



# St Mary's C of E Primary School

## Parent Newsletter

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### Statutory Assessment – Years 1, 2 and 6

We are now entering the period of administering various tests and assessments as required by the Department for Education. For the benefit of parents of children in these year groups, the dates of these are below:

**Year 6: Mon 8<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Year 2: Weds 17<sup>th</sup>/Thurs 18<sup>th</sup>/Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> May.**

**Year 1: Mon 12<sup>th</sup> to Fri 16<sup>th</sup> June.**

Parents of children in these classes are strongly advised to ensure that their children are in school on time during the period applicable to them and that they get plenty of sleep and rest during this time.

### Lunchtime Supervisors

The school requires additional members to our team of Lunchtime Supervisors from September as part of our continued expansion in pupil numbers. The hours are 11.35 to 1.30 during school term-time only. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact the school office for more details and an application form. Recruitment will be taking place shortly after the half-term break.

### Important Dates (for the remainder of the term)

**Half-term begins:** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May

**Children return:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June

**General Election:** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June – closed to pupils

**Summer term ends:** Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July

### Children return for 2017/18 academic year:

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

#### Key Dates – May onwards

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs week
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	4G swimming daily for 2 weeks
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 parent workshop 2.30pm
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Y2 Pirate workshop
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 Bikeability all week
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 Think Tank in school
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Y5 Bikeability all week
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	One world show 2.30pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May-2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Half Term holiday –school closed
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	4L swimming daily for 2 weeks
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	New Reception parent meeting
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	General election-school closed
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 Cadbury World
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	2Bluebirds assembly 9am
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Blists Hill
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Y4 Weston
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	1 Foxes assembly 9am
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	1Hedgehogs assembly 9am
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June – Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Y5&Y6 PGL
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 leavers service in Birmingham
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	FOSM summer fair
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Waterworld
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Guitar assembly 9am

For dates please see website calendar [www.stmarys-sellyoak.co.uk](http://www.stmarys-sellyoak.co.uk)

### Staffing

Miss Hudd will be starting her maternity leave from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June - all of us at St Mary's wish her well and look forward to hearing happy news later in the Summer term.

Her class will be taken by Miss Bulmer for the remainder of the term as she joins us as a permanent member of staff from that date.

### Attendance

Our attendance figure to date is 96.9%. A reminder that any late children are to report to the office and not the classroom doors as office staff must have an accurate picture of attendance each day. The current figures are below:

<b>Zebras:</b> 94.7%	<b>Elephants:</b> 95.6%
<b>Foxes:</b> 95.7%	<b>Hedgehogs:</b> 98%
<b>Robins:</b> 96.7%	<b>Bluebirds:</b> 97.2%
<b>Dolphins:</b> 97.2%	<b>Starfish:</b> 97.8%
<b>Giraffes:</b> 97.7%	<b>Lions:</b> 95.8%
<b>Tigers:</b> 98.6%	<b>Monkeys:</b> 97.7%

### Parent Governor

The governing body intends to begin the process of electing a parent governor to serve the school from September 2017.

If this is something that you would like to know more about, there are two opportunities to find out more about the role of a governor and specifically the types of skills that governors are looking to add as a complement to those already present.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the school office by Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May.

### Safeguarding

The school takes its safeguarding duty seriously. If you have any concerns about the safety or well-being of a child, then you must contact the school or the Birmingham Children's Information and Advice Service on 0121-303-1888 in confidence.

### A Prayer

#### Lord God,

Thank you for the special times we enjoy and look forward to.

Help and encourage us when life is not easy.

May the flame of your love be kept alive in us today and always, through the gift of your Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

