St Mary's Church of England Primary School Newsletter No. 7 22nd October 2015



Dear Parents, Guardians and Parishioners

Kendal - Comic Arts

Year 1 have been taking part in Kendal Comic Arts Festival and have been creating their own superheroes as part of their work on Superheroes this half term. I am really pleased to announce that our school's work won best window! I hope the children feel very proud of their work and that they felt part of something very special.

Thank you to Mrs Day for taking time to participate in this event.



Book Week

We are very excited to host book week straight after half term with the theme of 'Mini Worlds'. As a parent myself I am aware of the many expectations made by school; please be aware that whilst we would love you to support the Scholastic Book Fair during the week, there is no pressure to do so. We would love children to throw themselves into the week and enjoy each day. We have made an error in that the letter emailed yesterday said the dress up day was Friday. This clashes with individual Photos on Friday and dress up day is Thursday of that week, apologies.

Correction: Dress Up Day – is Thursday 5th Nov **not** Friday 6th Nov

Children In Need Day - November 13th

We are aware of the many charities we have supported recently and the excitement of Book Week. As a result we will be having a normal day on this day, in uniform.

Attendance

Last week's attendance was

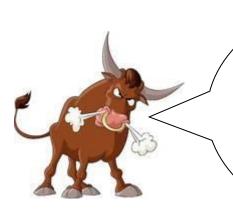
R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
100%	97%	99%	93%	96%	98%	98%

We are aiming for <u>97%</u> across the whole school by the end of this year. We are currently at <u>96.9%</u>.

Congratulations

Congratulations go to Esmee who took part in the North West Area Judo competition held at St Helens near Liverpool. Esmee got Silver in her category. Very well done an impressive achievement!





bejewelled

 wearing a lot of jewellery or decorated in precious stones

The Queen walked gracefully through the banqueting hall, **bejewelled** and looking very elegant.

Safety Talk

During our assembly time today our local PCSOs will be joining us to discuss safety issues with Y1-6 as we draw close to half term and Bonfire Night. It would be helpful if you could ask about this and reinforce the safety messages discussed.

Individual School Photographs – 6th November

All children in school on Friday 6th November will have their photograph taken. Where you have more than one child in school we will ensure that they are also photographed as a family group or pair. The proofs will then be sent home with your child along with instructions on how to order. The Tempest photographer will be in school from 8.15am to take photos of the children with pre-school siblings, if parents would like them to have a joint photograph. Parents of children in Nursery who would not normally attend on a Friday are welcome to come in during the first half of the morning. Unfortunately, due to the time constraints we will not be able to include older siblings from QES (or elsewhere!).

Christmas Craft Club

There are still a few places left in this club starting on the 3rd November. It is limited to children in years 2, 3 & 4 only. If you would like your child to participate please contact Mrs Lyall in the school office.

Half Term information

St Marys will be open this Friday 23rd October and Monday 2nd November as usual, with KS1 finishing at 3.10pm and KS2 at 3.15pm. This should not be confused with any other holiday periods being advertised by other schools.

Advance Diary Dates

4th December - PTA Christmas Fair

16th December – KS1 Christmas Party

17th December – KS2 Christmas Party

18th December – School closes for Christmas Holiday at 1.30pm

I hope you have a wonderful half term break and I look forward to seeing you all back at school, full of energy and enthusiasm, on the 2nd November.