



Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow – our final week of this academic year is here! The Word of the Week is 'Celebrate' – what a great word to focus on in our prayer as there is so much we will give thanks for this week.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 21 st July	Daisy's House Group are CELEBRATING
Wed 23 rd July	Mass of Thanksgiving for Year 6 – ALL WELCOME
	Celebration afternoon – see below!
Friday 25 th July	9:15am Final Assembly including St Mary's Annual School Awards
	Summer holiday's begin
Mon 1 st , Tues 2 nd Sept	School closed for teacher training (INSET Days)
Wednesday 3 rd September	School reopens for the Academic Year 2025 – 2026!

Daisy's House Team Celebration



Children in team Daisy were given a note on Friday to tell them that they have received the most House Points over the whole year – **WELL DONE**.

Children are celebrating tomorrow, Monday 21/7/25, by gathering at lunch time and enjoying some extra fun in the day. Alongside their usual lunch, they will have extra treats provided in true banquet style. Remember **Team Daisy to come in non-uniform**, green if possible.

Celebration for Mrs Carberry

A week or so ago we sent a letter providing information about Wednesday afternoon, when all the children and staff are going to celebrate all the special things about Mrs Carberry, who is retiring. This will be her final day in school. I know you will join me in wishing her a very happy retirement!

Year 6 are asked to wear their full school uniform for Mass on Wednesday and will get changed after.

All the other children should **come to school in non-uniform – the brighter the better** (pinks, yellows, bright blues). We hope to enjoy lots of fun on the field in the afternoon.

A final message...

First of all, a huge THANK YOU and heartfelt congratulations to the wonderful Daniel Sweeney – or as we all know him, Danny! Danny and I both began our journey at St Mary's five years ago, and in that time, he has worked so hard behind the scenes to make sure our school is always a safe, welcoming, and happy place for our children to learn and play. I know so many of you enjoy friendly chats with him at the gate each morning, and I'm sure you'll join me in showing him lots of love and appreciation this week. Danny will soon be having a scheduled operation, and we all wish him well. **Thank you, Danny!**

From me personally, I want to say the biggest thank you from the bottom of my heart. From the moment I arrived at St Mary's, I have felt truly welcomed, appreciated, and part of something very special. It has been such a joy and privilege to get to know you and your families, and to serve this amazing community that shines so brightly with Jesus' love. When people ask me why I'm leaving, it's hard to find the words – because it's not easy to go. But I believe I'm being called to serve as Headteacher at Sacred Heart in Carlton, and I go with gratitude in my heart and peace in knowing that this beautiful school is in the safe and caring hands of Ms O'Neill and the wonderful team. Thank you again and I hope to see many of you over this coming week. If not, HAPPY HOLIDAYS! With love, *Anne-Marie Bell xxx*