

St Mary's Weekly

'Every Child Flourishing'



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Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week we have hosted TTRockstars day and it was a delight to see everyone dressed to impress. The effort everyone went to was great- the pupils enjoyed doing different Maths games and practising their timetables. Please keep practising at home as it makes a huge difference to the children in school and is vital to success in mathematics. We would also like to praise our Year Six pupils who attended a showing of Annie at the Lyceum this week and had many wonderful comments passed on about their behaviour. We also would like to thank Father Miguel on a wonderful Harvest Mass in school. The children were excellent and we were delighted to have Foundation Stage join us for the first time in collective Worship.

Please can we ask that no children use the Foundation Stage play equipment before school.

Wedding Bells

We are delighted announce that Miss Gulliver is getting married this weekend. She will be called Mrs Godfree on return to school. We like to pass on our huge congratulations to her and her partner.

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.

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. Children should have brought home a letter. 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. Permissions slips and payment should be made before the day.

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.

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

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 18th December

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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Headteacher

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Deputy Headteacher