St Mary's Church of England Primary School Newsletter No. 18 21st January 2016



Dear Parents, Guardians and Parishioners

REMINDER (1) – **WACKY HAIR DAY** – **FRIDAY** . Style your hair in any whacky way you like! The "fine" is £1 and all funds go to our PTA. Children should still come to school in their uniform.

REMINDER (2) – **Inter House Cross Country** on FRIDAY for Junior (KS2) pupils. Please bring waterproofs and appropriate footwear and running kit. Sorry if your wacky hair gets slightly blown about!

Visitors

We will be welcoming Tim Farron and Arthur Capstick MBE to school tomorrow for Q and A sessions with our KS2 pupils in the afternoon. Please prepare questions to ask our visitors!

New Books

We have had a good start to our week with the arrival of our new reading books. I am sure the children will be itching to get into the new boxes of books.

RADIO 2 500 words writing competition.

Hopefully you will have seen that we have sent a separate letter to encourage our children to enter this exciting writing competition!

Congratulations to:

George Ireland who was awarded his Green Blue Peter badge last week. Congratulations also to Henry Coates who received his Grade 4 in Violin recently – a great achievement!!

I have been very impressed with the amount of children who have received GOLD, SILVER and Bronze awards for reading recently – very well done. We look forward to awarding our children with times-tables awards very soon!

Volunteers

I just wanted to thank our various volunteers who have been able to help within school. The support is greatly appreciated and has a significant impact on our children. Whether it is reading with children, supporting groups, helping out or coming to speak to the children, all of these activities enrich our children's education. Thank you once again!!

Packed Lunches

I have noticed lately that a number of children are being sent to school with lunches that contain sweets and chocolate bars. For a number of years St Mary's has had a school policy which supports the Governments Healthy Eating standards, and which states that sweets, chocolate bars and fizzy drinks are not suitable items for a packed lunch in school. I would therefore ask that these items be replaced with healthy alternatives such as fruit or yoghurt.

Future Dates:

Friday 22nd Jan – Tim Farron and Arthur Capstick MBE visiting juniors
Friday 22nd Jan – Junior Inter House Cross Country (am)
Thursday 28th Jan – Inter School Swimming Competition – Sedbergh Prep
Monday 1st Feb - Project Day
Tuesday 2nd Feb - Houses of Parliament outreach visit (Year 5/6)
Wednesday 3rd Feb – County Cross Country
Tuesday 9th Feb – Y2 Airport Visit
Wednesday Feb 10th – Inter School – Hockey
Wednesday 10th Feb – Reception Visit – Judges Lodgings

Family Talk Time: Word of the Week

kerflooey

to stop working suddenly

As soon as the storm hit, every light in town

went kerflooey. (an adverb)

Suduko Challenge:

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