Dear Parents and Carers

Well, by the time of you reading this newsletter, another round of SATs will be well underway for our Year 6 pupils. I have been impressed so far with their positive attitude towards them, and we know that they have been very well-prepared. All they need to do is relax, concentrate and give their best - that’s all we can ask of them!

Thank you to the 94 parents who completed and returned this year’s parent questionnaire before the Easter break. The feedback has been very positive indeed, with some useful pointers to what we need to think about to improve provision further. You’ll be glad to know that much of what is on your wish lists is on ours, too!

My child enjoys coming to school: 96% positive
My child feels that he/she is making good progress with their learning: 96% positive
My child knows who to talk to at school if they feel unhappy or unsafe: 95% positive

Your responses to the questions about religious provision were also overwhelmingly positive.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to give us your feedback. Your comments will be taken into consideration when we are planning for the new school year.

Attached, you will find a consultation document with a proposal that we feel will help to improve provision at St. Mary’s even further. Please take the time to read it through and let us have your comments at the earliest opportunity.

Gary Linford (Head Teacher)

Dainty Little Hands After School Club

£6.00 per child per session until 5:30 p.m. or £3.00 per hour.

To book places, please contact Aimee on 01922 219038 or 07850 796 213

May Procession

Friday 24th May from 1:45 p.m.
Please do come along to join in with this celebration on the Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians.
Please come to the school hall ready to depart for Church at 1:45 p.m.

MUFTI DAY: Friday 17th May
All children are asked to bring £1 each with them in return for being able to wear their own clothes for the day. These monies will be used to buy flowers to create displays and posies for the May Procession.

Children’s Liturgy dates:
12th & 19th May
9th & 23rd June
7th July
Sunday Mass at 10:00 a.m.

“Our community, growing and learning together with Christ”
Dates for your diary.........

Friday 17th May
Mufti Day (£1.00 per child)

Sunday 19th May at 10:00 a.m.
Family Mass

Friday 24th May — 1:45 p.m.
May Procession (to Church)

Half-term Holiday
27th May to 31st May

Y1 Phonics Screening Check:
Monday 10th to Friday 21st June
(good attendance & punctuality is essential)

World Faith Assembly
Friday 14th June, 9:00 a.m.

First Holy Communion Mass
Saturday 15th June, 12:00 noon

Sunday 16th June at 10:00 a.m.
Family Mass

Music Share Festival at
Lichfield Cathedral (Year 4)
Tuesday 18th June (evening)

OREMUS Prayer Services
Fridays 9:00 a.m. start
Years 3 & 4: 21st June
Years 1 & 2: 28th June
Years 5 & 6: 12th July

Monday 22nd July:
School is closed for a Staff INSET Day.

COFFEE MORNING: Friday 24th May
Starting at 9:00 a.m. in the School Hall

We are on the look out for a willing band of volunteers who can get together on the morning of Friday 24th May over a cup of coffee (other refreshments will be available) - to arrange the flowers for the presentations to Our Lady later in the afternoon.

If you have any skills in floristry - or even if you just enjoy arranging flowers when you have them at home - please contact Mrs. Pritchard to let her know that you’ll be there, either in person or by emailing her at: amy.pritchard@st-marys.sandwell.sch.uk

This coming Sunday - 19th May
10:00 a.m. - St. Mary’s Church
All are welcome - do come along to get to know everybody!