St Mary's Weekly 'Every Child Flourishing'

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Monday 16th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Phonics Workshop 16th October

Miss Gulliver will be running a phonics workshop for parents and carers of pupils in her class today. We will show you the RWI programme we use to develop early reading skills in school and look at ways to support at home. We hope to see you there at 5pm – please enter through the main hall doors.

Multiplication Check workshop 23rd October

Miss Pollard will be running a Multiplication workshop for parents and carers of pupils in her class. We do apologise but due to a clash in dates Miss Pollard is unavailable to run the training on the original date. We have brought this date forwards and we hope that you are able to attend on the 23rd October. If you are not able to attend, then please see Miss Pollard who can pass on any information or possibly look at putting on another information session later in the year. This will help you with supporting your child in preparing for the Multiplication check at the end of Year Four.

TT Rockstars Day 20th October

We are pleased to run our TT Rockstars Day on 20th October. All pupils can come to school dressed as a rockstar for the day! The children will take part in different Maths activities through the day. We will have some Maths themed prizes for the best dressed too.

Reason for Absence

If your child is absent from School due to any illness, please state the nature of illness so we can monitor any outbreaks rather than just 'unwell' we appreciate your support in this.

If your child is going to be absent from School, please call school 01226 206422 in the first instance, there is also an option to leave a voicemail.

School Disco

We are delighted to be hosting an Autumn School Disco on the 26th October; KS1 3:20pm- 4:30pm KS2 4:45- 5:45pm. No costumes please this is an Autumn Disco. Pupils staying in KS1 will stay in school and can be collected from classroom doors at 4:30pm. Pupils should bring party clothes in a bag to get changed into. Any pupils, who do not want to stay for the disco can be collected at 3:20pm as normal. KS2 pupils can arrive back at school at 4:45pm through classroom doors and be collected at 5:45pm. The cost of the disco is £2:00 per child and they will receive juice and snacks at the disco too.

Christmas Fayre

If you would like to have a stall at the Christmas Fayre, please let the office staff know. Stalls are £20.00 each. Our Christmas Fayre will be held on 14th December.

Please remember to bring any donations for the Harvest Festival that will be held on Thursday of this week. This will be our first mass of the year. This mass is for pupils only; we will share photos via X formally known as Twitter.

Diary Dates

DIARY DATES- Here are some useful dates for your diaries already. We will provide further information about specific events nearer the time. We have lots of exciting activities in store...

OCTOBER

Phonics workshop for parents 16th October **5pm (Please arrive at the main school office)** Harvest Festival Mass in school 19th October (Morning) Annie Trip to Sheffield for Year Six 19th October (Afternoon) TT Rockstars Day 20th October Year 4 parent workshop on the Year 4 Multiplication Check 2:00pm and 4:00pm 23rd October Year 5 author event on Zoom with Jack Meggitt Phillips 25th October Autumn Disco 26th October KS1 3:20pm- 4:30pm KS2 4:45- 5:45pm Last day before half term 27th October

NOVEMBER

All Saints Day Mass in school 9th November **Flu Immunisations 9th November** Odd socks day to mark the start of anti-bullying week 13th November Parents evening 15th November 3:30pm-5pm Parents evening 16th November 3:30pm-6pm Children in Need Day 17th November Year 6 Robinwood parents meetings 22nd November 3:30pm and 4:30pm Year 6 Robinwood 27th - 29th November

December

Christmas Dinner Day 6th December (Christmas Jumpers can be worn) National Christmas Jumper Day 7th December Elf Run 8th December Advent Mass in school 6th December Year 6 Crucial Crew Trip – 11th December Christmas Party Day 12th December (Party clothes can be worn to school) Christingle service at St Paul's Church (pupils only) 13th December Christmas Fayre 14th December Afternoon production for Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5th 18thDecember Rock Steady Concert 19th December 2:00pm (for parents and carers of pupils taking part in Rocksteady lessons) Evening production for Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 19th December Carols Around the Tree PM 21st December (all parents/ carers welcome) Reception/ Year 6 Nativity at St May's Church AM 15th December (parents/carers welcome of pupils in Year 6 and Reception) Last Day before Christmas Holidays 21st December

Yours sincerely,

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