



# Academy News

St Mary Queen of Martyrs VC Academy takes seriously its responsibility to safeguarding all children and adults and has a rigorous procedure in place to do so. The Academy does not tolerate bullying and deals with all forms very seriously

## Message from the Headteacher

As you may already know the Sion Mission team will be visiting our school on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May and Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May. They will be taking Key Stage assemblies, organising prayer groups and supporting the spirituality of our school in a child-friendly way. To extend their welcome to you, they will be handing out cups of tea/coffee to parents when you drop your children off in the morning.

They will be presenting a short final assembly on Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 2.20pm to which you are all invited to attend. It will be a wonderful start to our 'Be Spirited' week.

Year Group	Attendance		Lates
	Last week %	Since Sept %	Last week
F2	96.8	93.8	4
Year 1	97.5	96	2
Year 2	97.4	96.8	None
Year 3	95.6	97.2	None
Year 4	98.5	97.2	None
Year 5	97.2	96.7	1
Year 6	97.3	96	2
<b>School</b>	<b>97.2</b>	<b>96.3</b>	<b>9</b>

**May**  
16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Sion Mission in school as part of 'Be Spirited' week  
18<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm Stay & Play F1  
23<sup>rd</sup> May: SATs tests—Year 2  
26<sup>th</sup> Whole school mass  
26<sup>th</sup> Phase 1 parents invited to school to make vehicles  
28<sup>th</sup> F2 Curriculum afternoon  
Mid- term holiday

**June**  
June 6<sup>th</sup> Return to school  
9<sup>th</sup> Whole school mass  
13<sup>th</sup> Year 4 swimming starts  
15<sup>th</sup> Kingswood Trip—Year 6  
17<sup>th</sup> Year 6 pupils return from Kingswood  
20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Year 6 Bike ability training



Home Reading			
SR	85%	NR	63%
TJ	70%	JG	61%
HR	19%	TS	87%
AB/CR	39%	LT	41%
JH	90%	JD/SB	68%
ME	19%		

## School Council Report

Our weekly meetings have been very productive this term and we all enjoy giving our ideas on how we can all help improve things around school. We are currently making a power point and decorations for our up and coming Australian BBQ themed lunch on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May. We have just put a new timetable together for looking after the Phase 1 children at lunchtime. We help to guide them out to play and encourage them to be kind and thoughtful to each other.

We are a good team!



They know who we are as we wear high visibility vests.  
We all got new badges last week which we are wearing with pride.



## Foundation Stage

The F2 children have been very busy this week making Three Little Pigs houses with Lego and writing about their designs. They have made some beautiful snake patterns in maths using shapes and colours. They enjoyed investigating different types of materials that the Wolf could not blow down. The best bit was using a hairdryer to test how strong they were!

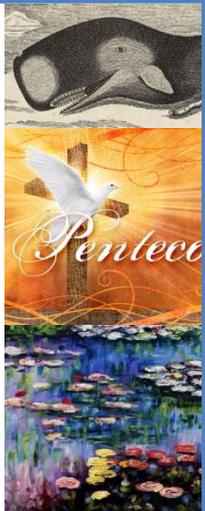
The F1 children have been very busy this week making crowns and some have been trying really hard to write their name. They have been becoming familiar with Biff and Chip books and learning all about families.

We have had so many children will full sticker charts this week that we are worried about a sticker shortage! Thank goodness Twinkle the fairy has been stocking up our prize box for our well-behaved children!

## Phase 1

This week the children in Years 1 and 2 have been on their school trip to the Streetlife museum in Hull. This was linked to our topic of 'Transport' and they had a great time! The pupils looked at all different types of transport through the ages including stage coaches, trams, buses, steam trains and cars. They all had a go in a simulated Stage Coach and it was very bumpy! Beth, the museum tour guide, gave lots of helpful information and let the pupils sit in a 1950's bus! Look out for the blog on our website [www.stmarygom.co.uk](http://www.stmarygom.co.uk)

Habitats have been the focus of our Science lessons and the children have been learning about urban, rural and pond habitats. They used these as a stimuli for improving their drawing and painting skills. In maths we have been learning about fractions and problem solving. Year 2 have been writing letters to the children in our twinned school in Sierra Leone and we can't wait for their replies!



## Phase 2

In Phase 2 this week we have been comparing historical sources to learn about the whaling industry in Hull. We have been using Prezi to present key facts about the history of Hull and this has been very enjoyable for the pupils! Don't forget - our home school project is based on our 'Roots and Routes' topic. What are your roots?

During our Science lessons we have begun to create our very own games that measure force, demonstrating our deeper knowledge of the subject!

In R.E. we are coming to the end of our study of Pentecost and next week we will begin our study of Islam which will be very interesting! In Art we are continuing to study Monet and will be moving out doors to experience painting in a setting!



Reminder!

School Sports Day - July  
8<sup>th</sup> am & pm

Foundation Stage Sports  
Day- 15<sup>th</sup> July - am

Summer Fair - 22<sup>nd</sup> July

## Phase 3

Phase 3 enjoyed very interesting visits to the mosque this week. Imam Salik made everyone very welcome and complemented us on our excellent behavior and thoughtful questions.

Year 5 have been working hard to complete their long writing task about dragons - the teachers have been very impressed with the quality of the writing.

Well done also to Year 6. You have made us proud this week with the way you have applied yourselves to the different tests. Auditions are now under way for the end of term show!

Next week the Sion mission team is visiting our school as part of the citywide mission. Year 5 and 6 will be playing a big part in the liturgies.

