

# Newsletter 11

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Dear parents and carers,

On behalf of our teachers, support staff and admin staff, I would like to say a very big thank you for your support following the publication of the OFSTED report. It has been and continues to be a very difficult time for us. Much of the inspection was based on sweeping generalisations and despite our best efforts to change this, the inspectors were very focused on making this known in the report. The Trust, governors and staff know that St Mary's is a good school, where children love learning, and they feel safe.

As we move forwards, we have addressed many of the concerns that have been written about; we have informed you of your child's progress and how well your child is doing through parents meetings. We also continue to let you know what your child will be learning each half term and ensure that this links to homework. We have made strides in ensuring children are building knowledge through deeper learning. We take on board communication between home and school and will strengthen engagement.

If you do have concerns or worries, please do not hesitate to contact me via Dojo, email or call the office. I also want to reassure you that all complaints are dealt with by myself, Mrs Shailes or the teachers. If you need any further information on the complaints procedure, please click on the link [complaints policy](#)

All that remains for me to say is have a lovely long weekend, lets hope the sun shines.

Best wishes, Mrs McDonald and Mrs Shailes

### MAY

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Bank Holiday

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Coronation Picnic 2pm

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> King Charles III Bank Holiday

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATS Week

Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Y1 Newquay Zoo

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Reception at Queen Mary Gardens

Weds 24<sup>th</sup> PTA Fair trade coffee morning

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Y2 Eden Trip

26<sup>th</sup> - Pyjama Day - donate a teddy for the teddy stall

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> First Holy Communion Service,

St Mary's Catholic Church

Half Term 29<sup>th</sup> -2<sup>nd</sup> June

### JUNE

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Inset Day

Weds 7<sup>th</sup> Y6 Cornwall Archives

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Y4 Maritime Museum

9<sup>th</sup> Mad Hair Day

Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Tempest Class photos

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Ex Day

Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Sports Day

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Rainbow Run

3.15 School Fete

### JULY

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>-Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Y6 Rock & Rapids Residential

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> School Reports out

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Graduation

Mon 24<sup>th</sup>-Tues 25<sup>th</sup> INSET DAYS

[http://www.st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk/web/term\\_dates/298666](http://www.st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk/web/term_dates/298666)



Mrs Amanda Corker

Chair of Governors

Hi, my name is Amanda

Corker and I am the newly appointed

Chair of Governors. I have 2

daughters at St. Mary's, in Y3 & Y5.

I teach English & Film Studies in a

local secondary school & I'm the

Principal Moderator and Senior

Examiner for a national exam board.

I'm delighted to be able to take on

the role of Chair; it's a real privilege

to see all the excellent work going on

in the school.

If you'd like to learn more about

what we do on the Governing Body or

if you'd like to get in touch please

email me:-

[chair@st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:chair@st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk)

"Be passionate in teaching  
your children to know and  
to follow Jesus." Pope Francis



Please come to school on Thursday 4th May wearing red, white or blue or a combination of these colours to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III . Our Coronation Picnic starting at 2pm.

Like the Platinum Jubilee celebration, the children will be given a bag, on the day of the picnic please bring it in to school filled with their picnic snacks.

Children are also invited if they wish, to make a crown at home for a crown competition. The winning Crown will be awarded a prize from the PTA.

Thank you for your continued support,



**Please remember to book your child's dinner on Parent Pay.**

**Our menu has so many choices that it really helps us save time in the mornings when dinners are all pre-booked.**



We are holding a Fairtrade Coffee morning on Wednesday 24th May. All welcome!

Please come along at 9.15am

St Mary's School  
Falmouth  
PTA  
Let's get  
fundraising!

Wednesday 24th May

9.15 Fairtrade Coffee Morning

Dress Down for PTA Rainbow School Fayre

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May-

Pyjama day - donate a teddy for the teddy stall

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June

Mad Hair Day- bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Ex Day

Children to wear different colours and bring in an item of that colour for the Rainbow Hamper Raffle

R- Red

Year 1 - Orange

Year 2 - Yellow

Year 3- Green

Year 4- black or white or a combination of the two

Year 5 - Purple

Year 6- Blue

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June -

Rainbow Run-

details to follow

PTA Rainbow Fete @ 3.15

If anyone can volunteer their help, please let the PTA or office know. Thanks.



Don't forget we are offering a free Breakfast Club place to all of our Y6's during SAT's week. Please contact the School Office to book

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



If you would like to volunteer at school with reading or helping in the library, please contact the school Office.



Our PTA are collecting for a Bags to School collection on **Wednesday 3rd May**

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

THANK YOU!

A big thanks to the PTA who raised the money through Scholastic to buy lots on new books to help us deliver the English curriculum . The curriculum is centred around diverse quality texts.

Thank you for buying books at our Book Fairs as this raises credit which we can spend on more books!

Now we get to enjoy them!!



**In Year 2, we are learning about Brazil and created masks for the Rio de Janeiro Carnival !!**

### Special Educational Needs Support

Every Thursday from 2.15-3.15 Mrs Titheridge is holding her SENCO sessions.

Parents are welcome to discuss accessing SEN support and Mrs Titheridge will be happy to answer any of your SEN questions.

To book please contact Mrs Titheridge at:-

senco@st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk

or call 01326 314540.





We hope you can come and celebrate  
 Our First Holy Communion on Sunday 28th May ,  
 10.30am  
 St Mary's Catholic Church



**8 week cricket programmes for children age 5 to 11 at Clubs across Cornwall**

**ALL STARS** Cricket gives 5 to 8 year olds their first experience of Cricket, learning new skills whilst having fun and making friends. Alongside the eight week programme each child that registers will receive a backpack, Cricket bat, Cricket ball and personalised t-shirt. Children returning to All Stars will receive a kit bag, a set of stumps, a new ball and a personalised t-shirt.

**DYNAMOS** Cricket provides the next step to those moving on from All Stars and is aimed at children aged 8 to 11 years old. The programme focuses on developing their skills and each child will receive a Dynamics Cricket New Balance t-shirt, personalised with their name and number.

Prices from £40 depending on the venue.

**FREE** spaces for children in receipt of pupil premium. email [admin@cornwallcricket.co.uk](mailto:admin@cornwallcricket.co.uk) for more information

[www.cornwallcricket.co.uk](http://www.cornwallcricket.co.uk)



Book Now  
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[www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamicscricket](http://www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamicscricket)

**Hub**

**MUSIC FOR YOUTH**

JOIN THE YOUTH CELEBRATION OF THE  
**CORONATION**  
 ON BANDSTANDS ACROSS THE COUNTRY

6-8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

TAKING PLACE AT Princess Pavilion, Falmouth

ON Saturday 6 May, 12pm to 7pm

Find out more at [www.mfy.org.uk](http://www.mfy.org.uk)

**CALM & CREATE Club**

**MAY HALF TERM WORKSHOPS**

Royal Cornwall Museum **AT THE ROYAL CORNWALL MUSEUM TRURO**

**ART WORKSHOPS**

UNIQUE ME - POSITIVE SELF PORTRAITS  
 MONDAY 29TH OF MAY 10 - 10.50AM

CREATIVE ME - COLOURFUL COLLAGES  
 WEDNESDAY 31ST OF MAY 10 - 10.50AM

MAGICAL ME - WHIMSICAL WANDS & CROWNS  
 THURSDAY 1ST OF JUNE 10 - 10.50AM

**BRICK BUILDING WORKSHOPS**

LEGO SPACE EXPLORERS  
 MONDAY 29TH OF MAY 11.10 - 12PM

LEGO NATURE ADVENTURES  
 WEDNESDAY 31ST OF MAY 11.10 - 12PM

LEGO UNDERWATER VOYAGERS  
 THURSDAY 1ST OF JUNE 11.10 - 12PM

**CALMANDCREATECLUB**

TICKETS £7 PER TICKET - FROM RECEPTION AGE 4+