

# Newsletter

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## A message from Mrs Gum

What a fantastic start to the academic year! I have been given an extremely warm welcome by the whole Saint Mary's community and it has made me feel very much at home. Saint Mary's children are delightful and the smiles and chatter they have offered me have been very much appreciated. It is clear that the children feel safe, valued and loved. One thing that has shone out is the dedication, commitment and passion of all of the Saint Mary's staff. It is clear that staff want to do their very best for your children and together we will build a stronger and better school community. I am excited for the year ahead.

Have a wonderful weekend!

### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

In line with National statutory guidance, the Governing Body have agreed that authorisation will **NOT** be given for **ANY** holidays taken in term time. Requests for authorised absence must be made using the absence request form at least 4 weeks in **advance** of the absence. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on the school website. Please ensure that your child is in school ready to learn by 8:45am each day.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 9th September – All Hallows Open Evening for Y6. 6.30pm–8.30pm

Tues 10th –Thurs 12th September  
All Hallows Open Mornings for Y6.  
9.30am – 10.30am

Fri 13th Sept – Y6 Forest School

Mon 16th Sept – Y5 Swimming

Fri 20th Sept – Y5 Forest school

### Lunch Menu

Week 2

### Forest School

13th September  
Year 6

20th September  
Year 5

27th September  
Year 4

### Attendance

Nursery 98.8%

Reception 100%

Year 1 95.7%

Year 2 89.6%

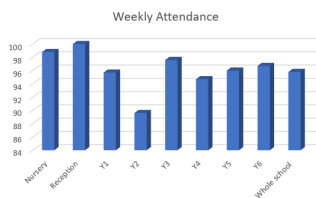
Year 3 97.6%

Year 4 94.7%

Year 5 96%

Year 6 96.7%

Whole School Attendance  
95.8%



### Star of the Week

Nursery  
Leiah

Reception  
All Reception class

Year 1  
Kavayah

Year 2  
Bodhi

Year 3  
Phatyma

Year 4  
Otis

Year 5  
Daryl

Year 6  
Elizabeth

### PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor at Saint Mary's school.

Please contact the office if you would like further information.

### SPANISH CLUB

Mrs Iyoha has started the Spanish Club again today.

Word of the week is  
EL ABANICO = FAN



### Letters and Reminders

Start of Year Letter

Clubs will be begin week beginning 16th September

Children's Liturgy will begin again on Sunday 8th September. The parish are looking for volunteers to help out.



**ClassDojo**

Don't forget to check your emails and join your child's Class Dojo.

Dojo winners of the week - Year 2

Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. Mark 7:15

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