St Mary's Weekly

'Every Child Flourishing'







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Friday 4th November Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! This week we have had lots of trips happening in school. Year One have been to Worsbrough Mill and Year Six have been to Crucial Crew. We have also bought lots of new texts to support our science curriculum thanks to your donations for the disco. The children looked amazing today as we celebrated TT Rock Star Day! Please practise times tables with children on a regular basis - having good times table knowledge is vital to success in Maths.

Roof repairs

We must ask that children are monitored by parents outside of school. Children should be supervised by parents before school- please make sure that children do not swing on the scaffolding. We have been using the top playground this week and children have been brilliant adapting in school to the change. We decided to start with the school hall so we could use the hall for production rehearsals throughout December. As I shared in a letter earlier this week, this has led to a few disruptions this week with using the hall. We are hoping to have full use of the hall again from the middle of next week.

Rudolf Run

This year we have supporting Barnsley Hospice by taking part in the Rudolf Run again. This is a charity very close to many members of staff's hearts and to many members of our school community. Any money raised will be shared between Barnsley Hospice and school. Children should have come home with their sponsor form today. Completed sponsorship forms should be returned to school one of before 9th December. Children will all receive a red nose and antlers to keep and complete the run in. The day of the event is the 1st December, its Christmas jumpers for this day too. We hope this will be a memorable event for children and help get them into the Christmas spirit.

Poppy Appeal

The school has received poppies, wristbands etc to sell for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022, these are available from the Office on a morning and after school for a voluntary donation.

Art Club and Football Club

The clubs are now on ParentPay for payment, payment must be made before attending, if you no longer require the place please let the office know as soon as possible.

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

These are available to purchase at https://www.vortexschoolwear.co.uk/Primary-Schools/St-Marys-BARNSLEY-CE-Primary-School/

Free School Meals

To find out more information on free school meals, the qualifying criteria and how to apply, please visit www.barnsley.gov.uk/free-school-meals or call 01226 787787

Diary Dates

NOVEMBER

Reading Curriculum Meeting Year 2 upwards, Weds 9th 9am (Please arrive through the hall doors)

Year 5 Remembrance at the Town Hall 11th November

Parents Evening 16th November

Children In Need 18th November

Advent Mass in school, Tuesday 29th (children only)

December

Christmas Dinner day, Thursday 1st (children can wear Christmas jumpers over their uniform if they wish) and;

Rudolph Run 1st (children can wear Christmas jumpers over their uniform if they wish)

Rocksteady concert 10am Tuesday 6th (for children's parents/carers/grandparents taking part in rocksteady music sessions)

Christingle service at St Paul's whole school Thursday 8th (children only)

Afternoon concerts for KS1 and KS2 13th (Details to follow)

Christmas Party Day, Wednesday 14th

Evening concerts for KS1 and KS2, Wednesday 14th (Details to follow)

Carols around the tree 2:15pm, Thursday 15th (parents/carers welcome)

Reception and Year 6 Nativity at St Mary's church 10:00am (families of children in these classes are welcome to attend) $Friday 16^{th}$

Last day of school Friday 16th December 2022.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

L. Spencer R. Steele

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