

# St Mary's RC Primary

## Newsletter 13

### May Update 2016



Well done to Hannah Baker P6 and Tessa O'Hara P1 who had their posters selected in the Fringe Poster Art Competition. Well done also, to Angel James P2 who received a Special Merit for her artwork in the Tesco Art Competition with the National Gallery of Scotland. All three classes will take a trip into town to the exhibitions. Could I please appeal again to parents to volunteer where possible to help out with sports events and trips. Taking learning assistants out of class to accompany trips means that other children don't get the support that they need in their learning.

We look forward to welcoming our new P1s this week for their first Transition visit.

Please keep checking your child's book bag for letters coming home regarding school trips, transition information and sports events – there is a lot on just now!

Liz Laird – Head Teacher

**MILK MONEY** can be paid now. It will be £6.08 for the period from 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug – 14<sup>th</sup> October or £30.40 for the whole year. Last date for payment will be **17<sup>th</sup> June**. Cheques payable to "Midlothian Council".

Please also note that school uniform should be worn **EVERY day** – a number of pupils are dressed very casually on a Friday! Jeans are not school uniform. Make up and jewellery should not be worn to school either! Lots of jumpers etc are being taken off as the day warms up and many are without names – **PLEASE NAME YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL CLOTHING!**

**GYM KIT** Please make sure your child has a change of tee shirt, shorts/joggers and suitable shoes for PE in school every week. Every child at St Mary's has 2 hours of PE every week.

Well done to our P4 pupils who were Confirmed by Archbishop Leo Cushley on 19<sup>th</sup> May. They will receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

**P7 CAMP 2017** – Deposits of £50 are now due for all pupils participating in P7 Cluster Camp next year. We have again booked Lockerbie Manor. Letters have been issued via bookbags to current P6 pupils.

**SPORTS DAY** will take place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at Poltonhall Astro Pitches. We have an alternative date in case the weather is bad of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June.

**PLAYGROUND** - We have purchased new play equipment for the playground for the summer term including some rhythmic gymnastics equipment!! We will be preparing for our Carnival themed Treat Day in June!!

Can I remind parents that hard footballs/rugby balls should not be brought to school – we have had a few near misses and a few accidents in the morning before school in particular. Bikes and scooters should be placed on the racks as soon as the children have arrived in school.

Could parents please supervise their children before school starts and if you are waiting in the playground from 3pm. A number of very young children are climbing over the railings/cycle racks/basketball stands/walls at this time.

PE lessons may still be taking place after 3pm – please keep the younger children off the astro until the teacher has finished the lesson.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	P4 Swimming
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	P5 Skiing
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Nursery /P1 Transition
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	P4 First Holy Communion Mass – 11.30am Our Lady, Bonnyrigg
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	P4 Swimming
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	P5 Skiing
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Parent Council Meeting – 7.15pm
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Nursery /P1 Transition
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Sports Day –Poltonhall Astro Pitches
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Poltonhall Gala Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	P4 Swimming P7 Inter School Athletic Competition
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 High School transition
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 High School transition Nursery /P1 Transition
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Alternative Sports Day
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	P4 Swimming
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery Transition Lunch
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	P4 Swimming
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	P7 Show and Graduation – 7pm
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Prize Giving Assembly
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Gold Award Treat Day
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Final Assembly – School finishes for all pupils at 12 noon</b>

