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| St. Mary’s Primary and Pre-school Newsletter (14) | 22nd April 2025 | |
| **WELCOME BACK**  Welcome back after the Easter holidays. We hope you have all had a peaceful time and that the children are ready to begin the summer term. We have a lot of exciting things happening as always so watch this space. We were sad to hear about the passing of Pope Francis yesterday. He was a very forward-thinking man and he will be sadly missed. He will be in our prayers at school and we pray that our next Pope is just as kind and loving as he was.    **SCHOOL NEWS**  It is with sadness that we announce that Mrs. Butcher will be retiring from school at the end of the summer term. Mrs. Butcher has been a valued member of our school team for over 20 years and will be missed by us all. We will celebrate her time at St. Mary’s later in the summer term. Mrs. Charnley will also be going on her maternity leave at the end of this half term. We will miss her also but we will send her with all our love and best wishes until she returns next year. Mrs. Tallentire will return from her maternity in the second half of the summer term and we look forward to welcoming her back. In September, she will take over from Miss Grice with years 4/5/6, Mrs. Jardine will continue with year 1/2/3 and Miss. Bennett will continue in pre-school and Reception. | | We will also sadly say goodbye to Miss Grice at the end of this summer term but we know she will continue to do great things in her teaching career and we wish her all the very best for the future.  **SUMMER ASSESSMENT**  Reception  Early years foundation stage profile assessment completed between April and June  Year 1  Phonics screening test, week beginning Monday, 9th June  Year 2  SATs (now optional but we still do them for us to have an assessment score and for the children to get used to completing this kind of task) week beginning 12th May.  Year 4  Online multiplication test, Monday 2 June up to Friday 13 June.  Year 6 SATs  Monday 12th May – English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling  Tuesday, 13th May – Reading Paper  Wednesday, 14th May – Math’s Paper 1 and 2  Thursday, 15th May – Math’s Paper 3 |
| What’s Happening? |  | |

Dates for your diary……

Pre-school and Reception Safari Fun Run Fundraiser – Wed, 23rd April

Reception swimming this half term – starting Fri 25th April

Non-uniform in return for cakes for coffee morning on Sat 26th April – Friday 25th April

Coffee morning in school organised by FOSM – Saturday, 26th April (10am – 12pm)

NSPCC workshops for all children about keeping safe online – 29th April

Open the book – Tues, 29th April

Bank Holiday Monday – 5th May

Football tournament for yrs 1 and 2 at Whitechapel - Tues, 6th May

Whole school production at the Village Hall (10.30am and 2pm) - 15th July

Year 6 SATs week – Mon 12th May until Thurs 15th May

Science Festival at UCLAN for yrs 4/5 – Thurs, 15th May

Year 6 day out for lunch with Miss Grice – Thurs, 15th May

Class photos – Mon, 19th May

Life Bus – Mon, 19th May

FOSM meeting in school – Tues, 20th May at 2pm

Fabulous Book Award at UCLAN – Wed, 21st May

Martin Mere, yrs 4/5/6 – Friday, 23rd May

Break up for half term holiday – Fri, 23rd May