



“Grow together in Christ”

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Virtue to live by:

COURAGE

I can reflect on the choices I
have made.



Attendance: The best attending class last week were Y6 with **99%**.

Let us work together to build our attendance over the next 6 weeks. I have received an abundance of holiday requests forms – please note that school cannot authorise any holidays in term time. The children will be working up to the final day of term!



Awards: These awards are given out in Friday's Gold Book assembly and must be returned the following Thursday.

Handwriting:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Grace	Lucas	Isabel	Mila	Emilia	Isla	Koen

Excellent attitude to learning award: these are prestigious awards, and the children should be very proud of themselves for achieving these. Well done.

EYFS/ KS1: -Xanthe- Y2

KS2: Xanthe – Y6



Dance Spectacular: For those pupils attending this with Miss Stephens on 23rd June, she has said that she is happy to put on an extra practice on Wednesdays after school. Please let Miss Stephens know if your child wishes to attend the extra sessions.

Year 5/6 Sleepover: This will take place on Friday 23rd June. The children can be dropped off from 7pm. We will have a BBQ dinner and then weather permitting there will be games on the field before a film and hot chocolate to round the night off. Breakfast will be served in the morning and children are to be collected at 8am. Thank you to Miss Nicholson, Mrs Sweeney, Mrs Findlay, Mrs Brearley for offering to stay overnight. Thank you to those who will attend to help and support up to bedtime too. The children love this event, and it is a time to make memories and it is a cheap overnight sitting service!!

Summer Fair: Saturday 1st July 2023. The big event is fast approaching. Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered in some way to help on the day. I am always blow away by the generosity and selflessness of people at this event. The time given to come and set up, man stalls, cook, serve drinks etc etc! All of this means that funds are available to provide the luxury things for your children. I look forward to seeing you all there. Please contact yourfosc@gmail.com or school if you can still offer any help. If you have a gazebo for a stall, please also contact FOSM. Many thanks.

Important days and dates for this half term

Friday 23rd June

Dance Spectacular at
Headingley

Sleepover for Year 5 & 6 -
more details to follow.

Saturday 1st July

Rothwell St Mary's
SUMMER FAIR

Friday 7th July

Reception Class
Assembly

Monday 10th July

Transition Week in School
**Reception home visits
and visits to school**

Monday 17th July

School Sports Day
KS2 am at 9am
Rec + KS1 pm at 1.15pm
Please bring your own
chair or picnic blanket
and pray for good
weather!!

Thursday 20th July

Leaver's assembly 9am
Y6 Play for parents
1.30pm

Friday 21st July

Mass 9am
Breakfast roll, tea, coffee
for parents
Please can you let the
school office know if you
are going to attend.

Brunch Lunch
Break up 1pm

Netball: Our Netball team played in the Catholic league last Thursday evening. Our Y6 netball team played amazingly tonight at the Bishop Roche Cup! Roll on the final in a few weeks. Played 6 games, won 4, drew 1, lost 1.



Y2/3 Football tournament: This is the first time these



children have been out to a football event. Mrs Youhill and Mrs Lacey were blown away by the wonderful attitude they showed. Well done to our Y2 and Y3 football super stars on representing our school in a tournament today.



Class Trips: It is always a pleasure when staff return from their class trips and say how wonderful the children have behaved and how much enjoyment they have shown. What is more important is that they go out of

school and are able to show reverence and respect. A credit to the staff and to their parents.



Summer Picnic beside the Seaside Special: We will be having a themed lunch on Friday 7th July. Menu – fish and chips, vegetable bites and chips, bread and butter, peas or baked beans, Rocket Lolly. If your child normally has packed lunches, please book a dinner via School Money if they wish to take part.

Staffing for September 2023

Reception – Miss Cohen

Year 1 – Miss Stephens

Year 2 – Miss Drury

Year 3 – Mrs Collins / Miss Horan

Year 4 – Mrs Poole

Year 5 – Mr Murtagh

Year 6 – Miss Nicholson + Mrs Hallos (4 mornings)

Staff will be doing drop ins during the first week back in September for meet the teacher sessions. Please add this to your diaries.

Communicating with staff members: Please can I remind parents that the correct email address to use for any communication to staff is head@rothwellstmarys.org.uk. Please can I ask parents not to use staff personal emails as this can add to excessive workload or undue anxiety outside of the school working day.

Future Dates:

Return to school.
We begin our new school year on **Monday 4th September**. The staff have their first training day on Friday 1st September.

Collective Worship Times **Parents are invited to attend in person.**

Year 6 – Thursday 8.30am

Year 5 – Thursday 2.40pm

Year 4 – Tuesday 2.45pm

Year 3- **Monday 2.40pm**

Year 2 – Thursday 8.40pm

Year 1 – Thursday 8.30am

Reception – Thursday 8.40 am (new time)

Church Bulletin

Please use the link below to access St Mary's Church weekly bulletin.

<https://www.stmaryrothwell.org.uk/bulletin/>

Telephone: 0113 8242819 Email:

pp.stmary.rothwell@dioceseofleeds.org.uk

Summer Safety

With the holidays approaching very soon, please follow this link to seek support of how you can keep your child safe online over the summer.

<https://safetynet.skipseducational.org/>

Times of school-

Gate opens at 8.20am and closes for the start of lessons at 8.30am. Please ensure that you arrive during this 10min window.

Twitter: All our teacher now keep our Twitter page updated. Please follow us @rothwellstmarys to find out what has been happening in school each day. Keep an eye out for our latest news.



FOSM: Can you help us please? The summer fair needs people to set up, man stalls (even for 30 mins at a time), help clear away. If you are available and are wishing to work in partnership with school and FOSM, please let me know if you can help. Thank you – Miss Leonard.



Do you have a spare gazebo that FOSM can borrow on the 1st of July for the Summer Fair? If you do, please email yourfosc@gmail.com. Thank you all in advance.

Safeguarding:

Our safeguarding policy for 2022/23 is available on the school website <https://www.rothwellstmarys.co.uk/school-info/safeguarding/> . Our safeguarding team is below.

Miss Leonard, Mrs Sweeney, Ms MacPherson, Mrs Sheldon-Price should you wish to contact us, please use the usual address. We have a duty of care to protect all our children and families.

Always remember that the door is open, and your first port of call should be your child's class teacher. If you need to speak further, then please see Mrs Sweeney or failing that myself. It is always better to nip things in the bud and get a resolution quickly with your child's teacher. **Remember – working together achieves more!**

God Bless Miss S Leonard –head teacher head@rothwellstmarys.org.uk

