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'Within the love of God, working together, growing together, for all to flourish.'

Rights Respecting Focus -
ARTICLE 24 –

Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must work to provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food and a clean environment so that children can stay healthy.

We're motoring on through the term and with three weeks still to go, we know there is still so much to look forward to.

Please read the newsletter carefully as it does have lots of information about upcoming events that you need to make sure you have added to your diary.

Thank you for your continued support at this very busy time.

Upcoming Events

Mon 6th July – KS2 trip to Crownhill Fort

Mon 6th July – Y2 & YR to Mothercombe Farm

Tues 7th July – Y1 to Mothercombe Farm

Wed 8th July – Author visit for Rosen and Potter classes

Thurs 9th July – Reserve Sports Day

Keep in Touch

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Hot Weather

Just a reminder about what we have previously asked about making sure your children are prepared for the hotter weather during the summer term.

Please make sure that they all have a named hat to wear at school and also that they have a freshly filled water bottle every day. We are lucky that we have plenty of shaded areas on the school playground and we have been able to use these well on hotter days.

Mental Health Corner

As the summer holidays approach, many families look forward to spending more time together and taking a break from busy routines. Action for Happiness is a wonderful wellbeing charity that promotes kindness, compassion, and positive wellbeing habits that can benefit both children and adults.

Their free Jump Back Up July calendar offers simple daily activities designed to boost resilience, encourage positive thinking, and strengthen family connections. By taking part in these small, meaningful actions, families can support their mental health and wellbeing together, while making the most of the summer holidays.

Useful links:

Action for Happiness: https://actionforhappiness.org/ Jump Back Up July Calendar:

https://actionforhappiness.org/jump-back-up-july

Wishing all our families a happy, restful, and wellbeing-focused summer break!

Local Studies Week

Next week is a busy one. We have our Local Studies Week which includes trips out and about within the local area as well as work in school.

Please make sure that you have read all of the letters about any events in the week that will have been sent out via email. Thank you

Reserve Sports Day – Thursday 9th July

Thursday 9th July is our Reserve Sports Day that we had to add to the diary following the poor weather for our original date.

As before, the event is due to start after lunch so please feel free to come down to the school field around 1pm for the start. If there are any changes or further information, we will let you know as soon as possible.

Bikeability

Well done to all of the children from Morpurgo Class who took part in the Bikeability sessions last week. They did an amazing job especially as it was the week where we had some very hot weather conditions to compete with.

We hope that the skills and knowledge from the week will help to keep them safe and that they are a lot more confident in themselves when riding their bikes.

Swimming

Well done again to Dahl and Morpurgo classes for completing their swimming sessions recently, As always, they did an amazing job and represented the school brilliantly. We had comments from the staff at the pool in Plympton about how well mannered they all were during their daily visits. This is something we are always keen to hear about our St. Mary's children.

School Reports

You should have received a copy of your child's school report last week. We really appreciate your comments so please return any report comments from the slip provided with your report.

Don't forget that we also have an opportunity for you to come along to a parent drop-in if you would like to talk to your child's class teacher about anything in the report or if you would like to meet your child's new teacher. This drop-in will take place on Monday 6th July from 3.15-4.15pm.

NSPCC – Speak Out Stay Safe

The children have had some input from the NSPCC with regards to their National '**Speak Out Stay Safe'** programme which they run in many schools across the country. 'Speak out Stay safe' is a safeguarding programme that aims to equip a generation of children with the knowledge they need to stay safe from abuse and neglect.

The programme provides resources to help children aged 5 to 11 years understand:

- abuse in all its forms and how to recognise the signs of abuse
- that abuse is never a child's fault and they have the right to be safe
- where to get help and the sources of help available to them, including Childline

Replacement star badges

We've noticed how happy the children are when they proudly earn and then wear their star badges. We understand they can sometimes go missing and while there's absolutely no pressure to replace them, should you wish to, replacement badges are available for **£1.50.**

Thank you for your continued support!

Dates for the Diary

As more dates are confirmed we will let you know.

Mon 6th July	Orchard Farm visit – Rosen & Y1 KS2 trip to Crownhill Fort
Tues 7th July	Orchard Farm visit – Y2 KS2 local walk
Wed 8th July	Local author visit – Potter and Rosen
Thurs 9th July	Sports Day (2nd attempt!)
Friday 10th July	KS1 local walk
Wed 15th July	Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Online Parent Support meeting
Friday 17th July	MUFTI DAY for FOBS bottle donations
Mon 20th July – Wed 23rd July	Y6 Skern Lodge residential

Don't forget that school term dates for the rest of this year and next year, can be found on the school website, especially if you are looking to book holidays and need to know when the school is closed.

Questionnaire

We really appreciate all of your feedback about our school. Can we please ask that you follow this link to answer some questions about St. Mary's.

Thank you

https://forms.microsoft.com/e/7g30DKdSAR

And Finally…. End of term

End of term Service – Thursday 23rd July

Our end of term service at St. Mary's Church will take place on the final day of term (Thursday 23rd July) at 11.00am. As always, we would love to see you there if you can make it so that we can celebrate the end of another year at St. Mary's CofE Primary School.

End of term FOBS Event

As well as the church service on the final day, the FOBS will once again be hosting the end of term party. This is always a lovely way to end the school year as well as to say goodbye to the children in Y6 as they head off on their next adventure to secondary school.

Then event will take place after school until 5.00pm and we would love to see you there if you are able to make it.

To help the event, FOBS have requested a Mufti Day in school in return for bottle tombola donations. This Mufti Day will take place on Friday 17th July and as with other collections, members of FOBS will be on the playground in the morning before school starts to collect bottles.

Thank you for your continued support in everything that we do.

Adrian Clements

Head of School

FOBS

BRIXTON ST MARY'S

SUMMER SEND OFF

FAREWELL TO MR CLEMENTS & THE CLASS OF 2026

THURSDAY 23RD JULY

3.15–5.00pm

DRINKS ~ HOTDOGS ~ GAMES

HOUSE COLOUR RAFFLE

BOTTLE TOMBOLA

HOOK A DUCK ~ ICE CREAM

INFLATABLE ASSAULT COURSE +BOUNCY CASTLE

UNLIMITED BOUNCY FUN
£5 PER CHILD

PURCHASE YOUR BOUNCE WRISTBANDS
IN ADVANCE IN THE PLAYGROUND
FROM MONDAY 20TH JULY ~
PLEASE SEE FOBS VOLUNTEER FOR DETAILS

FUN! ZONE
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