



# *St Mary's Catholic Primary School*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we say goodbye to our lovely ducklings. We have loved having them in school and watching them grow so quickly. Although the PTA paid for them for the Foundation Stage children I can honestly say that the whole school has benefitted from them. A special thank you to the PTA! Here they are swimming. They really will be missed, as it was such a happy sound in school.



After speaking to our Dad helpers we are going to work on the pond area on Saturday ~~7<sup>th</sup>~~<sup>6<sup>th</sup></sup> July. If you can come along and help please let the office know. I will be making the bacon sandwiches and vegetarian equivalent (if needed) as well as copious amounts of tea. I will need to know numbers so I know how much to buy. Your children are welcome to come along and play on the astro-turf with the sports equipment whilst you work. There will be juice and biscuits for them. Please sign up to come and join in the fun!



Every Year Mr Palmer our 'Guitar Teacher' requests to put on a little concert for his pupils. He gives of his own time to do this and we are all very appreciative. It was always Mr Howard's favourite event so I was pleased that I got to be there this year. The children played a variety of pieces of music and we all enjoyed listening to them. Special thanks to Mrs Wilson and to Mr Palmer.

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Last Friday our Year One children invited their parents and carers in for their 'Bee' afternoon. The children shared all that they had learnt and sold their decorated bee pebbles to raise money. We are delighted that they raised £30 for the Dorset Wildlife Trust – "Get Dorset Buzzing in 2019" Campaign. Well done and thank you again for the support.



Congratulations to Aska in Year 4 who took part in the "UUKMA South East Regional Sports Meet" She came first in a number of races and got two trophies and lots of certificates.



I am pleased to share with you that I have been appointed as the Plymouth CAST Cluster Co-ordinator for East Dorset. This means that I will be working with Christ the King Bournemouth, Orchard Nursery Bournemouth, St Joseph's Poole and St. Catherine's Wimborne.

Next week we will be sending home the books from last year with the children. There are a lot of books so please can you send your child in with a named bag. We will presume that if you do not send in a bag that you do not want the books to go home. Thank you.



Yours faithfully,

*Helen Armstrong*

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