

APRIL WINS:

- I have now received our draft OFSETD report- hopefully this will be published within the next month to allow you all to read it. I will share a link to the website as soon as it goes live.
- All of our children have thoroughly enjoyed their Forest School sessions with Becky. The last session of the academic year is booked in for each class in June.
- PTA are hard at work organising our school summer fayre- this promises to be a fantastic event and we hope to see you all there!
- Children continue to work hard towards meeting their personal goals and are frequently visiting my office to show me things they are very proud of.
- The 'ROAM' building workshop that took place on Friday 24th April was amazing- the children enjoyed team building activities and working at height. I am already looking at future planning to see when we can invite them back for another workshop.

MAY GOALS:

- We know our Year 6 children will do us proud as they sit their KS2 SATs w/b 11th May.
- To enjoy some precious family time during our bonus INSET day on 7th May and bank holiday Monday on Monday 4th May.

ATTENDANCE

The summer term can be a tough one for attendance as people begin to consider term time holidays. Please can I remind all families that school will refer to Dudley and a fine will be issued if the threshold of 10 sessions (5 days) is met.

We do however appreciate that families are completing forms from the office if they are going away as this prevents staff from spending valuable time trying to locate children who are not at school.

WORSHIP

During Summer 1, our worship focus is *Cultural Capital*. In John 10:10, Jesus says, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full," showing that God desires a life rich in hope, purpose, peace, and joy for all of us. This half term, children will explore how music, art, sport, cultural celebrations, and language can enrich their lives and help them make meaningful spiritual connections with the world around them.



DIARY DATES

- 4.5.26- Bank holiday, school closed
- 7.5.26- SCHOOL CLOSED- Polling Day
- 11th-14th May- Year 6 SATs
- 18.5.26- KS2 Visit to Selly Manor
- 20.5.26 3:15- Year 1 phonics parent meeting
- 21.5.26- Year 4 multiplication check parents meeting
- 21.5.26- KS1 visit to Little Owl Farm
- 22.5.26- Break up for half term

CONTACTING SCHOOL

If you would like to request an appointment with the SENDCO (Miss Grant) or another member of SLT or for general enquiries, please contact the school office:

Phone Number: 01384818295

Email: info@st-mary-ki.dudley.sch.uk

You can also use Class Dojo Messaging to contact SLT and your child's teacher.

SAFEGUARDING

At St Mary's we appreciate that safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. If you have any concerns about a child, please do not hesitate to contact us using the details shared opposite. Our Safeguarding and child protection policy can be found on our school website.

HOUSE CAPTAINS' PUPIL VOICE- What makes our children feel spiritual?



**FIRE by
Munha and
Romeo**

A lot of children understood spirituality. They said they feel connected within their lessons, particularly Art and Science. Others said that they find reading to be a special time where they can reflect spiritually.



**WATER by
Sam and
Esme**

Spirituality means a lot at our school. We feel alive and connected to things like art, music, family, toys, history and reading. We also feel connected to our friends. We love to learn about religions and different cultures; this too helps us to feel connected to the world and each other.



**EARTH
by Evie
and
McCauley**

At St Mary's spirituality means that we can connect with others, we also think it helps us to be ourselves. We feel very connected by various subjects such as Music, Art, Geography, sports and Science. A wide variety of subjects here at St Mary's help us to become better people. Learning about the beliefs of others helps us to understand each other.



**AIR by
Lillie and
Freya**

In Air we feel connected when we are surrounded by friends. We also feel connected within PE, Art, DT and Reading. To us spirituality is when we feel a connection to the things we enjoy doing.

