus in everything they say and do!

Attendance: We hope we can reward pupils with excellent attendance this week with an ice cream from our ice cream parlour! It could be **YOU!**

This Weeks Attendance

Overall attendance is very low
at: **91.52%**

Classes with NO lates:

**Miss Ravenscroft's &
Miss Richert's**

We have NO classes attending
the ice-cream parlour this week.

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

Home Reading			
SR	65%	NR	70%
JC	67%	JG	38%
HR	48%	DL	87%
AB/MO	26%	LA	81%
JH	50%	SB	83%
ME	38%		

February

- 7th Safer Internet Day
Puppet Show-Mr Luscombe's class
- 8th Tea & Trawler at 1.15pm-Phase 2
Stay & Read at 2.30pm - Miss
Clarke's class.
- 9th Castle making pm - Phase 1
- 10th Miss Richert's class Assembly

March

- 1st Ash Wednesday
- 2nd 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

School Council Report

This half term we have been thinking about how we can reward the good behaviour school council members see on a lunch time. We came up with an idea to write good role-model things we see on post it notes near the council board for everyone to see. Then in our meeting we choose together the person to get the role-model of the week award. We even designed our own certificate to give to the person in assembly. This week we chose Aoife Jordan for playing nicely with her friends! We have also been busy doing a pupil voice to find out what we all think of maths, English and Science in school and if we have any suggestions to make these subjects even better! We look forward to showing our findings to Mrs Graham.



Foundation

In Foundation this week we have had lots of fun with our learning. This week in FS1 we had our Junk Modelling workshop. We made lots of different vehicles from a variety of materials. We have displayed these in school for everyone to look at. Miss Read had her Stay and Read. Thank you to all the parents who came. The children have been taking advantage of the nice weather today and we have been playing lots of outdoor games today. We have been building an outdoor railway station using the crates, wood and other resources we have.



Phase 1



We have had great fun this week! First, we visited Branshorne library and learned how a library works. The librarian who works there told us all about fiction and non-fiction books and how to use the library services. We hope that this inspires the children to use the library service often and read as much as possible. It is important that children enjoy reading for pleasure. Secondly, we had a special meal to celebrate our new RE topic 'Meals'. The children made their own biscuits and decorated them with chocolate and sprinkles. They used their measuring skills that they



had learned in maths when following the recipe. They also made a special place mat for the special meal and linking with our topic, 'Kings and Queens', they invited Queen Conroy, King Muldowney and Queen Hardmeat to our special meal. The children made special invites and made royal bunting. It was very exciting and the children enjoyed having a biscuit and a drink together. The children will be talking about meal times throughout their RE topic. Perhaps you can discuss this when you are having a meal together at home? A reminder regarding the library visit: If your child borrowed library books on the day of the visit, it is your responsibility to return them to any library in the Hull area.

Phase 2



What a week of productivity we have had in Phase 2! In Maths, we have been focusing on telling the time and solving problems involving time, including the 24hr clock! In Literacy, we have been working towards writing diary entries from the perspective of Matilda and other characters in the book.

Our Science experiment this week has involved designing headphones for our favourite rockstar's children - their hearing must be protected! We are looking at different materials that will help muffle sound effectively.

Our production of Matilda is well under-way and we have given out parts for the main characters. Please be assured that EVERY pupil will have a part in our production - it is a team effort! We look forward to you joining us on **Wednesday February 8th** at 1:15pm for our Trawler and Tea afternoon to celebrate the children's work so far. We will be studying the headscarf campaign further and there will be some performances!

Phase 3

We've continued our study of the Amazon Rainforest this week, focusing on the different layers within it. Our children have also produced some excellent graphs comparing the climate of the Amazon Rainforest to that of our country. In literacy lessons and guided reading both year groups have enjoyed getting stuck into their class reads (Journey to the River Sea for Y6 and There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom for Y5). We're certainly looking forward to producing some amazing writing based around these books over the coming weeks!

