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| St. Mary’s Primary and Pre-school Newsletter (13)**MASS**We will be all going to Mass on Thursday 18th April, at 9.30pm. Please do join us if you are able to.  **SATs**This month pupils in year six will take the key stage 2 (KS2) national curriculum tests – commonly known as SATs. Please see the timetable on the next page. These tests, alongside teacher assessment of English writing and science, are used to measure school performance and to make sure individual pupils have the support that they need as they move into secondary school. They will take place the week beginning 13th May. We will also be assessing children in year 1 for their phonics, year 2 children will also take part in optional SAT tests and children in year 4 for their timetables. We do keep things very understated in school however whilst ensuring that the children perform to the very best of their ability. Please continue to support your child/ren by listening to them read regularly, helping them with their spellings and timetables and encouraging them to eat well and to get lots of sleep and exercise. **TREE PLANTING**The children in years 1 – 3 have been invited to do some tree planting with Ada Howarth’s family on Friday, 19th April. We will leave school just after 9am and return to school for lunchtime. Please can you ensure that they come to school in warm, water-proof outdoor clothes and wellies / boots. If they can bring some shoes for when they get to school that would be helpful too.         | 15th April 2024 |
| SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENTWe come together as Saint Mary’s family, to learn, share our faith and do our best, to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.**WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL** Welcome back to school after the Easter holidays. We hope that you have all had a restful time and had the opportunity to enjoy some important family time together. We go into the Summer term ready to embrace the warmer weather (when it arrives!) We also have some very exciting news to share with you all – Mrs Tallentire has announced that she is having a baby in the Autumn. We are all very pleased for her and her family and wish them all the very best from us all. In the meantime, we are looking to cover her role in school from September and we are looking to cover her maternity leave. More news will arrive when we know who will be covering. We also welcome Mrs. Jardine back after the May half term holiday and she will in school before then preparing for her return. A group of colorful hearts |  |
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Dates for your diary……

Mass in Church – Thursday, 18th April at 9.30am

Open the Book – Chipping Churches Together – 16th and 23rd April, 7th May

Fire Service into school to talk about Road and Fire Safety – Monday, 29th April

Tempest Photography for class photos – Friday, 3rd May

Lancashire Sings at Preston Workshop (years 3/4/5/6) - Friday, 3rd May (more info to follow)

Bank Holiday Monday – 6th May

Years 1/2/3 to Barton Grange – Tuesday, 7th May

Sacramental Meeting in School at 3.30pm for children and 4.30pm for parents

Mass in Church – Thursday, 9th May at 9.30am

First Holy Communion in Church – Sunday, 12th May at 9.30am

Victorian Day in School for years 1/2/3 – Thursday, 16th May

Life Bus in School – Thursday, 23rd May

School closes for half term holiday – Friday, 24th May

And looking ahead …………

Mrs. Jardine back in school – Monday, 3rd June

Lancashire Sings at Preston, Crossgate Church for years 3/4/5/6 (more details to follow)

Reception New Starter Meeting – Monday, 10th June at 6pm

Let’s Learn Moor – Friday, 5th July for years 4/5/6

School Performance at the Village Hall of Jack and the Beanstalk – Thursday, 11th July at 1.30pm and 6pm

School close for summer holiday – Friday, 19th July

SATs timetable for year 6

Monday 13th May – English Grammar and Spelling

Tuesday 14th May – English reading test

Wednesday 15th May – Mathematics paper 1 and paper 2

Thursday 16th May – Mathematics paper 3