



# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

We have had a lot to celebrate this term and we are all very much looking forward to the many exciting events and celebrations to come in the summer term. First Holy Communion sessions will continue after half term and the children will also complete their First Reconciliation before the First Holy Communion celebration on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. The children in Fishermen class will once again be taking part in Forest school sessions every Wednesday and will need forest school kit in school.

The final swim session will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April where the children will be learning very important lifesaving skills, the children are required to bring in a set of PJs that can be worn in the water for this activity session. Our sports partnership with BGN continues and we will be preparing for a cricket festival for KS1 and a girl's football event.

I am thrilled to announce that the final checks are complete and St Marys will be opening our new Pre School 'Aston Angels' in September. I will be sharing the advertising materials and registration forms so please share if you can. The school will also be organising a leaflet drop through Royal Mail. The class structure will be as follows from September:

Pre School/ Reception (Fishermen Class)- this will be in the outside building

Year 1 and 2 (Farmers Class)- Main building

Year 3 and 4 (Carpenters Class)- Current Classroom

Year 5 and 6 (Shepherds Class)- Current Classroom

To ensure consistency in the Pre School/ Reception Mrs Vale and Mrs Tetto Pretti will be the adults running this class Monday- Friday. In preparation Mrs Vale will be teaching all week from our return in April. Mrs Morgan will continue her work with Carpenters on a Thursday but will as of the 19<sup>th</sup> April be teaching in Shepherds class on a Friday, Mr Causebrook will remain class teacher Monday-Thursday.

This year the children in Year 5 and 6 will be going to the Rock Centre in Wales for their residential. This will mean that there will be no residential next year as we are back to a two-year rotation due to our class mixes. We will be booking the 2026 residential this year so that parents have even longer to spread the cost. The whole school trip is looking very exciting and we are working with Coombe Abbey to plan a fantastic day of activities including GO APE for KS2. Mrs Vale is also very busy planning Science week and we have secured Atomic Tom for a day of explosive science! On the first assembly back, I will be sharing the video assembly with the children that will introduce the Olympian who will be visiting our school next term.

Thank you all for your very kind donations towards our roof fund. We will continue to fund raise next term with all proceeds from the summer event going towards it. After school clubs will be loaded up onto Parent Pay. Please note the change of day for Lego Club. I will be sending out further details of the 'bakes and makes' over the holiday period. Music invoices have been uploaded, Carpenters class will be receiving the First Access Ukulele lessons for a period of ten weeks and this will be free of charge.

Have a very Happy and Holy Easter,

**Mrs L. Concannon**

**Head Teacher**



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