



Together we love to learn
and learn to love



2019-20

Parent Presentation

18 June 2019

Our Children – Their Views



What is special about St. Mary's?

- We are kind and respectful to each other
- We go on amazing school trips
- All the teachers are wonderful
- Because of the friends we make and the love that we have
- We learn about God and how he is special to us all



It's special because we are like one big family!

Effective Leadership and Management



- Highly successful Ofsted with good outcomes
- Forest school introduced for all pupils
- High levels of attainment at KS1 in reading, writing and maths
- Significant increase in number of pupils achieving accelerated progress
- High levels of parental satisfaction. 100% of parents said their child was happy and safe at St Mary's
- A vibrant curriculum with an extensive range of experiences beyond the classroom

Sara Lawrence School Improvement Advisor – March 2019

'Every opportunity is taken by all staff to ensure learning for the pupils at St Mary's is rich, engaging and motivational.'

SDP Priority: Improve outcomes in writing



- Anticipated that KS1 writing results will be above local and national average
- 90% of parents agree that they have seen an increase in their child's enjoyment of writing
- Successful introduction of 'The Power of Reading' to support high quality writing outcomes
- Writing targets used effectively to support children's understanding of their next steps
- Purchase of high quality texts for library to engage children and develop their love of books



Parent Survey May 2019

'Our child loves writing and has gained a huge amount of confidence this year in writing independently.'

SDP Priority 2: Embed and develop the school's Christian Distinctiveness



- 97% of families said that the school's vision has had a positive impact on their child and their learning
- Worship committee established with children actively involved in planning and leading prayer
- RE Leader has attended training on subject leadership in RE and Collective Worship
- Children participated in BeSpace in March which supported opportunities for prayer and reflection



Parent comment - May 2019

'My child talks freely about love and prayer.'

Ofsted - November 2018

'You have a clear vision that balances the school's strong Christian ethos with high aspirations . . .'

SDP Priority 3: Develop the teaching and assessment of science



- Target Tracker used to track and assess progress in science
- Increased opportunities for hands-on science in class
- British Science Week celebrated with a variety of experiments and investigations
- All year groups have attended and participated in workshops by 'Science Oxford Live'
- The use of the school pond and forest school visits have enhanced pupil's enthusiasm for nature and wildlife



Pupil Feedback May 2019
'100% of pupils said that science experiments promoted discussion, reasoning and co-operation.'

Outcomes of Pupils



EYFS

Year	2018 National	2019 School
% GLD	71%	81%

Year 1 Phonics

Year	2018 National	2019 School
% Pass	82%	87%

Year 2 Phonics

Year	2018 National	2019 School
% Pass	92%	93%

Progress and attainment at St. Mary's is good for all children

Key Stage 1 Outcomes



Teacher Assessment	% of pupils reaching the Expected Standard and at Greater Depth		% of pupils reaching Greater Depth	
	National 2018	School 2019	National 2018	School 2019
Reading	75%	86%	26%	41%
Writing	70%	72%	16%	21%
Maths	76%	83%	22%	34%

Enriching the Curriculum



Parent Survey March 2019

'I believe St Mary's has given my child the best start to his learning journey.'



Parent Survey – We're listening!



You said . . .

We did . . .

More opportunities for learning outside

We agree! We're increasing the number of forest school sessions for Reception and Year 1 and introducing The Prince William Award for Year 2.

We'd like parental workshops to be held at different times

We understand. It's hard to find a time to suit everyone but we will try to vary the times even more. All our presentations are uploaded on to our website so do check them out and get back to us if you'd like to discuss them.

We like the changes to homework with less time spent on topic

Thanks for the feedback. It's good to know that the removal of topic homework is enabling our families to focus on family time with a little reading and Super Numbies thrown in.

Can we have coffee mornings on different days?

Of course!

SDP 2019-2020



➤ Priority 1

To further strengthen the provision and achievement in writing

➤ Priority 2

Continue to embed and develop the school's Christian distinctiveness

➤ Priority 3

To support the personal development and flourishing of all

