



St Mary's C.E. Primary School

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Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents/carers,

Well, that week flew past - what a fantastic first week back it has been. I have been so impressed with the positive and hard-working attitudes of everyone! School has had a real buzz about it, and I know that teachers enjoyed passing on wonderful feedback at parents evening. Thank you to everyone who completed a parent questionnaire, your views are greatly appreciated.

Children in Need:

Friday 15th November is Children in Need, please wear something bright, yellow or spotty on this day. We will be welcoming £1 donations to support this amazing charity. We will complete a range of activities in school.

Anti-Bullying Week:

Anti-bullying week 2024 is Monday 11th to Friday 15th November 2024.

We will be completing a range of activities in school to highlight this. Tuesday 12th November is 'odd socks day', this yearly event takes place during anti-bullying week, and we will take part in this. There are no donations needed, and normal school uniform will be worn. I can't wait to see the crazy combinations of socks!

Universal Free School Meals:

Polite reminder that parents of Reception age pupils can still apply for free school meals if you think you are eligible. This can help with the funding of trips etc.

Remembrance Day:

On Monday 11th November we would like to invite parents in to school to see our work in honour of Remembrance Day. This will take place after school in the hall, please collect your child as usual and re-enter school through the hall fire doors.

Dinner Debts:

Please ensure that all dinner debts are cleared as a matter of urgency.



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ParentPay:

If you have not yet activated your parent pay account please do so, if this is not completed this may prevent you from receiving texts and letters etc.

Parking:

Please park considerately when dropping children off and at collection times. We are receiving an increasing number of telephone calls from residents who are unable to access their garage/property during these times.

Christmas Dates for the diary:

We are heading to the busiest and best time of the year in school and want parents to have dates of the wonderful festivities in advance.

Friday 29th November- School Christmas Fayre!

Wednesday 4th December- Advent Mass, 2.15pm in the school hall.

Tuesday 10th December- Christingle @ St. Paul's. Unfortunately, due to space and health and safety we are NOT inviting parents to this event.

Friday 13th December- Christmas Dinner Day, we would like to invite children to wear their Christmas jumpers on this day.

Tuesday 17th December- Afternoon performance of the Christmas concerts. (Times will be released closer to the date.)

Wednesday 18th December- Evening performance of the Christmas concerts. (Times will be released closer to the date.)

Wednesday 18th December- Christmas parties! Children are invited to wear their party clothes on this day.

Thursday 19th December- Carols Around the Tree @ 2pm.

Friday 20th December- Reception nativity in Church @ 10am. (Reception and Y6 parents only please).



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Weekly Attendance:

Class:	Percentage:
FS2	96.43%
Year 1	94.76%
Year 2	97.5%
Year 3	97.41%
Year 4	96.59%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	99.29%

Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to continuing to work with you as the year progresses.

Mr L Spencer
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