



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to those who were able to attend the class meetings this week which I hope helped you understand the year ahead.



**European Languages Day**

Each year we celebrate European Languages Day and this year we will be celebrating this on **WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**. On this day each class will be discovering about a different country. Children are asked to dress up in the colours of that country throughout the day. This is a chance for children to bring in facts they know about that country and discover the foods and culture.

The Classes have each chosen a specific country:

Nursery/Reception	Germany
Year 1	Spain
Year 2	Scotland
Year 3	France
Year 4	Sweden
Year 5	Switzerland
Year 6	The Netherlands

**Reception Class**

A warm welcome to all of our Reception children who have all now joined us in school. They have all come in enthusiastically and have thrown themselves into the first weeks of school. Well Done!

**New Children**



I would like to welcome all of our families who have joined us this academic year. It is lovely to see so many children and I hope they have settled into school. Please do keep in touch if there is anything our staff can help with to ensure a positive transition.

### Permissions and Data

Please can you make sure we have all the permission slips back into school, which helps us be clear about the use of photos on websites, newsletters etc.. The data sheets are also very important so we have up to date information in an emergency. Please do keep us up to date if you change your phone or your information changes in any way.

### Baked Beans

I have never written a newsletter entitled baked beans before, but here we go.... If your child receives a jacket potato next week, we will be trialling baked beans instead of tuna next week. Cheese with jacket potatoes will continue to be available.

### Congratulations to:

Charlie Barry who has received a Blue Peter badge for introducing a friend to a sport. At St Mary's we try to encourage all of our children to write in to Blue Peter and apply for a badge!



### VIPs

If your child is a VIP they will be given a yellow polo top. We have just purchased new ones for this year! You are invited to join us on the Friday on that week at 9:00am in our assembly to hear your child's certificate being read out. Could we also ask that you wash the top and return it on the following Monday so we can pass this on to another child. Many thanks.

### Word of the Week:

Can you fit this great word into a sentence or two this week? It would be great if our children used it in conversation or their writing this week.



dabster

slang word: an expert



### Choir

We will be running a choir on **Thursdays** after school from 3:15-4:15pm for any KS2 (junior) children. We are hoping boys and girls will join us with the intention of performing at the end of term concerts and events. Mrs Moorby will be running the choir which should be a great opportunity to get involved in singing with others. If children would like to take part we have permission slips at the school office. This group will initially run for this term.

**Notice: DRESS UP (MUFTY DAY)**

Book week begins on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The theme for the week will be Roald Dahl characters. We will be having a dress up day in the week so start thinking of your character!



One of the many challenges in this area is car parking. Importantly however could I make a polite request to be sensitive to the residents of Harling Bank. This week some of our parents arriving in cars have been parking on Harling bank which is a private road. The cars have been blocking the way. Whilst this is for a short period of time, it is very upsetting for those residents who are unable to access their road and/or if they are blocking entrances to driveways. Please be sensitive to this! Thank you.

**PTA FILM NIGHT**

Please remember that film night is taking place on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. The Annual General Meeting is at 6:30pm – please get in touch [pta@stmarys-kl.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:pta@stmarys-kl.cumbria.sch.uk) or Matt Kerslake 07879 589623 or Ewan Day 07913 799208.

Film Night times:           **Infants (including Reception Class):**  
  **Straight after school until 5:30pm - Madagascar 3**  
  **Juniors: Starting at 6:00pm until 8:00pm– Jungle Book**

KS1 booking forms for infants have already been sent out, please return forms by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones