



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

Note from the Headteacher

We have been delighted with the contributions to support the 'Digital Literacy' in Sierra Leone. Please keep contributing by sending in your working digital items that you no longer need. Thank you also for your contributions towards the non-uniform day. The money raised will go to our twinned school to support with buying the basics.

Ofsted: We are awaiting the call from Ofsted, please support us by logging on to 'Parent View' and registering your views on our school.

Attendance: Please try to ensure your child attends school every day because every day builds on the learning of the previous day! Congratulations to Mrs Broadhead's class who visited the ice cream parlour on Friday.

Yr 6 SATs meeting: We were delighted with the amount of parents who turned up to learn more about the Year 6 SATs revision. We are now arranging another session so all parents receive the informative talk.

Twitter: We would like to remind you that you can keep up to date with everything that is going on in school by following @stmaryqom on twitter.

Children: Have fun with posting information on the Digitull but remember to get an adult to check your posting first.

This Weeks Attendance

Overall attendance is very low at:

93.43%

Classes with NO lates:

Mr Evans, Mr Guthrie & Mrs Allen

Class attending the ice-cream parlour this week is:

Mrs Broadhead's

Please ensure you phone the school office on the morning of your child's absence.

Home Reading			
SR	81%	NR	70%
JC	74%	JG	45%
HR	52%	DL	71%
AB/MO	55%	LA	66%
JH	88%	SB	77%
ME	47%		

January

30th Phase 1 Library visit

31st Phase 1 Library visit

February

1st Stay and Read at 2.30pm (Miss Read's class)

7th Safer Internet Day
Puppet Show, Mr Luscombe's class

8th Tea & Trawler at 1.15pm-Phase 2
Stay & Read at 2.30pm - Miss Clarke's class.

9th Castle making (all day) - Phase 1

10th Miss Richert's class Assembly

March

1st Ash Wednesday

2nd World Book Day

Save the Date!

Foundation

This week has been really exciting. We have had our first Stay and Read for FS2 children and parents. FS1 had a lovely day on Wednesday when they had their Stay and Play. This was based around mark making. A variety of resources were used to enable children to mark make. It was very well attended and parents and children had lots of fun. Thank you to those parents who attended. We have all celebrated 'The Chinese New Year'. We have been tasting food, making dragons, lanterns and a giant dragon.



Phase 1



In our Science lessons, we have had a great time testing our senses! We had to listen to different noises to detect a squeaky sound. We had great fun using different musical instruments! We had to use our sense of sight to measure accurately and use our sense of touch when testing a variety of materials in feely bags. We had to find the material that felt soft and furry. Last week we tested our sense of taste by tasting different foods whilst

blindfolded! We had to identify the food by using only our sense of taste. We also tested our sense of smell by smelling different aromas such as coconut, cinnamon, garlic, mint and perfume! In PE we have been learning how to balance by walking in a straight line. It is harder than it looks! Please note that our library visits are on Monday and Tuesday next week. Please remember to send a water proof coat with your child in case of rain and make sure your child is wearing sensible footwear as we are walking there and back. Your child will be permitted to borrow two books on the day if you completed the library ticket form and returned it to school. Please note that it is your responsibility to return the library books to Bransholme library when your child has finished with the books. Finally, don't forget to save any cardboard for making castles during our parent and child afternoon that is coming up on **9th February at 1:15pm.**



Phase 2

In Phase 2 this week we have been very busy with our Triple Trawler Disaster project! We have been creating our very own trawlers using clay and designing them based on our research. Well done to those who have already created their own trawler at home for their home-school project - they're looking fantastic! In ICT we have been applying our knowledge from our study of Sound and gathering data to use with the Excel program. We have also been very excitedly using Digitull to share our work and achievements both in school and at home! Well done to all of our pupils who completed their Science homework - it was wonderful to see so many experiments that had been conducted at home!



On a separate note, Mr Guthrie and I would like to thank all parents and pupils who have made donations towards our Digital Literacy project for Empowering Children School in Sierra Leone. We know how valuable these things are and can't wait to introduce the staff and pupils to their new equipment to enhance their learning environment. You will see the evidence yourselves!

Phase 3

This week has seen the launch of Digitull within the school. It has been great to see so many children from Phase 3 producing and uploading such fabulous content! This week's homework for every child is to complete one of the City of Culture challenges on Digitull. Also this week, our Year 6 pupils have taken part in IMPS (Injury Minimization Programme for Schools). On Monday and Tuesday morning they visited Hull Royal Infirmary and enjoyed the hands on training which involved learning basic first aid including CPR and the recovery position. We'd also like to thank the parents who attended our Year 6 SATs information evening. We hope you found it informative and useful!

