

This weekend we celebrate the 5th Sunday of Lent.

Dear Parent/Carer,

Many thanks once again for the excellent turnout at our School Mass for Mothering Sunday. It was a wonderful celebration and I am very grateful to you for your ongoing support of these great occasions.

> Next week in school we will be commemorating the events of Holy Week as a part of our Collective Worship. This will involve all of our children. Holy Week itself of course, takes place in the first week of the Easter Break. Nonetheless, it is very important that we mark it for our children in school.

**Holy Week** We had a very high turnout for our Open Afternoon this week, it was wonderful to see so many parents engaging with their children, looking at their learning and discussing it together. I trust that you enjoyed the experience.



A reminder that the Friends of St. Mary's will be hosting the St. Mary's Great Easter Bake Off/Bonnet Parade & Coffee Afternoon on Wednesday, 1.30-3pm in the school hall. This year they invite Years 1 -6 to create Easter themed bakes which will be entered into 1 of our 2 categories: Mini Baker 2024

(Yrs 1 & 2) Junior Baker 2024 (Yrs 3-6). Entries to be brought in before 12pm on 20th March. They also invite our **Atelier pupils to create at home Easter Bonnets** to show in

the school hall in a parade for the parents to see. Easter bonnets to be sent into school by 19th March. There will be a pre loved school uniform table, Raffle and tea/coffee and cake available to purchase, so bring some change! We hope you can join us for the afternoon on Wednesday 20th March 1:30-3pm.



Next week our governors will be working through the selection process to appoint our new Headteacher. We hope to be able to let you know the outcome before the end of term next week.



This Spring Term ends next week on Friday 22nd March and the new Summer Term begins on Monday April 8th (please note, there is no INSET Day on this date).

During the month of April, children from Years 3 to 6 will be taking part in our annual programme of swimming lessons at

Pyle Leisure Centre. Details about each individual group will be sent to parents separately.





## attendance is 93.17%.

Please do help us to hit our target of 95%+ each week. Your co-operation with this very important target is much appreciated.

