# NEWSLETTER

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The newsletter is distributed every Friday. It contains information that parents need to know about events, activities, fundraising etc.

Please read your newsletter



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**Next Week school bus stop needed on:** Friday 22 September 2017

Yr 5 swimming returning approx. 3pm

#### **MASS OF WELCOME**

Next Thursday, 21 September, Father Wilson will visit school to celebrate the first Mass of the new school year. As always you are welcome to join us in the school hall at 10am for this lovely, spiritual start to the year.

#### SUPERHEROES WOW DAY

Just a quick reminder for parents in Reception, Year I and Year 2 about our WOW day on Tuesday 19 September. We would like the

children to dress in superhero costumes for the day. It can be a familiar one or one of your own making, for example, unicorn bot or dinosaur girl etc. The children will be partaking in some messy learning activities (aprons will be worn but they may get a little dirty) so please consider this when choosing an outfit.

Please also ensure that suitable footwear is worn to enable them to play games both indoor and outdoors.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.



Thank you for your help.

#### **REQUEST**

Year 1 have made a request for rocks/stones to paint. These should be no smaller than 5cm long, no bigger than 10cm long. If you have any the children could have please bring them into school by next Tuesday, thank you.

#### **CERTIFICATES**

This week we had our first certificates assembly. Congratulations to all those who were awarded 'Strong on the Inside' certificates. Staff award these as part of our Growth Mindset initiative, encouraging children to keep trying with life's challenges, whether these are social, emotional or academic. Things are often hard but if we keep trying we will succeed.

Over the year, if your child collects 4, 8, 12,16 etc. certificates, they can bring them back to school and get a letter of congratulations. This is accompanied by a special certificate if they get 8 certificates, a gift token for 12 and a trophy for 16 certificates. Last year there was some confusion as to which certificates count for this award. There are many certificates given in class for spellings, SMIRF's, reading etc. These do not count for this award, they must be certificates presented in the hall. I hope this helps clarify our system.

#### **WELCOME ASSEMBLY**

On Friday 29 September at 9am we will be celebrating our Welcome Assembly for the children in Reception. It is a lovely occasion where the Year 6 buddies 'introduce' the children to the rest of the school and welcome them into the St Mary's family. Parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles etc. of Reception and Year 6 children are welcome to attend.



DIARY DATES	
29 SEPT 2017	Welcome Assembly @ 9am
2 OCT 2017	Year 6 Trip to Winmarleigh (5 days)
14 OCT 2017	Harvest Mass - St Mary's Church, Selby @ 6pm
18 OCT 2017	Parents Open Lesson Morning 9am
20 OCT 2017	School Closes for Half Term

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This week's certificates go to

Year 1 - Christian, Julia & Bella Year 2 - Megan, Dominik & Mia s Year 3 - Molly, Tom & Isabelle Year 4 - Elisha, Changel & Noah Year 5 - Eleanor, Tylor D & Ashley Year 6 - Melody, Abigail & Jake

#### **SICKNESS**

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If your child is absent from school due to illness please inform the school office before 10am. Failure to do so will result in the absence being classed as unauthorised.

If your child suffers with sickness and/or diarrhoea, please make sure that you child stays at home for 48 hours after the last bout of sickness to make sure the illness has passed.

Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **ATTENDANCE** AWARD

This week's best attendance award goes to:

St Andrew's Class (Year 3)

Well Done

### SCHOOL **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Tempest Photography will be in school on Tuesday, 26 September, to take individual and family portraits for pupils in Reception through to Year 6. If you would like younger siblings to be included on photographs with brothers and/or sisters school will be open from 8.30am. Pupils will then have their picture taken individually with their class later that

# **PARKING**

morning.

We realise that parking around school is now difficult but once again it is causing concern. It appears cars are being parked blocking both the pavement and road around the layby on Baffam Lane and junctions around Parkways. Please think about how and where you are parking and be considerate to others. The roads around school are very busy and we want everyone to arrive and leave safely.

#### **DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Diary dates for the year will soon be published. This gives dates for as many key events in the school year as possible. Dates are also put on the weekly newsletter as events approach so please make a note of those that apply to your family. A list of up coming events is shown above.