

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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St Mary's News letter 5th July 24

Headteachers Update 5.7.24

Wow! What a great week the children have had, taking part in Mission Week and spreading the message of #makingadifferencetogether to our local community.

Each year group has made a difference, small or large to their community- our Early Years classes have been out and about sharing our good news and giving out messages of hope and love through the coloured stones and pebbles.

Our year 1 and 2's, with your help, have made a donation to the St Petroc's homeless charity. The charity was so pleased that our school took part in such a generous donation.

Our Year 3's have made lovely pots to plant flowers around our school- helping to look after our local environment and make a change.

Our year 4's put on a lovely 'scone and tea' event for all grandparents and some parents. This was so well received and it is lovely to see you in our school. We hope to have more events for other older generations.

Our year 5's made an impact with 'stewardship' and looking after our local area with their big litter pick. Thank you Year 5's.

Our Year 6 pupils spread the good news and gave hope to others through giving out letters and posters to our local community.

A huge thank you to all our children and the difference they make, we are proud of them all.

To top it all, today we hold a tree planting ceremony at the school to celebrate the beginning of the 10 year anniversary of the Plymouth CAST family.

Further events will be held over the next year, but this week we stop and reflect on what we have achieved so far and what we hope to achieve for the future. Further details will follow soon.

Next week, the children will take part in their transition morning with their new teacher. We welcome our new Reception class (some from Nursery and some from other settings) to the school and also welcome new children and their families into our nursery class.

All that remains for me to say, is have a wonderful weekend.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Alison McDonald and the team at St Mary's







Dates for the Diary



Nursery and Reception Class News

The children in Nursery and Reception class have worked really hard this week for Mission Week, they thought about what messages and pictures would make the community smile and decorated pebbles with their ideas. They hid their creations around Bodmin for lucky members of the public to find.





Year 1 News

What a great week in year 1!

In English, year 1 have finished writing their Funnybones stories. Their task was to reimagine the story using their creativity and imagination, and the results have been fantastic! We are very proud of the effort each child put into their work. Their stories reflect their growing writing skills, as well as their ability to think creatively and independently.

In Maths this week we have been strengthening our understanding of multiples of numbers up to 10. The children enjoyed using manipulatives such as counters and number lines, which helped them visualize the concept and solidify their understanding.

In Science year 1 have been engaged in learning about the importance of hygiene and the practice of brushing their teeth. The children explored germs and how they can spread, highlighting the importance of regular handwashing, bathing, and maintaining overall cleanliness. We then focused on dental care, where we explored why brushing our teeth is crucial for maintaining a healthy smile. The children were introduced to proper brushing techniques, including how long to brush and the importance of reaching all parts of their mouths.

In History Year 1 have designed their own map of Bodmin from the 1950's. They began by sketching the layout of Bodmin High Street, marking out the shops you would find in 1950's. We provided historical photos and resources to help them visualize to accurately show the town's features.

For Mission Week 24, year 1 and 2 bought a variety of different things in for the St. Petroc's Society for the homeless. Thank you to everyone who gave a donation!

Thank you Year 1 😊











Year 2 News

Another busy week for year 2. In English we have been looking at instruction writing. In maths we have been looking at mass. We have done lots of RE this week where we have been looking at God's Treasures. It has been lovely to hear what the children see as treasures in the world around them.

For Mission Week 24 the children in year 1 & 2 have been collecting lots of different things for The ST. Petroc's Society for the homeless. Yesterday we had a presentation in the hall when we heard how important and amazing these donations were to the homeless charity. Jackie Davis from the Society came along and was blown away by the fantastic donations that had been given and she explained to the children what a difference it would make to the lives of the homeless people they would go to. Well done everyone!



Year 3 News

It's been another great week in year 3! In English we've been working on instruction writing, looking at imperative verbs and the structure and features of instructions. We've then written our own instructions on how to brush our teeth!

In maths we've been looking at time, telling the time to 5 minutes, 1 minute, and reading the time on a digital clock. Time can be a really tricky thing to master so please do lots of practise at home!

We enjoyed cricket on Tuesday and have spent lots of time for mission week making the peace garden a more inviting space, with lots of colourful pots created in class.

A great end to the week. Well done, Year 3!















Year 4 News

Year 4, we've had such a busy week.

We started the week by taking part in our first Decider Skills session. The Decider Skills use Cognitive Behaviour Therapy to teach children, young people and adults the skills needed to recognise their own thoughts, feelings and behaviours, enabling them to monitor and manage their own emotions and our mental health. These sessions will continue until the end of term.

In English, we have written all of our paragraphs of information for our non-chronological reports and now we need to construct our final pieces.

Our mission week project was to invite our grandparents into school. We spent Wednesday morning making scones for our fantastic cream tea. It was lovely to witness the children interacting, asking questions and taking the time to share the work they are so proud of while having a cup of tea and a delicious cream tea. A huge thank you to Martin Henderson, Morrisons Bodmin Community Champion, for donating a gift card for us to buy ingredients for us to make this possible. Thank you, to all the grandparents who attended, the children loved it as much as you did.















Year 5 News

Well done Year 5!

Another wonderful week. As part of our mission week, we completed a litter pick around Bodmin. We added some posters to various shops and cafes in the town to promote stewardship; caring for our creation across the community.

The children were fabulously behaved. Polite and able to talk about our mission to members of the public that asked.

Thank you!



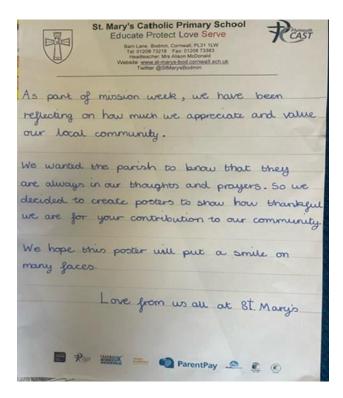


Year 6 News

Happy Friday!

We have had a great week. The children have been out on their transition visits and have come back buzzing! For Mission Week, we have been out and about in the community spreading happiness and joy to the parish. We visited many shops, hairdressers, newsagents, charity shops and even Bosvena to show our appreciation for all they do and alsohand out letters and posters about happiness, joy and kindness.





Pastoral and SEN News



Attendance Update

This week the attendance trophy has been won by Reception class with an attendance of 98% ! Amazing job Reception !

Please can we remind all parents and carers to report all absences on the absence phone line. Please could you do this even if you have sent a DoJo message to staff members as sometimes our admin team don't get to see the member of staff until later in the day whereas the absence line is checked from 8am onwards.



Coffee morning and Uniform Sale

Thank you to everyone who came to the coffee morning - it was lovely to see some new faces and have a chat with you all. We are hoping to hold more coffee and chat mornings in the next school year.

Office News



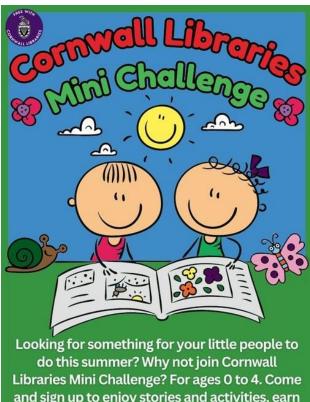
Community links and events

Summer activity camps - Time to Move booking form

St Mary's Parish



1 - Don't forget the Summer Reading Challenge begin's tomorrow. Visit your local library at Chy Trevail. Get reading!



Also this year is the mini-challenge for child aged 0-4 years old.

and sign up to enjoy stories and activities, earn stamps and spark a lifelong love for books. Call into your local library and ask staff for more details.

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