



St Mary's Community Primary School Newsletter 8 November 2024

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Attendance
for the week:
97.69%

Target = 96%

We hope everyone managed to have a relaxing half term. The upcoming half term is a busy one which includes Parents Evening, Opening Morning, FOSM AGM, The Christmas Tree Trail and loads more. Please ensure you keep reading emails, text messages and other communication as we would hate for something to be missed.

AROUND THE SCHOOL:

Our Year 1 class has been learning number bonds to 10 and have been tasked to challenge their adults to see if they know their number bonds. They have also been learning about different materials eg water, wood, plastic, brick and glass in science and have been asked to take a look at home to see what materials they can identify.

Year 5 have been the first class to thoroughly enjoy using the Pickle Ball sets in PE that were donated by Starlings. Great fun and games were had by all. They have also started their new history topic - Tudors - and today were learning about King Henry VIII.

RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION - Following on from the parental consultation in January 2024, we have now moved onto teaching the full Relationships and Life Skills (also known as PSHE & RSE) Kapow scheme of work. If you would like to see what the children will be learning moving forward, please visit our school website page dedicated to Relationships Education - <https://www.beetleyschool.co.uk/relationships-and-sex-education/>. On this page, you will find information about Relationships Education at St Mary's, curriculum guides for each year group and parent guides each year group.

If you would like to see any of the resources that we will be using to teach our Relationships Education, please arrange a meeting with your child's teacher and they can show you the resources and answer any questions.

CHILDREN IN NEED: A reminder that next Friday we will be supporting Children in Need. Pupils are invited to wear non-uniform to school in exchange for £1.

PARENTS EVENING: It is planned that all allocated meeting slots will be sent to parents on/by Friday 15th.

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Our Year 6 class will be leading our Remembrance Day assembly on Monday.

We will still be selling Poppies on Monday and have the following still available:

Reflector Poppies (perfect for backpacks) - 50p

Paper poppies - 50p

Poppy stickers - 20p

EDP/DEREHAM TIMES TOKENS: Regretfully we are not collecting the Sports Equipment for Schools tokens in the newspapers this year.



WHAT
Be **SPOTACULAR** and wear
spotty dotties or any bright
colours!

WHEN & WHERE
Friday 15th November
at St Mary's

All we ask
is for a £1
donation
from each
child.



COOLER WEATHER: As the days are getting cooler, please can we ask that you ensure your child/ren bring a named coat in every day.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S

BRING IT IN DAY





Thank you to all our families that supported the Bring it in Day today.

If you would like to join the FOSM, please get in touch:
Email friendsofstmarysschool@gmail.com or private message us on Facebook.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook to keep up to date!

In celebratory assembly today, the following children were awarded certificates for the week.

STAR, DIAMOND, ANGEL & READER OF THE WEEK ENDING 8 NOVEMBER 2024

	STAR: Great progress 	DIAMOND: Great effort 	ANGEL: Excellent behaviour 	READER: 
Reception	Reuben	Diamond to follow next week		Koby
Year 1	Alex	Evelyn	Imogen	Ella
Year 2	George	Isabella	Douglas	Anna
Year 3	Zion	Milo	Alby	Joel
Year 4	Elayna	Charles	Alea	Ralph
Year 5	Morgan	Oscar	Cianna-Marie	Levon
Year 6	All of Year 6	Cruz	Tia	Paddy

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 4

The Tidiest Classroom of the Week Award

YEAR 6

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend.

Tanya Treavett

IMPORTANT DATES 2024-25

NOVEMBER

- Mon 11th FOSM Meeting in school at 7.30pm
- Fri 15th Children in Need non-uniform
- Wed 20th Parents Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm (YR - Y6)
- Thurs 21st Parents Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm (Y1 - Y6)
- Mon 25th Opening Morning - FOSM AGM & Tree Decoration Morning (8.50-10.30am)

DECEMBER

- Mon 2nd FOSM - Buy a Gift (details to follow)
 - Tues 3rd FOSM - Buy a Gift
 - Fri 6th Bring it in Day - Bottles (non-uniform)
 - Sat 7th FOSM Xmas Tree Trail
 - Tues 10th KS1 Nativity to parents (afternoon)
 - Wed 11th KS1 Nativity to parents (afternoon)
 - Thurs 19th Christmas Lunch
 - Fri 20th School closes for Christmas Holidays
- CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS: Monday 23rd - Monday 6th January (inclusive)**

JANUARY

- Tues 7th School re-opens for Spring Term
- Thurs 16th Spring Census

FEBRUARY

- Wed 12th Opening Morning (9-10.15am)
 - Fri 14th Bring it in Day - Sweets
 - School closes for half term
- SPRING HALF TERM: Monday 17th - Friday 21st February (inclusive)**
- Mon 24th School re-opens

MARCH

- Thurs 6th World Book Day
- Wed 12th Parents Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm
- Thurs 13th Parents Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm
- Fri 14th Purple Day - Fundraiser for Dereham Cancer Care

APRIL

- Fri 4th Bring it in Day - Tombola Prize
 - School closes for Easter Holidays
- EASTER HOLIDAYS: Monday 7th - Tuesday 22nd April (inclusive)**
- Wed 23rd School re-opens

MAY

- Mon 5th BANK HOLIDAY
 - Wc 12th Year 6 SATs
 - Thurs 15th Summer Census
 - Wed 21st Day 1 Level 2 Bikeability Year 6 (Group 1)
 - Thurs 22nd Day 2 Level 2 Bikeability Year 6 (Group 1)
 - Fri 23rd School closes for half term
- SUMMER HALF TERM: Monday 26th - Friday 30th May (inclusive)**

JUNE

- Mon 2nd School re-opens
- Wed 4th Y4 Residential (Wed-Fri)
- Wed 4th Day 1 Level 2 Bikeability Year 6 (Group 2)
- Thurs 5th Day 2 Level 2 Bikeability Year 6 (Group 2)
- Fri 13th Open afternoon & Y6 Entrepreneur event
- Fri 27th Sports Day & Picnic

JULY

- Thurs 10th Y6 production to parents - 2pm & 6pm
 - Mon 14th - Wed 16th **Litcham transition for Year 6 (tbc)**
 - Thurs 17th Leaver's Assembly (dependant on transition dates)
Leavers BBQ and Party
 - Fri 18th - Tues 22nd **Neatherd transition for Year 6s**
 - Tues 22nd School closes for Summer Holidays
- SUMMER HOLIDAYS: Wednesday 23rd July - Tuesday 2nd September (inclusive)**

2025 - 2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Autumn Half Term

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October

Christmas Holidays

Monday 22nd December - Monday 5th January

Spring Half Term

Monday 16th - Friday 20th February

Easter Holidays

Monday 30th March - Monday 13th April

Summer Half Term

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May

Summer Holidays

Friday 17th July - tbc

You are invited to our

AGM MEETING

OF THE

SCHOOL YEAR

WHO
Parents, Carers & grandparents

WHEN
Monday 25th November 2024
8.50am before Open Morning

WHERE
In the school hall.

✓ Hear what the Friends of St Mary's have been doing over the last 12 months to raise funds to enhance our children's education

friendsofstmarysschool@gmail.com

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BUY A GIFT

MON 2ND & TUE 3RD DECEMBER

Childrens Christmas Shopping Experience

All gifts are £2 each and children can buy as many as they wish.

Please bring cash in a named envelope with a list and shopping bag.

Friday 6th December

Bring it in Day

BRING IN A NEW UNOPENED BOTTLE OF SOMETHING

ALCOHOL/POP/BUBBLE BATH SQUASH/SHOWER GEL ETC

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Friends of St Mary's School, Beetley presents

Christmas TREE TRAIL & BAZAAR

Saturday 7th December 2024
4pm - 7pm

£3.50 per child - Map and a gift

Includes:
Tombolas | Refreshments | Games | Grotto

To book email friendsofstmarysschool@gmail.com

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