



St Maria Goretti Newsletter

27th May 2016

Summer 4

Dear parents and carers,

Congratulations to our year 3 pupils who received Holy Communion for the first time last Sunday. It really was a wonderful celebration mass which saw the church full to capacity. My thanks to all the staff, parents and parishioners for your help in making this such a memorable occasion.

This week we had a visit from 'The Sentinel' reporter who interviewed the children and I about our work with the English Speaking Board examinations. Historically, these public examinations were mainly accessed by private independent schools. Our foundation stage children achieved excellent results and we have more pupils taking these examinations this term. These public performance and speaking skills have seen a huge improvement in our pupils' confidence and self-esteem; 30% of our children have exceeded the expected standards in early years and we are so proud of their achievements.

You will note that St Maria Goretti is now on Facebook and Twitter! A special thank you to those parents who have helped us by giving us feedback and advice. It is much appreciated.

Finally, year six have completed their SATs last week, whilst our younger children are in the process of completing national tests. There has been a lot of publicity on the media about the stress placed on children, but -rest assured - our wonderful, resilient children were calm in their approach' some even enjoyed them!

Why am I not surprised?

Have a wonderful half-term!

Mrs M Yates

Executive Headteacher



BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO YEAR 4 WHO ARE LAST WEEK'S WEEKLY ATTENDANCE WINNERS WITH 99% - FANTASTIC! WOW!



CONGRATULATIONS TO YEAR 3 FOR BEST ATTENDANCE FROM 9TH SEPTEMBER 2015 TO 20TH MAY 2016

WITH 98.3%



It is essential that you ensure your child gets to school on time.



The school doors open at 8.45 and close at 8.55

Registration is taken at 8.55am prompt

School finishes each day at 3.15pm



THE OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FIGURE IS

97.2%



Day	Date	Month	Time	Information.
Monday & Tuesday	13th & 14th	June	N/A	Year 6 – Bike-ability
Wednesday & Thursday	15th & 16th	June	N/A	Year 5 – Bike-ability
Tuesday & Wednesday	13th & 15th	June	After school	Year 4 – Bike-ability
Sunday	3rd	July	10:30am	Celebration Mass
Monday to Friday	4th	July	N/A	Stanley Head—Year 6 Residential
Monday	18th	July	6:30pm	Key Stage 2 Prize Giving—All must attend



Early Years Induction - Tuesday 14th June at 2pm

For all Foundation Stage 1 parents and parents of new children to the school.



Stay and play sessions for children starting at St Maria Goretti in September 2016 are held on Tuesdays from 3:15pm to 3:45pm. Contact the school office for more details.



Sports Day

FS1 & Key Stage 1 Thursday 9th June

Key Stage 2 Friday 10th June

DINNER MONEY

Please send any payments into school on a Monday. Dinner money is payable in advance.

FS1 = £11.25p

Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 = £11.75p



If you owe more than 2 weeks dinner money you will be contacted and asked to provide your child with a packed lunch until the arrears are cleared.