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Dear Parents

We have had a great week at St Mary's, our Reception class had a parent's drop-in session looking at Maths and Characteristics of Effective Learning, the School Nurse ran one of her regular parent drop-in sessions and our Reception class had their vision checks carried out.

This morning we have the Community Currator at our Assembly taking about Thomas Hardy and the Victorian Fair being put on in Dorchester on Sunday 2nd June. Some of our children dressed up and looked great in Victorian outfits.



Swimming Pool Vouchers

Soon after half term we will start to use the school swimming pool. If you would like to buy a swimming pool voucher please pop into the school office next week onwards. The voucher costs £25 and entitles your child(ren) at St Mary's to use the school pool after school and during the Summer holidays.

Lifeguard Training at St Mary's

Please note our two Lifeguard Training sessions are on next Wednesday 22nd at 9.00 am and Thursday 23rd at 6.00 pm. We really need as many parent Lifeguards as possible to ensure that we can offer after school and Summer holiday swimming to our pupils.

We also need more Reception parents to train as Lifeguards to enable the Reception children to swim during the summer term as well.

All training is given for this role and the rota for Lifeguard sessions is divided between all of the parent volunteers. Please sign up at the office for the training sessions.

Many thanks for your support of this brilliant facility.

PE kits & warmer weather

With the warmer sunnier weather here we will be able to do far more PE outside, please can I remind parents that our PE kit is a white t-shirt and black or white shorts with plimsolls or trainers.

Please also remember to send your child to school with suncream on and with sunhats now that the days are warmer and sunnier – thank you.

UNIVERSARAMA!

Dorchester Arts have asked us to let you know about the Squashbox Theatre on Thursday 30 May, it is a family show at the Corn Exchange. Starting at 2pm (doors 1.30pm) - £8 / £6 / £25 family (max. 2 adults) For adults and children 8 years +

Let Professor Johnson of the Squashbox Theatre Astounding and Amazing Astronomical Research Society (S.T.A.A.A.R.S) take you on a journey to the edges of space and time! Along the way you will explore the solar system, study the stars and constellations, visit distant galaxies, and hear the fascinating story of John Couch Adams, the Cornishman who discovered Neptune.

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday 22 nd May	Mass at St Mary's – 9.00 am
Wednesday 22 nd May	Lifeguard parent training – 9.00-11.00 am
Wednesday 22 nd May	Year 2 parent's PTA cake sale – 3.00 pm (changed from 24 th)
Thursday 23 rd May	Lifeguard parent training – 6.00-8.00 pm
Friday 24 th May	Children finish for half term
Friday 14 th June	Sports Day – parents welcome from 10.00 am onwards (slight change to last week's newsletter – more information to follow)
Saturday 22 nd June – Future Date for your diary	Grounds Day at St Mary's – a day for parents to come along and help to tidy up and work on the school grounds – please put the date in your diary.

Yours Sincerely

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Mrs Paula Fearn
Head Teacher