



# St Mary's Newsletter – 18.3.16

## Around school this week .... Science Week

On Tuesday afternoon Years 1 -6 were in their sports day teams moving between two classes and carrying out science investigations on a range of topics, lots of fun science. More science was carried out in our classes through the rest of the week. St Mary's is full of budding scientists!



On Monday the whole school planted 211 trees donated by the Rotary Club in our woodland. Every child planted a tree with a label designed by the school council with their name on it.



## Swale Class's Victorian Day

Swale had a very exciting day on Wednesday, with the children and staff looking fantastic in their Victorian costumes. The children entered the classroom and were separated into girls and boys and were sat in rows. They were treated to a workshop by 2 ladies from Saltaire, who explained to the children at great length what life would have been like at the time. The children even had a Victorian PE lesson and did a traditional 'drill' session. It was a great day with the children and staff definitely getting into character!



**Enthuse** - This term we have applied for the Enthuse award with the STEM Centre in York. This award is aimed to encourage scientific investigation within school and inspire the next generation of scientists. Excitingly we have received the award and will be working closely with a primary science specialist from the centre. Throughout the summer term most classes and class teachers will have the opportunity to do some exciting science with this specialist.

Congratulations to Oliver Gill who achieved his black belt in Karate last week end and also to Megan Mitchell, Emma Hill and Lily Kileen who won the Brownie Superteams Award. Well done to you all!

## Diary Dates

- 18.3.16 – Friends of St Mary's Quiz Night
- 21.3.16 – 23.3.16 – Y6 Bikeability
- 22.3.16 & 23.3.16 – Y6 Parent's Evening
- 11.4.16 – TRAINING DAY
- 12.4.16 – School Opens
- 19.4.16 & 20.4.16 – Reception, Y1 – Y5 Parent's Evening
- 22.4.16 - Friends Bingo Night

## Sport News

On Monday 7th March, Mr Wilson, Mrs Oultram and Miss Merrin took our Reception class (Nidd) up to St John Fishers High School to take part in a Multi-skills competition. Everybody had a fantastic time.

Hockey – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Quick Sticks Hockey final after outstanding effort and teamwork. Well Done,

Well done to our year 4 children who went orienteering with Mr Verhees and Mr Wilson this week and came 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## St Mary's Catholic Church, Bond End, Knaresborough

Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6pm, Children's Liturgy Sunday 10.00am – Children aged Pre-school – First Holy Communion and Sunday 5pm.

## HOLY WEEK

Sacred Triduum Liturgy times:

- 24 March Thursday of the Lord's Supper 7.30 pm.
- 25 March Friday of the Passion of the Lord 3.00 pm
- 26 March Easter Vigil 8.30pm
- 27 March Easter Sunday 10.00am