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Dear Parents and Carers,

Mr M Sutton, Headteacher

Please see below our school reflection, important information and celebrations of work and achievement across the school from this week.

Year 6 Residential

Children across Y6 spent a wonderful week in Ambleside, the Lake District last week, completing a series of outdoor sessions and teambuilding activities. These included canoeing on Lake Windermere, fell walks, ghyll scrambling and orienteering. Pupils and staff had a wonderful time making the most of being together and enjoying the experiences. I would like to say a special word of thanks to all staff who gave up their time to attend the residential and make it such a memorable one. Well done to all of Year 6!



Save the Date: I would like to invite all parents of our Year 6 pupils to a special Year 6 Leavers' Liturgy and Assembly, on Thursday 18th July at 6pm. This will be a lovely opportunity to be together in partnership as pupils, staff and parents and reflect on their journey through St Margaret Mary's.

Class Photo Day

Yesterday pupils across the school had their class photograph taken. A reminder to return your purchase/order slip promptly to ensure delivery of this. Thank you.













Artsmark Gold Award Awarded by Arts Council England



Summer Fayre Ticket System

As you know our Summer Fayre is next Friday 5th July from 3.00 p.m. in the school playground. This year The Friends of St Margaret Mary's have a card machine so you will have the option to now pay by card or cash. As a result The Friends of SMM are introducing a new ticket system. Each ticket will be the equivalent value of £1. Tickets can be purchased at our new ticket stall on the day of the Summer Fayre and they will also go on sale each day next week from 3pm on the school playground. The tickets can be used on all stalls and you will also have the option to use cash. Please come along and attend this lovely opportunity to be together as a school community.

Thank you for your continued support!

The Friends of St Margaret Mary's



Sports for Champions

Last week we had the fantastic opportunity for the children to meet a famous Paralympian, James Ball. All of the children completed circuits and learnt interesting information about his life as a Paralympian. Thank you to all those who raised money through the sponsorship, as always we are very grateful for your support.



Important Changes

Ahead of the new academic year, I would like to bring to your attention two key statutory DfE changes that come into force from September. These involve the length of the school day and key national and local attendance changes that will include the recording of absence and clarification on authorised/unauthorised term-time absence. I will update you with further detail on these matters next week.



A special word of thanks for your support of our Sports Days held earlier this week. It was lovely to see how well attended these were and to see the children work together in such a supporting manner, whilst having fun. Well done to everyone involved!















For more photos please have a look at our X (formerly Twitter) account!



Well done to this week's "Stars of the Week" ...



| Reception: | Jacob W | | | |
|------------|---------|--|--|--|
| | Adam | | | |
| 1T : | Lexi | | | |
| 1/2M : | Emilia | | | |
| 2M : | Рорру | | | |
| 3S : | Alexis | | | |
| 3/4D : | Jayden | | | |
| 4C : | Malakai | | | |
| 5C : | Elliot | | | |
| 5J : | Jake K | | | |
| 6G : | Ruby | | | |
| 6W : | Amelie | | | |



NurW are this week's 'Class Attendance Winners' with an excellent attendance 100% closely followed by 2M & 1T with 99.3%!

| NurW | Nur/RecW | RecK | 1T | 1/2M | 2M |
|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 100% | 94.6% | 94.6% | 99.3 | 97.1% | 99.3% |
| 35 | 3/4D | 4C | 5C | 5J | 6G |
| 97.9% | 96.9% | 95.5% | 98.1% | 96.8% | 91.8% |
| 6W | | | | | |
| 98.2% | | | | | |

Monday 1st July – Y6 Transition to Our Lady's High School Thursday 4th July & Friday 5th July – Y6 Transition to Newman RC College Thursday 4th July – Y6 Transition to St Matthew's RC High School Friday 5th July – Summer Fayre 3pm Wednesday 24th July – School closes for Summer Wednesday 4th September – Children return to school

Dates to remember

Gospel Reflection – Jesus calms the storm

In school this week, we have reflected upon last Sunday's Gospel reading which provided an important reminder of putting our trust and faith in Jesus. In this Gospel reading, Jesus provides a glimpse of His power and majesty through His voice calming the stormy sea. Through this, we have a clear example of how Jesus can restore order where there is chaos and mend the broken. Jesus longs to bring peace to our storms. His voice can speak power and peace over any situation.

We take comfort knowing that Jesus is always with us, no matter what. This week we can invite Jesus into our lives and every situation that we face by spending time with Him and through prayer.



"Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" Mark 4:35-41

Thank-you again for your continued support. I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton