



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

Parents' Evenings: March 27th & 28th Please remember to return your slip to school. It is vital that all parents make an appointment to see the class teacher as we want to support you in helping at home and we want to celebrate the wonderful work that your child/ren are already doing.

Fruit break: As you know KS1 children have free fruit at break time, however this does not happen in KS2. We know it is a long time from breakfast to lunch, so please encourage your child/ren to bring fruit to school to eat at break times.

Year 6 SATs tuition: A huge thank you to all the Year 6 parents who are supporting our breakfast tuition and the one-to one tuition. Thank you for ensuring that your child is ready for learning. As you know the **National** Year 6 SATs test start on **May 8th**. Year 6 children need to be in school every day that week.

Our Catholic Life

This week's Statement of Belief, 'I try to keep going when things are difficult and not give up hope.' has been of great comfort this week. We have all been working incredibly hard to be the best that we can be. Learning about 'God's love' through our Gospel reading on Jesus meeting the Samaritan Woman has also been particularly inspiring.

This Weeks Attendance

Overall attendance is: **96.3%**

Classes with NO lates:

Ms Read, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Merckel,
Mr Hermann & Mrs Allen

Class attending the ice-cream parlour this week is:

Ms Read

Well done!

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

Home Reading

SR	81%	NR	48%
JC	74%	JG	59%
HR	45%	DL	73%
KM	41%	LA	78%
ME	67%	JH	75%
SB/MO	53%		

March

- 21st Foundation workshop afternoon 1.30 pm - Parents welcome
- 22nd March 2pm - FOS meeting - everyone welcome
- 27th Parents' Evening 3.15pm - 6.30pm
- 28th Parents' Evening - 3.15pm - 5.30pm
- 30th Phase 1 D&T afternoon for parents
- 31st Irish dancing display at 2.15pm

April

- 4th Phase 2 Matilda Yr 3 parents @1.15
- 5th Phase 2 Matilda Yr 4 parents @1.15
- Easter Bonnet parade 9.30 pm
- 6th Whole school mass am
- Easter Liturgy at 2.15pm
- 6th **Break up for Easter Holidays**
- 24th Return after the Easter holidays

Foundation

We have all had a very busy week, it has passed so quickly. In Maths this week FS2 have been learning the days of the week, months of the year and sorting these into our seasons. We have been re-telling the story of 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by writing sentences. We have started a new topic in RE which is all about growth. During our Knowledge & Understanding session we have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. Ask your child to explain it to you. In FS1 they have produced some lovely art work this week creating symmetrical butterflies, flowers and caterpillars. They have been learning some new rhymes too. We have had many parents send back a 'Wow' moment for their child. These are now displayed in the unit on our Wow tree. It is beginning to fill up fast. If you would like to have a Wow moment on there for your child, please ask the class teacher/key worker for a slip. A reminder to all parents, that our planting workshop is next Tuesday 21st March 2017 at 1.30 pm to 3 pm. We have got a variety of activities planned and it will be a fantastic opportunity to work alongside your child. We look forward to seeing many of you there.



Whole School News

Mrs Kelsey attended the BDPL meeting on 15/03/2017. With the support from Daniel Cuthbert- Hall and Keira Hemstock pieces of work from our school were taken to Winifred Holtby to submit our creative entries based on the "Made in Hull" topic. The following Children have had their fantastic creative work chosen and entered into the Bransholme District Partnership Exhibition. Olivia Jacyna (Y6), Bradley Weichardt (Y6), Maddison Sharkett (Y6), Matthew Shepherdson (Y5), Mia Stead (Y4), Daisy Hicks (Y3), Kevin Kiraly (Y3), Libby Judd (Y3), Victoria Barron (F2), Harry Stanford (F2). Everybody is welcome at Winifred Holtby (Thursday 23rd March 4:30-6:30) to view the children's work and most importantly choose your favourite piece, fabulous prizes will be given for the best in each Key Stage.



Phase 1

Phase 1 really enjoyed their trip to the Blade this week. They enjoyed learning lots of facts from a Siemens engineer. They learned how the blade was built and what it is used for. They also enjoyed visiting the Guildhall, Maritime Museum and Ferens Art Gallery. We are very proud of our city of Culture! It was brilliant to



see our pupils so excited and exploring parts of old town they haven't seen before. Their behaviour was exemplary as always; your children are a credit to the school. Our new RE topic is 'Change'. It would be great if you could send a baby photo of your child into school so we can discuss how they have changed and put their photo on our RE tree. In other news, we have been assessing your child's reading, writing and mathematics skills this week and we will be able to talk to you about your child's progress in our upcoming parents' evenings on 27th and 28th March.

Phase 2 Our Phase has had a very busy week as Matilda rehearsals are now in full swing! In the mornings we began the week with an investigation into the reflection of light. We explored the religion of Islam in RE while in maths we have become rounding experts! All of that is before we even get to the afternoons which have been



filled with fantastic Matilda rehearsals, PE and topic lessons. Well done to all children who have learnt their lines so well. We can't wait to watch the production develop even further next week. Keep up the tremendous work!



Phase 3

It finally seems that Spring is arriving! We've been busy again in Phase 3 this week. In literacy lessons, Year 6 have continued to read "The Giant's Necklace" and have enjoyed writing beach safety leaflets whilst Year 5 have continued reading "There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom" and producing some excellent writing also. In science lessons we have investigate the amount of sugar in various items of food and drink. We were amazed to find out how much sugar was in a bottle of Coca-Cola and even a can of tomato soup. Next week is testing week, an opportunity for children to demonstrate how much they have learnt across the term and an opportunity for the Year 6 pupils to get used to sitting a full set of SAT style papers.

