



## St Mary's Community Primary School Newsletter 12 January 2024

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Attendance  
for the week:  
95.7%

Target = 96%

We have had a good start to 2024 and the children are in full learning mode.

**COATS/TEMPERATURES:** Predicted temperatures for next week are low with "feel like" temperatures being below freezing all week according to the Met Office. (An amber weather warning is expected to be issued over the weekend.) Based on this, please ensure that your child/ren come into school with a named warm coat, hat and gloves as they will be outside at break and lunchtimes unless it is raining. (There are lunchtime clubs which children can attend if they would rather come out of the cold.)

On that note, a number of children appear not to feel the cold, however we have a sense of responsibility and ask that you make your child aware that next week, all children will be expected to wear their coat when outside.

**SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS:** We are in the process of finalising the procedure for what happens in the event of a school closure eg snow day. Details of which will be emailed out to all our parents next week.

**LIP BALMS:** With the cold hitting us, children can have lip balm in school if needed for **medical reasons**, however this must be kept in the office to prevent children sharing them with others.

### **CENSUS LUNCH – THURS 18<sup>TH</sup> JAN:**

Census is upon us again and as previously explained, it is extremely important to the school as it dictates the funding the school will receive for the rest of the year.

This information is also important for the funding we receive for Free School Meals and Universal Free School Meals (Reception, Year 1 and 2). At this stage, we have not had confirmation that the Universal Free School Meals will continue next year.

The menu from Lunchtime Company for next Thursday is opposite.

Please note that the Pasta with Cheese Sauce will still be available and fruit will also be on offer.



Proud to belong

In assembly today, the following awards were celebrated:

STAR, DIAMOND, ANGEL & READER OF THE WEEK  
12 JANUARY 2024

	STAR: Great progress 	DIAMOND: Great effort 	ANGEL: Excellent behaviour 	Reader: 
Reception	Jax	Freya	Francesca	Luca
Year 1	Henry	George	Anna	Billy
Year 2	Luke	Blake	Mabel	Florie-Marie
Year 3	Harrison	Toby	Charlotte L	Charles
Year 4	Henry	Levon	Bea	Isabell
Year 5	Noah	Mason	Charlie	Olly
Year 6	Thomas	Riley	Freddie	Daniel

The following class awards were handed out today in order to promote our school rules:

Be ready • Be Respectful • Be Safe

The Attendance for the Week Award	YEAR 3
The Tidiest Classroom of the Week Award	RECEPTION

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Tanya Treavett  
Headteacher

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY	Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Special Census Lunch
			WNDSSP Y5/6 Sports Festival
FEBRUARY	Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	WNDSSP Y5&6 Gala
	Wednesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	FOSM Disco - details to follow
	Thursday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Open morning 9-10.30am
	Friday	16 <sup>th</sup>	School Closes for half term
MARCH	Monday	26 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens after half term
	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	WNDSSP KS2 Dodgeball
	Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
	Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	FOSM Bags2School
	Tuesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Parent's Evening
	Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Parent's Evening
	Friday	15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Nose Day •
	Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	WNDSSP Y1&2 Adapted Sports4All
	Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	School Closes for Easter Holidays
APRIL			
MAY	Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	School re-opens after holidays
	Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	BANK HOLIDAY
	Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Residential
	Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 SATs week
	Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Special Census Lunch
	Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability (2 day course)
			WNDSSP Quadkids Y4-6
	Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	School Closes for half term
JUNE	Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	School re-opens after half term
	Friday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Open afternoon & Year 6 Entrepreneur Event
			WNDSSP Y1&2 Athletics Festival
	Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
JULY	Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Y6 Production to parents (afternoon and evening)
	Thursday	4 <sup>th</sup>	WNDSSP Y6 Team Building
	Friday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Leaver's Assembly 2pm - Year 6 parents invited
	Friday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Leaver's BBQ and party @ 5-7pm (pupils only)
	Friday	19 <sup>th</sup>	School Closes for Summer Holidays

\*Dates are subject to change.

## 2023 – 2024 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### Autumn Half Term

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

### Christmas Holidays

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

### Spring Half Term

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

### Easter Holidays

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April

### Summer Half Term

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

### Summer Holidays

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

## 2024 – 2025 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

### Autumn Half Term

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

### Christmas Holidays

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January

### Spring Half Term

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

### Easter Holidays

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April


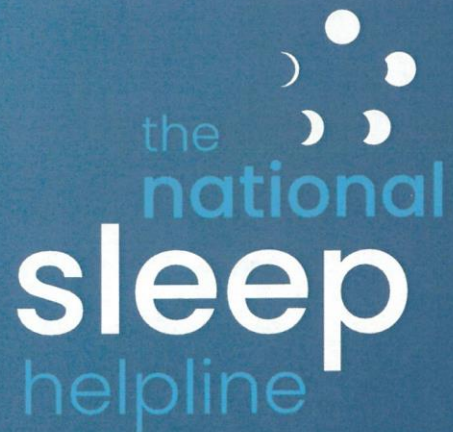
### Summer Half Term

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May

### Summer Holidays

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – TBC



A photograph of a woman and a young child sitting at a wooden table. The woman, on the left, is wearing a white knitted sweater and is looking down at a map on the table. The child, on the right, is wearing a dark blue sweater and jeans, and is looking up at the woman. The background is a dark wooden wall.

# Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle  
with your child's  
bedtime?

Will your child  
not sleep in  
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

 **03303 530 541**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm  
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am





**Around 50% of  
children will have  
a sleep issue at  
some point\***

## WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?

In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

## HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

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