



St. Mary's C of E (VC) Primary School

Devon County Council. Children and Young People's Services

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Dear Parents

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of the school year, once again. For some it is the end of their first year in Primary education and, for our Year 6 this marks the end of a journey at St Mary's which ranges from 7 years to just a term. I would like to wish all those children who will be leaving us this term all the very best in their new schools, wherever they go to and encourage them to work hard and to chase their dreams, whatever they may be.

I would also like to wish all the very best to the members of our staff team who are leaving us at this time. To Dr Boon, who will starting his promoted role at Ilfracombe Infants in September, Miss Greenslade who will be heading to New Zealand during August and to Mr Downing, who has already started his work towards a new adventure in his life. We are also losing two teaching assistants this term. Mrs Wines, who has worked in many places across the school over more than a decade, is moving to a new job working in the Care sector and Mr Symons is moving to Hartland Primary School. In all cases these staff will be a loss to St Mary's and we wish them every success for the future.

Another staffing change for September, Mrs Bunting is stepping down from her role as Assistant Headteacher. She will remain as a teacher in Year 4. I would like to thank her for all of her hard work and support over the 5 years that she has been in this role.

Also, Jerry Hope is leaving the school after 14 years as a governor. Jerry has been a parent representative on the governing Board and has been Chair of Governors for a number of years, including when I was appointed as Head, 6 years ago. I would like to thank him for all of his hard work and support in moving the school forward over his association as a governor and wish him and his family every success for the future.

There have been a number of events this term and I would like to thank you for your support in them. Our summer concert was a huge success, this week, with our school choir, drama club and instrumentalists of many varying experience playing the keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet and even the bagpipes! We have many talented children at the school and it is wonderful to celebrate their development.

Our PFSM have raised over £2500 this term, through the Summer Fete, school discos and providing refreshments at sports day. I would like to say thank you to everyone who gave up time to support these events but especially to the committee, without whom the events would never happen.

Our Race for Life for Cancer Research was an event that the school has never undertaken on such a scale before and I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Edwards for her organisation and to you for all the efforts that you put into enabling your children to raise money for their sponsorship. Together we raised an astonishing £4600! This leaves me speechless apart from to say how proud I am of all the children.

Children across the school have also undertaken national testing and have achieved well against provisional national figures once again. I would like to congratulate the children and all of the staff for their efforts. It is this hard work, resilience and determination (as well as the way the whole school community pull together) which was noted by OfSTED when they visited in October - that seems a long time ago now! A provisional breakdown of the results is below.

It now just leaves me to say that I hope you have an enjoyable and restful summer and that the sun shines on us all. We will see you again for the first day of the Autumn Term on Wednesday 6th September 2017.

Yours sincerely
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Foundation Stage Good Level of Development Headline Data

All Pupils	77%
2016 National	69%

Year 1 Phonics

All Pupils	88%
2016 National	81%

Year 2 data summary- Teacher Assessment

	Reading	Writing	Maths
All Pupils	72%	70%	72%
2016 National	73%	73%	73%

Year 6 data summary

	Reading	Writing	Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar	Maths	Combined
Total / 60	43	47	45	47	36
All Pupils	72%	78%	75%	78%	60%
Pupil Premium (13 children)	77%	77%	69%	92%	69%
2017 Provisional National	71%	76%	77%	75%	61%

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