

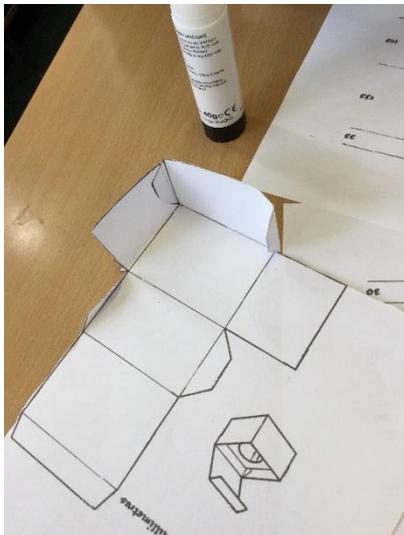
St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



20th May 2022



Year 3 have been making boxes for gas masks & in science looking at how water travels through plants



Dear Parents

We have had a busy week at St Mary's, we had our final parent lifeguard training session, thank you to everyone who attended & has volunteered to lifeguard this year to enable children to use the pool after school as well as during the school day.

It was lovely to have so many parents join us for the workshops for Reception & Year 1, thank you for coming along.

We have our Laudato Si Day today which we are very excited about, we will share photos with you in next week's newsletter.

Last Friday the children had a presentation from a representative from Mary's Meals to tell them how their donations would be spent to help feed other children. The final donations given from Lent and our non-uniform day have been passed on and our children & their families raised enough to feed 13 children for a whole year – this is truly amazing & will have a huge impact on the lives of those children.

Year 4 have continued to enjoy their Ukulele lessons this week.

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Car Boot Sale

Queen's Jubilee Week

We are looking forward to our Queen's Jubilee week next week, where the children will be learning about and celebrating the Queen. The week will finish with our Jubilee garden party, please can children come to school in party clothes on Friday 27th.

Please could you let the office know if you are intending to sell at our car boot sale on 12th June? If you could pay for your entry by next Wednesday, we can then see if we have enough sellers to make the event viable – many thanks.

Staffing Update

Congratulations to Miss Simmonds who has been appointed as a teacher at the Harbour School in Bovington. Miss Simmonds has been with us at St Mary's since 2014 as a newly qualified teacher, we are thrilled with her success and wish her the very best for the future.

We are currently recruiting for two new members of staff, I will keep you updated with any developments.

Welcoming a new family

We are delighted to be able to offer school places to two Ukrainian sisters who came to look at our school this morning & will be joining our Reception & Year 3 classes from next week. We look forward to welcoming this new family into our school family. I am sure you will make them all feel very welcome.

Upcoming Dates

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Week 23rd May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration activities during this week
Tues 24th May	All parents invited to an information session on our weekly Trick Box sessions with the children – 9.00-9.15am
Fri 27th May	Garden Party for the Queen's Jubilee – children to wear party clothes
Mon 6th June	Class photos being taken
Sun 12th June	St Mary's Car Boot Sale – 10am-12 noon on the school field
Thurs 30th June	Sports Day at St Mary's – families invited to join children at lunchtime for a picnic lunch and/or to watch the afternoon races (times to be confirmed nearer the time).
Tues 12th July	Year 3 & 4 swimming gala – pupils only event
Wed 13th July	Year 1 & 2 swimming gala – pupils only event

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Kidszone Corner

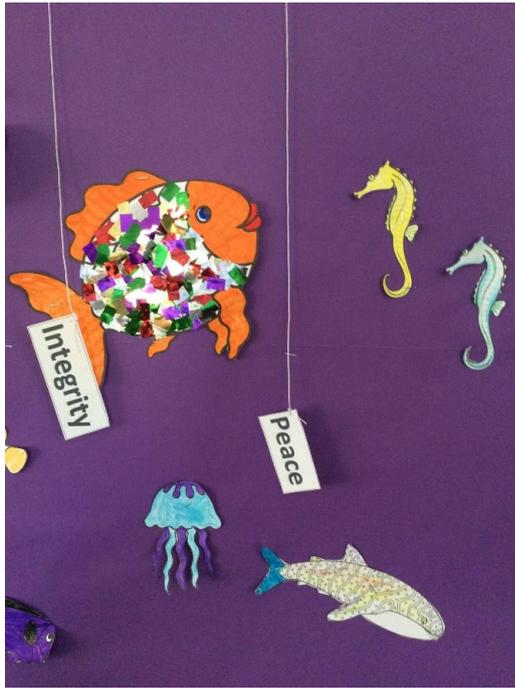
This week in Kidszone the children have been getting ready to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee - decorating bunting and making paper chains.

The children made some Fairy puppets and created their own stories together.

To extend our 'Fishing for Our Gospel Values' display some children decorated large fish using metallic shapes for the scales. They also designed their own butterflies and caterpillars to display.



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I enjoyed doing the
mini challenges
Millie



I enjoyed looking at
our caterpillars who
are getting ready to
hatch
Darcie

This week's Kids Corner comes from Reception. This is what the children have really enjoyed doing and learning this week.

We enjoyed learning
about the lifecycle of
butterflies
James P & Maisie

We enjoyed writing
this week
Arabella & Poppy R

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Best wishes for the weekend,

P. Fearn

Paula Fearn
Headteacher