



St Mary
Magdalene
Academy

Primary School Newsletter

7 April 2017



It's been another successful term at SMMA Primary. The children have made us all very proud with their hard work, determination and pride—they are making fantastic progress. Staff wish to express their continued thanks for the support families have given them throughout the term. Please continue to support your child with reading throughout the holidays. We hope you have a relaxing break and look forward to seeing you on Monday 24 April for the start of the summer term. **Ms Luzmore**

Assembly themes

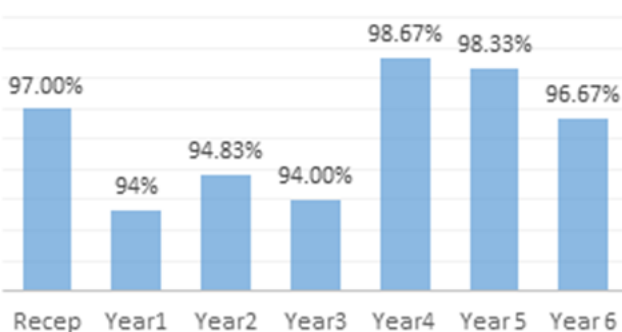
In assemblies this week, **Mr Hollingum** spoke to the school about forgiveness. In **Rev April's** assembly, we looked at the symbol of the cross and what it means for different people. We thought about the shape of the empty cross is a sign for Christians of God's offering and power over death. The vertical part representing our healed friendship with God and the horizontal part our healed relationships with each other.



The Easter Garden in the library and work from across the school.



Last week's attendance figures



Remember—everyday counts!

Please pay all **outstanding club fees** on ParentPay as soon as possible.

Cake sales Apologies for the wrong date for Reception class last week. The actual date is 15 June. Year 2 cake sale is 27 April. The Year 3 cake sale raised £140. Thank you!

School Journey payments Reminder that last day for payment for Sayer's Croft (Year 5) is 5 May and for Hothorpe Hall (Year 6) is 9 June.

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Attendance and Punctuality

You may have noticed our new noticeboard outside the school office which shows the impact of being late to school in stark figures. Punctuality and attendance really matter for the success of your child. Children are expected to be in school for 190 days a year. 95% attendance may sound like a lot, but means they have missed approximately 10 days of school or two weeks.

If in a school year your child is late everyday...	your child would have lost approximately...	or they would have missed approximately...
5 minutes	3.5 days from school	20 lessons
10 minutes	7 days from school	41 lessons
15 minutes	10 days from school	55 lessons
20 minutes	14.5 days from school	82 lessons
30 minutes	22 days from school	123 lessons

You should not take your child on holiday during term time. Please encourage punctuality to maintain school attendance.
Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity

Summer Term Dates for your diary. Assembly dates to be confirmed.	
Monday 24 April	First day of Summer term
Wednesday 26 April	Year 5 Handball Tournament
Thursday 27 April	Year 2 Cake Sale
Monday 1 May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 May	Year 4 Trip to Science Museum
Tuesday 2 May	Year 3 Parent Lunch
Wednesday 3 May	Class Photos
Thursday 4 May	Year 4 Parent Lunch
Week beginning Monday 8 May	Year 6 KS2 SATs week
Week beginning Monday 8 May	Clubs start
Tuesday 16 May	Year 5 Parent Lunch
Thursday 18 May	Year 1 Cake Sale
Wednesday 24—Friday 26 May	Year 5 Sayer's Croft
Thursday 25 May	Year 6 Parent Lunch
Monday 29 May—Friday 2 June	Half Term
Tuesday 6 June	Year 1 Trip to London Zoo
Thursday 15 June	Reception Cake Sale
Tuesday 20 June	New Reception Class Induction Afternoon
Thursday 22 June	Year 5 Junior Citizen Event
Thursday 22 June	PTSA Summer Fair
Monday 26 June to Friday 30 June	Year 6 Hothorpe Hall
Tuesday 4 July	Sport's Day
Wednesday 5 July	Whole School Photo
Thursday 13 July	Whole School Display Evening
Monday 17 July	Year 5 and 6 Olympic Trip
Wednesday 19 July	Year 6 Exhibition event
Friday 21 July	Last day of term