



St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery

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Please note that should you wish to receive this newsletter in a different format please ask at the school office.

This term's Christian Value is Generosity and Service

'God loves a cheerful giver'

2 Corinthians 9.7

'Serve one another in love'

Galatians 5.13



JUNE 2024

3 rd	Start of Term 6
7 th	Year 6 Lifeskills Trip
11 th	Year 4 Durdle Door Trip
12 th	New Reception Class Parents Meeting 6pm
13 th	Sports Day
14 th	Year 2 Bristol Aquarium trip
19 th & 26 th	Year 6 PCSO: Crime & Consequences Workshop
27 th	Year 6 Holborne Museum Forest of Imagination

July 2024

3 rd	Summer Fayre 3.15pm
4 th	Move-Up Morning
13 th	St Mary's Maypole Competition at MSN
17 th	Year 6 Leavers Worship 9.15am
17 th	End of Term for pupils at 2.30pm

St Mary's Stars

Little Acorns: All of our New Starters, Matilda-Rose, Mya and Elias, Lillie-Mae.

Little Oaks: Max, George T, George E, Charlie and Harry.

Class 1: Will, Maisie, Lola, Brodee and Kylo.

Class 2: Mason, Bailey, Layla, Maddie and Jessica.

Class 3: Neda, Delilah, Finley, Alfie and Effie-Mae.

Class 4: Jacob, Skye, Felicity and Connor.

Class 5: Baylee, Efa, Luvinder, Lily and Faith.

Class 6: Jade, Olivia, Deepinder, Konor and All of Class 6 for their perseverance during SATS.

Breakfast Club Achievers: Zack W

Other Achievers: Class 3 for yummy Spaghetti Bolognese.

100,000 Word Achievers: Skye

Little Acorns

This term, Little Acorns have enjoyed learning all about different animals during their 'Down in the Jungle' topic. On the last week, the children worked together to make jungle themed biscuits. Baking creates lots of learning opportunities including promoting communication and language, fine motor development and social skills. Great team work Little Acorns!





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Little Oaks



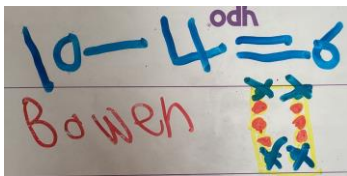
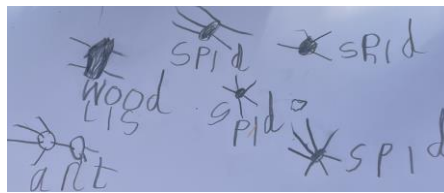
Little Oaks have been very busy dealing with all sorts of pea-based mischief in class this term. Make sure to check your freezers at home to keep the little green menace firmly locked up!

We have been busy spotting all kinds of insects and bugs, including finding two real cocoons outside in our garden- we think they might be moth pupa.

The children have been busy creating their own opportunities to learn and reinforce their counting and creating skills.



We have also been using our tens frames to find out 'how many less' in our maths sessions.



Class 1



This term, Class 1 have been learning about different sculptors and have had lots of fun making hands out of salt dough, sculptures from sugar cubes, marshmallows. We were also inspired by nature and Andy Goldsworthy.

Also, as part of our RE unit on Judaism, we made Challah bread to help us learn about how important Shabbat is to Jewish people.





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Class 2

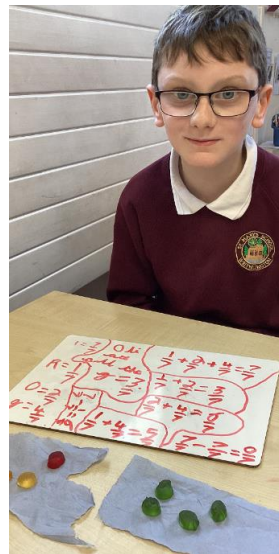


Class two have been having an amazing term! We have spent lots of time in our local area learning about human and physical geography features. We have written instructions for how to make a paper rocket and tried to follow each others instructions. We had a visit from Reverend Ian and Reverend Nathaniel to ask the "Big" questions about religion. I was very impressed by their respectful and reflective questions.



Class 3

As part of their DT project, Class 3 researched, planned and followed instructions to cook Spaghetti Bolognese. In Maths they have been learning fractions – with the help of objects and jellies!





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Class 4



Class 4 have been busy this term learning block printing with patterns to create Indian artwork.



In Music lesson children have been playing different notes on the glockenspiels, developing language, motor skills, listening skills, focusing and team work.



Class 5

In Class 5, we had the incredible privilege of welcoming acclaimed author Stewart Foster for an interactive free write session. Inspired by a prompt, we crafted an array of stories and poems, exploring our creativity under his expert guidance. We're eagerly looking forward to our next session with Stewart, where we'll further develop and refine our drafts, transforming them into polished pieces of writing.





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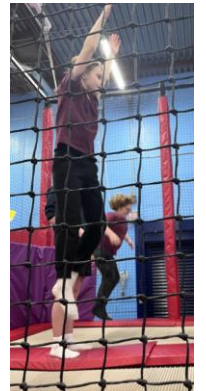
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Due to our close relationship with Writhlington School, pupils across all year groups are privileged to get the opportunity to use the fantastic facilities available to us. This term, Class 5 have been visiting on a weekly basis to receive gymnastic lessons from qualified instructors.



Class 6

This term, Year 6 have been working really hard for their SATs. We are so impressed with their perseverance and determination throughout the week - well done to them all!

They have also been working hard in ukulele sessions to learn different chords and play along to songs. We can't wait to show you what we've been working on next term at a concert - dates to be announced!



Nuts in School

Parents and caregivers being requested NOT to send food to school that contains nuts. This includes all types of nuts, peanut butter, Nutella and food containing nuts.



Lunches

Please remember lunch selections MUST be ordered by midnight Wednesdays for the following week. If you miss the cut off then it will be assumed you are providing your child with a packed lunch.



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Ready To Read

Take it outside!

Finally the weather has warmed up enough for our usually library inspired Reading Club to take some of our fabulous new books outside to enjoy!



Remember – Reading Club is open to all ages! It is wonderful to hear children coming back into class in Reception, animatedly discussing the books that they have been reading.



Wrap Around Care

We are currently working very closely with Progressive Kids to extend our provision and create a Wrap Around Care package from September 2024, providing high quality after-school childcare, based on-site. Progressive Kids are committed to delivering reliable and expert care that extends the school day with enriching and inclusive activities, which is valued and trusted by everyone involved.

Progressive Kids are currently recruiting staff for the next academic year, please follow the link below for further information:

https://uk.indeed.com/job/play-worker-a53579d1174802dc?_gl=1*z8nib1*_gcl_au*NzI0NDc5NzEzLjE3MTMyNjcyNTA.



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Flower Show

The Annual Writhlington Flower Show will be held during the summer. Please look out for the schedule of categories that will be coming out soon. As a school, we will be taking part in some categories but recommend that you, if you are able, get involved.

Book Fayre



Following the success of our Book Fayre in February, Mrs Hazelton will be running another Book Fayre Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th July, at 3.15pm daily. This will be in conjunction with Mr B's Book Emporium who donate a contribution of the sales back to the school.

Worship Warriors

The Worship Warriors delivered a wonderful worship yesterday all about British Values. It was clear they had spent a long time researching and planning the topic to deliver to the whole school. Their choice of songs (British Values rap and 'This is me') linked beautifully and the children loved it. It was so lovely hearing the whole school singing such a powerful and uplifting song together.

They gave chances for pupils to talk with their partner, share ideas, participate in a vote - to demonstrate democracy - and gave real life examples for each of the 5 British Values.

It was really well thought out.



Sports Days

Please note that St Mary's Sports Days will be in on Thursday 13th June. Parents are welcome to come and watch their child take part at the following times:



Nursery, Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 at 9:30am

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 at 1:30pm



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Leavers Worship

Parents of our fabulous Year 6 class are cordially invited to our Leavers Worship on the last day of the summer term at 9.15am, Wednesday 17th July.

As the children leave school, for the last time, at the end of the day, all of the children from the school will make an arch on the playground to say their final goodbye's. Parents, Carers and friends of the school are welcome to come and join us

New Reception Parents Meeting

We are hosting a meeting for our new Reception parents, many of whom have children attending our school Nursery, Little Acorns, on 12th June 2024 at 6pm. We look forward to meeting them and sharing all the wonderful things about St Mary's.

Hot Weather



As the weather is beginning to get warmer, we ask you to ensure all children have a water bottle and sun hat in school and have applied sun cream.

Scooters and Bikes

Please can you please ensure that your child does not ride their bike or scooter once inside the school grounds (inside the front gate) and stores it at the back of class 5 and 6. We have a number of narrow pathways and tight corners that can get busy during different times of the day and we want to make sure there are no accidents.

Thank you for your help and support with this matter.

Year 5 and 6 Residential Update.

As you are aware, we have traditionally taken Year 5 and 6 pupils on an annual residential trip. After giving the matter considerable thought (and due to the increased costs of both the residential centres and transport) we have to review our provision in order to be able to offer our pupils the very best experience.

We are currently in talks with several providers and will cascade information to parents as soon as we have heard back with confirmed costs and dates – we shall endeavour to get information out to parents when we return back after half term.



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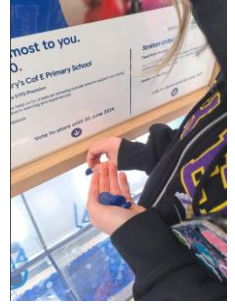
Tesco Token Scheme - only a few days left!

We are pleased to have be part of the Tesco Token Scheme to help raise funds to make improvements to our outside EYFS area.

For every transaction made at participating stores you will receive one token which can then be placed into the voting box in store.

Voting will commence in store from the first week in April 2024 until the end of June 2024 at the participating stores:

Bath Westgate Bld Exp BA1 1EB
Bath Exp BA1 1QE
Windsor Bridge Exp BA1 3DE
Bath Weston Exp BA1 4BX
Bath Englishcmb Ln Exp BA2 2ER
Bathwick Hil Bath Exp BA2 4EN
Bath Wellsway Exp BA2 4SA
Combe Down Express BA2 5RU
Peasedown St John Exp BA2 8DN
Midsomer Norton BS39 7SW



Summer Fayre Update.

SAVE THE DATE 3rd JULY, 3.15pm

Staff have been busy making initial preparations but we need your help!
Ms Lampert will be hosting a planning meeting in the school hall on Friday 7th June at 9am
EVERYONE is welcome to attend

The Summer Fayre is one of our largest fundraisers for the school and is a lovely community event but we need your help to make it happen: help setting up , clearing up, manning a stall or even if you can just help with suggestions – all help is appreciated.





Community Notices:

SATURDAY 29TH JUNE 11AM - 3PM

ELIAS' FAMILY FUNDRAISER DAY

**BOUNCY CASTLE
RAFFLE
FACE PAINTING
SPONSORED HEAD SHAVE
CAKE SALE
AND MUCH MORE...**

**RADSTOCK TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
SOUTHFIELDS RECREATION GROUND,
RADSTOCK
BA3 3NZ**

All donations will go to Elias' Family & Ocean Ward Bristol Children's Hospital

If you'd like to donate to raffle call Mark 07553189219
<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox?projector=1>

Thank You



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Knife Crime Awareness Event for Parents and Carers

The B&NES Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) has now rearranged the knife crime awareness event at Hayesfield School for 6th June 2024, starting at 6pm.

The event is aimed at parents and carers who would like to know more about the dangers of knife crime or are concerned that their children are at risk. They aim to increase awareness of key issues surrounding knife crime, empowering you and your children to make informed and positive decisions to stay safe.

You will have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers with lived experience, who have been personally affected by knife crime. There will also be a presentation by Street Doctors, followed by a panel discussion with the opportunity to ask questions.

The Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) is a multi-agency partnership that aims to prevent and reduce violence in the area. We work to understand and address the root causes of violence, to prevent further violent crimes from occurring in the future. We provide resources and support the work of professionals and community groups who help children at risk or involved in serious violence.

For queries, please email VRP_Events@bathnes.gov.uk.

Or book your ticket now on Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/copy-of-bnes-vrp-knife-crime-awareness-event-for-parents-carers-tickets-902336010297?aff=oddtcreator>



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TAKE PART OR SIMPLY COME & SUPPORT THE RADSTOCK CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY'S COMMUNITY STAGE, SHOWCASING THE VERY BEST OF OUR LOCAL TALENT!
PLUS, LOCAL STALLS, FOOD & HAVE A-GO CREATIVE WORKSHOPS DURING THE DAY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.NATURALTHEATRE.CO.UK OR EMAIL HELLO@NATURALTHEATRE.CO.UK





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Teddy Bear Hospital

Saturday 15th June at our Children's Outpatient Department B11 RUH
Morning session: 10:00 - 12:00 | Afternoon session: 13:30 - 15:30

Bring your child and their teddy to join us for a series of fun workshops to show them what we do at hospital! The workshops are suitable for all primary school aged children.

- Dental check ups
- Handwashing
- Plastering sessions
- Preparing teddy for 'surgery'
- Meeting the ambulance team
- Arts and crafts

Snacks and refreshments will be available!



Scan here to book your FREE place:



NHS
Royal United Hospitals Bath
NHS Foundation Trust



NEW PLAYERS WANTED

Holcombe are launching a new U8's team for the 24/25 season.

If you have a child currently in year 2 looking to join a family friendly club then get in touch.

Contact us
Holcombeyfc@gmail.com

Search Holcombe FC on Facebook or contact our club secretary Luke via email



EGG THEATRE YOUTH CHOIR

An inclusive, welcoming, and FREE choir for young people aged 9-18 from refugee, asylum seeker or immigrant background, or those with English as a second language

Monday 19th August – Friday 23rd August
Monday 26th August – Friday 30th August

TIMES // 10am - 12:30pm

To express your interest, refer a young person or receive further information please contact
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