



# St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery

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## Newsletter – Issue 11 – 07/06/2024

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 Truth and Truthfulness

**'Tell the truth to each other.'**

**Zechariah 8.16**

#### June 2024

- 11<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Durdle Door
- 12<sup>th</sup> Reception Class Longleat
- 12<sup>th</sup> New Reception Class parents meeting 6pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Sports Day – more details displayed in the Newsletter
- 14<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Bristol Aquarium
- 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Year 6 PSCO – Crime & Consequences Workshop
- 27<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Holbourne Museum Forest of Imagination

#### July 2024

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



### Remarkable People Day



Pupils across all year groups took part in our Remarkable People Day on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

Children were inspired by hearing stories and learning about the lives of people throughout history who have had a significant impact in the world.





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As part of our Remarkable People Day, Class 5 learned about Emmeline Pankhurst, a key figure in the suffragette movement. We read about her life and her role in founding the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU), which was crucial for women's voting rights. We created a timeline highlighting significant events and actions by the WSPU and their impact on the suffragette movement.

We reflected on how this period shaped our current voting system and connected it to our writing unit on debates, discussing the importance of having a voice and peaceful protest. As a class, we made banners to "peacefully" protest our debating motion, "Should all schools have therapy dogs?" during the KS1 break, experiencing advocacy and peaceful protest firsthand.

After the protest, we turned our classroom into a parliamentary room for a formal debate on the topic. This setup allowed everyone's opinions and arguments to be heard and considered, deepening our appreciation for democratic processes and effective communication.

### Forest School

As a school we have close links with Wiltshire Outdoor Learning (WOLT), a Christian organisation experienced in delivering outdoor learning activities. Pupils from St Mary's have been enjoying outdoor learning with the WOLT team, such as bush craft, camp fire cooking, den building and survival skills – developing confidence, communication, emotional well being and problem solving skills.







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### Lifeskills

Year 6 pupils enjoyed a memorable day at The Lifeskills Centre in Bristol where they took part in activities based on realistic scenarios.



Pupils learn how to deal with real life dangerous situations and risk management in a safe and controlled environment, built as a realistic village complete with roads, shops, railway line and houses. Activities range from everyday situations such as shopping and crossing the road to dealing with first aid incidents, phoning for

emergency services, stranger danger, crossing a railway line and even a house fire.



### Sports Days

Please note that St Mary's Sports Day will be in on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 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**

Should the weather affect our sports day plans we will let parents know on Wednesday.

### Updated Permissions and Consents

As you are aware, we recently sent out new permission and consents forms to pupils in **ALL** year groups, to take effect from the start of Term 6.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their completed form. Please note, if you have not yet returned your form then your child may be asked to step aside when photographs are taken.



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### Uniform

Please ensure pupils come to school in the correct school uniform and footwear.

We have a selection of second hand uniform available in exchange for a small donation to PTA funds – please contact the school should you wish to purchase any.

If you have any uniform or school wear in good condition that your child has grown out of, we would be grateful for donations.

### Lunches

We are experiencing an increasing number of parents forgetting to order their child's lunch by midnight Wednesday for the following week. Although we are able to assist you in emergencies, we are unable to view every pupil's Parent Pay account to check if they have ordered and phone large numbers of parents in time to add a last minute selection.

**PLEASE** ensure you have placed your order on time, if you have not placed an order it will be assumed you are providing a packed lunch and may receive a telephone call asking you to bring one into school by lunchtime.

If you are experiencing difficulties using the ordering system please contact Mrs Jenkins in the school office.

### Community Notices:

*(We bring these to your attention, without necessarily recommending them)*

The image contains two posters. The left poster is for 'Finding Nemo Jr.' presented by Merriman Junior Company. It features the Disney Pixar logo and the title 'FINDING NEMO JR.' in large white letters on a blue background. Below the title, it says 'Music and Lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez & Robert Lopez', 'Book Adapted by Lindsay Anderson', and 'Music and Orchestration Adapted and Arranged by Myrta Conn'. The performance date is 'SATURDAY 15 JUNE' at Somervale School. The right poster is for 'SUMMER SUNDAYS IN BATH' with a 'WHAT'S ON' section. It lists events for July and August 2024, including 'FREE CHARITY POP-UPS', 'FREE ARTS AND CRAFTS - MR DOODLE', 'MUSEUM LATE OPENINGS - LIVE MUSIC', 'GARDEN THEATRE FESTIVAL', 'BATH INDEPENDENT MARKET', 'BATH ON THE BEACH - BATH OLYMPICS', 'BATH VINTAGE & ANTIQUES MARKET', 'BIODIVERSITY BENCHES', 'FREE ARTS AND CRAFTS - LIVE MUSIC', 'MUSEUM LATE OPENINGS', 'BATH ON THE BEACH - TREE WALK', 'BATH VINTAGE & ANTIQUES MARKET', 'WALK DOG WALK - MR DOODLE', 'BATH CITY ZIPLINE', and 'BIODIVERSITY BENCHES'. It also mentions 'EVERY SUNDAY SOMETHING DIFFERENT!' and 'SUPPORTING LOCAL CHARITIES' like 'BATH IN BLOOM', 'JULIAN HOUSE - SHARPS AND REPAIR', 'TRANSITION BATH', and 'BATH ASTRONOMERS - BATH CATS AND DOGS HOME'. A QR code is provided for more events.

### Midsomer Norton Library

#### Nature Trail for Kids

Mon - Sat During opening hours 10 - 15 June

#### Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Monday 11.00 - 11.30am 20 May

#### Centenary Storytime: The Very Hungry Caterpillar & Where the Wild Things Are

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 22 May

#### Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

#### Board Game Saturdays

Saturday 10.00 - 12.30pm 25 May

The poster is for 'the Wonderweeds Storytime' at Bath Central Library. It features the title 'the Wonderweeds Storytime' in a stylized font with 'Storytime' in a smaller font. Below the title, it says 'Join us for a special interactive storytelling of 'The Wonderweeds'. Author Claire Brown will bring the weed characters to life, opening our eyes to the wonders of weeds and wildlife. Suitable for parents/carers with children.' The event is at Bath Central Library on Saturday 8 June, 10.30 - 11.00am. The poster includes an illustration of a stack of books and a QR code. At the bottom, it mentions 'Somerset Council' and 'Festival Of Nature, 1 - 9 June, is the UK's largest free celebration of the natural world.' and 'Improving People's Lives'.