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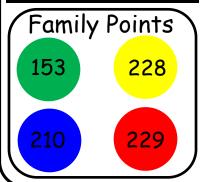
> TERM DATES School Year 2022-23

<u>lutumn Term</u> **Half Term:** Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022 **Last day of Term:** Friday 16th December 2022

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17th April 2023

Whole School Attendance 2022-23	
TARGET	97.0%
05/09	92.0%
12/09	96.3%
19/09	95.2%
26/09	
03/10	
10/10	
17/10	
24/10	
31/10	
Total:	94.9%



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VISION: Delivering excellence, allowing all to flourish MISSION: Creating a culture of wonder, guided by Christian Faith VALUES: COMPASSION - ENDURANCE - THANKFULNESS

It's been a shorter week than normal with the Queen's funeral on Monday.

However, we have packed a lot into four days!

Year Six have continued with their cycle training, which will continue next week. Children have brought their bicycles to school and are in training to achieve their cycling proficiency award. Training is led by qualified cycling teachers from the local authority.

As the head teacher, I am constantly monitoring the work of the school. Formal monitoring took place this week during which I saw excellent teaching and learning across the school. Children are well settled and engaged in their learning. Teachers continue to focus on routines and establishing expectations in the classroom at the start of the year as they work through the curriculum.

Meet the Teacher meetings are now complete. We hope you have found these a useful opportunity to visualise the classroom that your child will be learning in and to meet the teacher in person. An opportunity to discuss your child's individual progress will come later in the term. In the meantime, if you have any concerns or questions about your child's time at school please raise them with your child's class teacher.

Our full governing body met for their first full meeting of the year last night. Amongst the many topics discussed were the school's finances. Many schools are currently concerned about fuel prices and unfunded wage increases. The price cap will certainly help, but it is a time of uncertainty. This is an anxiety which many families will share as we head into winter and the cost of living crisis becomes a reality. I am very grateful to parents who have made additional donations to the school already this term—your thought and generosity are greatly appreciated. We have also had offers from parents who would like to anonymously sponsor other families who may be finding it difficult to meet costs at this time. Please do approach myself or Mrs Abraham if you would like to make a donation to the school or a family. I am very grateful to all of the parents past and present who have generously given in many different ways. We stand upon the donations of the past and continue to benefit from our distinctive community spirit. Our contributions today—material or otherwise are all valued and will shore up the St. Mary's of the future.

Finally this week, a reminder that next Friday is our Harvest Festival at St. Mary's Church. Many thanks to Mr Lett who is leading and organising this in school. Please join us from 9.45am for the service—all welcome. If you would like to contribute to the Harvest offerings—please see the information that was sent home last week. We will be transporting all of the shoeboxes to the Church next Thursday afternoon. We will not be taking in any further donations after Thursday lunchtime

Until next week, best wishes from everyone here at St. Mary's, Cheryl Payne

Head Teacher

