



# St Mary's R.C. Primary School, Meadowside Newsletter

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**Date: Friday 19 January 2018**

**Dear Parent/Carers,**

Thank you for the warmth of your welcome at St. Mary's. I am delighted to be able to support the school in its transition phase and want to assure you of my wholehearted dedication and commitment during the time that I'm in post.

I am also delighted that Key Stage 2 children will have the opportunity to attend year group Masses which they will plan and prepare. These Masses will be held in the **school hall at 9.30am** and parents/carers of the relevant year groups are very welcome to attend.

**Please do join us in worship if you can – we'd love to see you!**

- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018      Y6
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018        Y3
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018    Y5
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2018      Y4

## TENNIS COACHING

On **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018**, Y3 and Y4 children will be involved in tennis coaching. We ask that children wear their P.E. kits. Thank you

## PTA MEETING

There is a PTA meeting on **Monday 22 January 2018** at **6pm**.

Everyone is welcome to attend and we welcome any new members wishing to join the PTA.

## NSPCC

*UNCRC Article 19 – Every child should be protected from all forms of neglect and abuse.*

This week, the NSPCC came in to school to talk to all the children from Y1-Y6.

Children in Y5 and Y6 also participated in workshops

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Year 4 children who made their Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, 17 January 2018.

The children were overjoyed to receive a letter of praise from one of our parishioners.

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## School Crossing Patrols required!



From Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018, we will not have a School Crossing Patrol at the junction of Queen Alexandra Road and Meadowside as Mrs Dunn is leaving this role.

We have contacted the Road Safety Team at the Civic Centre for a replacement however due to a shortage of School Crossing Patrols across the City, they are unable to provide cover until they are able to recruit a suitable replacement for Mrs Dunn which may take some time due to the necessary recruitment process.

In the meantime, please be extra careful and vigilant when driving or crossing the roads, particularly around school at peak times and particularly in the absence of our School Crossing Patrol.

St. Mary's will not be directly involved in the recruitment of Mrs Dunn's replacement therefore any enquiries should be directed to Sunderland City Council Road Safety team on 0191 5611524 or 0191 5611525. After speaking to Anthony Bell, Road Safety Co-ordinator at Sunderland City Council, if anyone is interested in applying to be a School Crossing Patrol, the Road Safety Team would definitely like to hear from you as soon as possible!

There is an open advert on the Jobs North East website for School Crossing Patrols in Sunderland. Please visit [www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School\\_Crossing\\_Patrol/162137](http://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School_Crossing_Patrol/162137) if you would like more details or you can contact Hazel Walton on (0191) 5611525, email [hazel.walton@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:hazel.walton@sunderland.gov.uk) or Anthony Bell on (0191) 5621524, email: [anthony.bell@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:anthony.bell@sunderland.gov.uk) for further information. You can download the information pack or alternatively 'ask recruitment' for an application pack on 0191 520555.

Although it has only been for a very short time we thank Mrs Dunn for being our School Crossing Patrol – you have made a big difference in ensuring the safety of children (and adults) of St. Mary's and we hope that our new School Crossing Patrol, when appointed, will be as helpful!

### ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS

Consultation on Admission Arrangements for St Mary's RC Primary School 2019/20.

Where changes to admission arrangements are intended, all schools are required to consult before these are determined and published.

The policy for consultation for 2019/20 is available at [www.smrc.school](http://www.smrc.school) - Our School/Policies or call at the school office for a copy.

The consultation will run from Monday 4 December 2017 – Monday 22 January 2018.

A consultation response form is available by request from the school.

The governing body will consider all comments received before they determine the arrangements for 2019/20

### SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

**St Mary's RC Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We politely request that all parents, carers, contractors and visitors to school respect our safeguarding culture of vigilance.**

**Please help us to keep our school community safe and support school in reporting any concerns and/or inappropriate behaviour or actions through the appropriate channels.**



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