



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 our Head of School

SATs tests Our Year 6 children have been amazing this week, remaining calm and really trying their very best. Every single Y6 child was in school for the tests, which was brilliant. It is the turn of Year 2 next week and we know that they will do themselves proud. Thank you for your support in keeping the children calm and prepared.

Be Spirited Day On Wednesday next week, we are excited to be welcoming the Chaplaincy Team into school for the whole day. Miss Onn and the other chaplains will be leading us in a day of prayer, reflection and fun activities all linked to Pentecost. This fits in well with the feast of Pentecost this Sunday. It means unfortunately that Mrs Foster's class Stay & Pray will be postponed from next Wednesday until the Wednesday after half term, which is 6th June.

FOS Discos On Wednesday next week the FOS have organised end of half term discos. Please see details below.

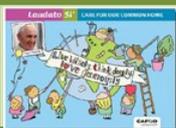
Freetown, Sierra Leone As I write this newsletter, Mr Guthrie is in the air on the way to Freetown with a group of teachers from Hull. He will be spending the week working in our partner school, Empowering Children and also working with the Headteacher, Ibrahim, on new projects which will improve the education of the children in the area. Please watch out for tweets from him and other members of the Freetown Society, who will be keeping us updated on events.

Royal Wedding We have had a great day in school getting into the party mood; the school is awash with red, white and blue. Thank you for all the donations for our cake sale - it is obvious that we have some very talented bakers in our school community. I really enjoyed sampling the cakes and buns and I'm sure everyone else did too. Nikki and the kitchen staff worked hard to provide a super buffet lunch, adding to the party spirit.

Keeping Fit A large group of our children are trying to run a mile a day on the school field. This week around 50 children managed to complete the run. Well done and let's see if we can increase that number next week.

Book Sale We will be having a sale of ex-library stock from the Hull Library Service on Friday 25th May at 3pm on the KS2 playground (weather permitting). All books cost 20p. The money raised will be shared between school and the Library Service.

Class assembly Well done to Mrs Foster's class for a superb class assembly this afternoon. What a talented group of children. It was an excellent way to end the week.



The 7th Week of Easter - This week we learned how Jesus prayed asking God our Father to keep us in his care and to show us how to live as one. We also learned about Pope Francis' letter 'Laudato Si' and how he calls us to care for God's beautiful world, our 'Common Home'.

Attendance

This week: 95%
Miss Allen & Mrs Foster's classes achieved the attendance reward this week

Please contact the school office before 9 am if your child is too ill to attend

Home Reading

LA	93%	KA	42%
JH	89%	KM	93%
NA	88%	SR	73%
SB/CR	97%	KL	68%
JF	83%	JC	86%
ME	81%		

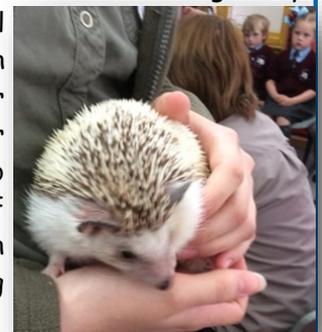
Date Event

23rd	FOS Disco 4:15-5:15 pm F2, Y1 & 2 only 5:30-6:30 pm Y3/4/5 & 6 only
24th	9.10 am end of half term Mass
25th	BREAK UP at 3:00pm for half term
3rd June	First Communion in St Mary Queen of Martyrs and St Francis churches
4 June	BACK TO SCHOOL
4th	1:30 pm Y3 Library visit (ME Literacy set)
4-6th	Y6 Residential trip
6th	Mr Evans' Class Stay and Pray and Mrs Foster's Class Stay and Pray



Foundation This week has passed so quickly in Foundation because we have been so busy. Thank you to all those FS1 parents who supported their child last week when we had Sam's Safari in school. The children learned so much from the experience and we hope you did too. The children have been doing a lot of follow up work this week based around the visit. In Maths, FS1 children have been sequencing time and the things they do throughout their day. In FS2, we have been learning to tell the time on an analogue clock using o' clock and half past. In

Literacy, we have started to write a story map for The Bad Tempered Ladybird. During our Collective Worship this week we all acted out the story of The Good Samaritan. Our caterpillars which changed into a chrysalis over the bank holiday have all now turned into beautiful butterflies. We released them all today during our school celebrations in honour of the Royal Wedding, which is taking place tomorrow. We have had a number of lost items in Foundation so please can I remind you to make sure your child's name is in all items of clothing and footwear, including PE kits. Thank you.





Phase 1 Hello Everyone! We cannot believe how fast this half term is passing! Only one more week to go before Half Term! Your children have enjoyed designing and painting their own Carnival mask this week and adding feathers. Our locker area is looking beautiful - just like a carnival! Please bring in a school project if you can (either a mask or a headdress) so we can add it to our display. Thank you to those children who have already brought their project in. They look fantastic! Miss Adam's class held a 'Stay and Pray' Collective Worship this week. Thank you to those parents/carers who came along. We hope you enjoyed it. This week Year 2 children have worked tirelessly, preparing for their SATs tests. Please try to keep your child relaxed and calm about the tests which will be taking place on Monday,

Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings next week. We have really tried to instil into the children that SATs are a normal part of school life so there should be no need for any child to be anxious or stressed. Next week you will receive a letter about your child going on a school trip to East Park to take part in the 'Big Malarkey' in June. We also have a school trip planned to Yorkshire Wildlife Park in July. You will find out more details after Half Term. Enjoy the weekend!



Phase 2 The work produced by the pupils in Phase 2 this week has been incredible. With a big focus on writing, both Year 3 and Year 4 have written fantastic pieces. In Year 3, their writing revolved around The Flower. Creating their own story following the plot structure, the pupils should be proud of their sentence structure and the maturity displayed in their writing. The Year 4s completed their persuasive letter. They found out that the milk that is delivered to schools has single use plastic straws so began to research this problem. They have become passionate as they strive to help rid Hull of plastic straws. Their letters had fantastic arguments, appropriate facts and rhetorical questions to really make the reader think. We look forward to hearing the company's reply! It is great to see the next generation taking up a keen interest in protecting our environment. Mr Guthrie flew to

Freetown today to visit Empowering Children School for a week. The twinned schools have focused on The UN's Sustainable Development Goals and Mr Guthrie looks forward to feeding back to us how we can all become eco warriors and help our school become a 'Zero Waste' environment.

Phase 3 Firstly we would like to say a huge congratulations to our Year 6 pupils for successfully negotiating their SATs this week. This is never an easy time of year but the children took the tests in their stride and performed admirably. We were really impressed by the determination and confidence on show throughout the six tests that were completed across the subjects Reading, Grammar Punctuation and Spelling and Mathematics. Results from the tests will be published on the 10th July. To celebrate the completion of SATs, Year 6 enjoyed spending plenty of time outside and also enjoyed playing games together on Friday. On Thursday afternoon many of our children were finally able to complete the painting of their Egyptian death masks. On Friday we also celebrated The Royal Wedding by dressing in red, white and blue and enjoying a buffet lunch. We'd like to thank those of you who donated buns and cakes for our sale on Friday. The money raised will go towards the costs of visits and extra curricular activities for Phase 3 during the remainder of the term. We hope that you have an enjoyable weekend and we look forward to an action packed last week before the half term break.

