



# St Mary's Catholic School

Growing together in knowledge, faith and love

20th December  
2017



Dear All

What a fabulous half term we have had. I have been so proud of all the children for their amazing Christmas performances. What a joy to hear all the children singing and bringing us back to the true meaning of Christmas amongst all the chaos of Christmas buying! I would like to wish you all a happy and prosperous 2018 and look forward to seeing you all on Thursday 4th January for the start of our Spring Term.  
Best wishes  
Demelza Bolton  
Headteacher











*From all the staff at St Mary's Catholic School,  
We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*





“Let us make room in our heart and in our day for Jesus. Each family find room, as Mary and Joseph did, to welcome Jesus, listen to him, speak with him, guard him and grow with him, and in this way improve the world”. Happy Christmas. Fr Philip

**Christmas Vigil Mass** 5 p.m. in Penzance & 6.30 p.m. in Hayle

**The Midnight Mass**, preceded by carols from 11.20 on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Mass begins at Midnight

**Mass of the Dawn** 9 a.m. in St Ives:

**Mass of the Day** 11 a.m. in Penzance

### House points

Well done to Newlyn house who won the most house points this term. The children receive house points for good work.

Newlyn children have been treated to a free fun swim which took place today!

### Thank you!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped the school this term. We are very lucky to have a wonderful PTA who organise many events for the children and school as a whole. I would also like to thank everyone that has volunteered to help at school this term with reading, swimming and trips. Without your support all of these things would not be possible.

### Goodbye

We would like to wish goodbye and thank you to Claire Johns who left us at the beginning of the Autumn Term. Claire has worked for and been connected to the school for over 25 years and has been on sick leave for just over 3 years. We would like to wish her well for the future.

### Class Attendance

Each week classes have the opportunity to win an attendance prize for the best attendance. We are seeing an increasing number of children arriving late to school. Please could you make sure your child is in school for the close of the register at 9am. The school gates are open between 8.40am and 9am.

w/ending 1st December 2017

1st place Y3 with 97%, 2nd place Y1 with 95% and 3rd place Y2 with 94%

### Dates for your Diary

#### Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4th January	All	Return for Spring Term
Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February		Half term holiday
Monday 19th February	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Tuesday 20th February	All	Return for second half Spring Term
Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April		Easter Break

#### Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April	All	Return for Summer Term
Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June		Half term holiday
Monday 4th June	All	Return for second half Summer Term
Monday 23rd July	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Tuesday 24th July	All	INSET DAY—School closed
Wednesday 25th July	All	Break up for the Summer Holidays