

# St Mary's Weekly

'Every Child Flourishing'



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Friday 24th February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful half term, and the children were able to relax, have fun and recharge those batteries. A huge thank you to everyone who supported 'Bun Week' we raised just over £300! We can't wait to share our new book bags when they arrive. Thank you again for your support.

Just remind you of the following information we shared previously: following a ballot of its members, the National Union of Education Union (NEU) has announced a series of strikes on the following dates:

- Tuesday 28 February 2023
- Wednesday 15 March 2023
- Thursday 16 March 2023

Based on the information we currently hold; **it is our intention to remain open on these remaining dates for all pupils**. However, if on any of the dates listed above, staff shortages fall below minimum requirements, it may mean that we are unable to deliver normal provision. In these circumstances, we would consider the following:

- restricting attendance to vulnerable children
- closing specific year groups/classes
- closing the school

We will only consider restricting attendance or closing the school if we were unable to provide safe staffing levels.

This week Father Jay came into school and held a mass in school for Ash Wednesday. The children were incredible and really enjoyed the Mass. We are also delighted to announce that our roofing work is almost complete. We are hoping for the work to be completed in the next couple of weeks and once the scaffolding is down, we will have full use of both playgrounds again. This means we can safely use play equipment again as we can separate the children between both playgrounds. We will also be integrating our Reception children into the main playground in preparation for Year 1 once the scaffolding is removed so they can enjoy other areas of the school in the spring and summer months.

We have lots planned for March. We will be celebrating World Book in school on Thursday 02.03.23- children are free to dress up as a book character of their choice if they wish. We have lots of activities planned in school on this date. We will be hosting Little City which is a mobile role play city for under 6s on the 10.03.23 for both our Reception and Year One pupils to enjoy. We will share lots of photos on Twitter. Year 3 are off to the Townhall to take part in the Egyptian workshop on the 07.03.23 and finally, our Year 6 pupils will be off to Robin Wood for their residential from the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Staff are busy planning lots of trips for the summer term too. These will be shared in the upcoming weeks.

## After School Clubs

The After School Clubs Football, Art and Dance will be starting back up next week, please make payment on ParentPay before attending, please let the Office know if the place is no longer required. There will be no club's week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

**Please check your mobile phone numbers are current on ParentPay to receive text messages from School about clubs, special mentions, menu changes, etc.**

## Last week's attendance:

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Attendance %</u>
<b>FS2 (Reception)</b>	<b>99.5</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>95.2</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>91.6</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>95.8</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>91.4</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>96.9</b>

### Diary Dates

#### March

World Book Day (children can dress up as their favourite book character/activities across school) 2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 3 Egypt trip to the town hall 7<sup>th</sup> (Children will walk to the town hall as this is a local visit- they will be back intime to have lunch in school.)

Little City Moring for Reception and Year 1 10<sup>th</sup>

Rocksteady concert 21<sup>st</sup> 10am families of children who take part in Rocksteady are welcome to watch (parents can arrive from 9:50am)

Year 6 Robinwood Residential 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>

Easter Mass in school 29<sup>th</sup>



## **Winter Menu – Week Com 27/02/2023**

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>Traditional Meal of the Day</b>	Homemade Pizza Slice Oven Baked Wedges	Homemade Chicken Casserole & Dumplings	Roast of the Day with Accompaniments	Oven Baked Pork Sausage	Fish Stars or Salmon Fish Fingers
<b>Vegetarian Option</b>	Vegetarian Meatballs	Macaroni Cheese	Quorn Fillet	Vegetarian Toad in the Hole	Penne Pasta in Homemade Tomato Sauce
<b>Side Dish</b>	Mini Potato Waffles Rice	Roast Potatoes Crusty Bread	Mashed Potato	Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato	Chips Crusty Roll
<b>Accompaniments</b>	Baked Beans Coleslaw	Baton Carrots Garden Peas Gravy	Broccoli Sweetcorn Gravy	Cauliflower Savoy Cabbage Gravy	Garden Peas/Mushy Peas Carrots, Side Salad Tomato Sauce
<b>Salad Bar &amp; Bread Selection</b>	Bread Slice Salad Selection	Bread Slice Salad Selection	Bread Slice Salad Selection	Bread Slice Salad Selection	Bread Slice Salad Selection
<b>Dessert</b>	Homemade Fruit Muffin	Fruit Neapolitan Ice Cream	Assorted Cookies	Mini Doughnuts with warm jam sauce	Chocolate Sponge Chocolate sauce
<b>Daily Selection</b>	Fresh Fruit Selection, Yogurt	Fresh Fruit Selection, Yogurt	Fresh Fruit Selection, Fruit Smoothy	Fresh Fruit Selection, Yogurt	Funky Fruit Friday Fruit in Jelly
<b>Filled Jacket Potato</b>	Jacket Potato with a choice of Hot or Cold Fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of Hot or Cold Fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of Hot or Cold Fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of Hot or Cold Fillings	Jacket Potato with a choice of Hot or Cold Fillings

**Please discuss this week's menu with your child prior to the day. They can then decide whether they would like to try something from our new menu or bring a packed lunch. This can now be pre-ordered on ParentPay.**

**ParentPay Lunch debts – please ensure your child's account is in credit at all times.**