

Dear Parents and all members of our school community,

<u>Thank you</u>

I would like to take this newsletter to say a huge thank you to all of the parents and friends of the school who came to share about their jobs recently. The children have been really inspired and it was such a valuable week.

I am also grateful to the staff who have been working very hard to make our curriculum exciting for our children. I also was exceptionally impressed with the recent home learning that the children presented to our classes. This really enhanced the children's learning and reinforced the knowledge they have gained this term. The children are beginning to improve their ability to articulate their learning to each other. Well done!

We can't quite believe that we are only one week from Half term. However, the children are clearly tired and there has been an increasing amount of illness, which seems to be common in many schools locally. Either way, I have been impressed with the ongoing effort the children make in improving their learning.

Parent Consultations

We are looking forward to hosting parent consultations soon. We have moved these to the second week after half term and these will be a mix of online and some face to face.

On Thursday 11th November we will be opening school from 3:30pm to 4:30pm to parents who may want to come into school and see their work with their children. This will allow anyone with an online appointment to come into school to look through work.

Please look out for emails about this next week.

Staff Changes – School Office

We are very pleased to welcome Leeann Wallwork and Lucy Newton in the school office. I hope you will get to know them over the next term.







Responsibility









Photos

Just to say we have now had to move our Photo day from this Wednesday to 18th November.

Drop in

Thank you to those family members who are literally 'dropping in' to drop in for cake, tea/coffee and a chat on Monday afternoons. Please pop into the family room if you want to drop by or come early to pick your child up on Mondays.

Drop-in

Come and drop-in, have a chat, eat some cake and drink some coffee. We are here to listen

Every Monday from 2-3pm term-time, beginning Monday 3 October 2022

> All parents, guardians, grandparents and carers of children of St Mary's School are welcome!

For more information, contact Lol Wood, Family Project Leader of the Churches in Lunesdale Iol@cilfamilyproject.org 07413 689311

Harvest

We will be celebrating Harvest in our Harvest Festival on Friday 21st October in worship time. We would to donate as much food as possible to the Community Cupboard. This will really help our families in need.



Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

Maths

Each year we send out year group expectations in maths. These documents support the information given out in Reports each year. IN the document, you will be able to see what a 'typical' child is expected to do by the end of the year. Some children will be require support to achieve this and some may require further challenge. You can always check out our maths website page for other year group booklets.

Importantly, you will be able to see how to do addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in your child's year group. Parents really value this when helping with home learning in maths.

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These booklets are coming out this week or early next week. We really hope you will spend time reading these and sharing these with your child. They are a great help if families get stuck when helping with home learning, hold on to them.







Open Day

Any parents with children who are starting in nursery and reception class in 2023 are invited to join the Early Years Unit from 9:30-11:30am on November 8th.

Please email or phone the school office if you wish to attend. Tel: 015242 71335 admin@stmarys-kl.cumbria.sch.uk

Open Morning For parents of children starting Nursery or Reception in Sept 2023 St. Mary's Nov 8th





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