

# St. Mary's Mail



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Bi- Weekly News from St.Mary's

Dates for the Diary

Two weeks in and the summer holidays seem like a distant memory.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new families in reception and those that have joined us from other schools.

Each term we promote one of our 12 school values. This term we will be focusing on Respect and am pleased to say that we have been seeing some excellent examples of children showing respect to one another and to the adults in school.

We would like the children to give a little more attention to showing respect to the school buildings and the resources we have. This includes tidying up. We would really like to see children picking things up from the floor even if they weren't the ones to drop them—we thought you might want to promote this at home too!

We are looking forward to having a super tidy school this term.

*Mrs Bethan Scriven*

## Welcome back Year 6

The children in year 6 have had a fantastic time at the residential trip this week. They have been canoeing, climbing, been orienteering, tunnelling had a tour of Clearwell Caves...the list goes on!

Once again we are incredibly impressed with how resilient the children have been and their openness to trying new things. The children's behaviour and attitudes were exemplary—we were very proud of them!

Thank you to Mr Higginson, Miss McCrudden, Mrs Silverthorn, Mrs Evans and Mrs Lane for supporting the children this week.



## Clubs

This week you would have received a letter regarding clubs with information on how you can sign up. Please make sure you have you completed and handed the form into the office. I would express my gratitude to the members of staff who have been able to offer a club this term as I appreciate this is an additional commitment on top of a already busy workload.

All clubs will start week commencing 18th. All clubs will run until 4:15

**Monday** -KS2 Choir -Mrs Lane and Mrs Ridd- in the Hall

KS2 Loom Bands -Mrs Oakley -in Sycamore Class

KS2 Science CREST Award Club-Mrs Evans-in Maple Class

**Tuesday** Y6 Embroidery -Mrs Stone -in The Hub

Y4/Y5 Embroidery-Mrs Silverthorn -in Ash Class

**Thursday** -KS2 Netball -Miss Wilkes-on the KS2 playground

### Other providers at a cost:

**Monday**-KS2 Art Club with Mrs Morris

**Tuesday** -Bristol Sport Foundation -Y1/2 Gymnastics in the Hall,

Bristol Sport Foundation-Y3-Y6 Football outside,

**Wednesday**-Bristol Sport Foundation-Y1/2 and Y3-Y6 Basketball in the Hall ,

**Wednesday**-KS1 Art Club with Mrs Morris . Currently full

**Thursday**-Bristol Sport Foundation Y1/2 and Y3-Y6 Tennis outside ,

**Thursday**-KS2 Art Club with Mrs Morris 3.15pm-4.15pm currently full

**Friday**-Dance and Drama Y2-Y6 with Mrs Tina Milton 3.15pm-4.15pm, in the Hall , spaces available , call 07876252287

In addition to the above Mr Higginson will be running a lunchtime Football Club and the details will follow next week .

23rd-27th Oct	Half term
27th Nov	INSET
7th & 8th Nov	Parents Evening
7th Nov	Reception class trip
16th Nov	Y3/4 class trip
29th Nov 3pm	Curriculum Showcase
6th & 7th Decem-ber	KS1 Nativity

## Office

Please bare with us as we are temporarily running with a reduced team in the office. It may take a little longer than usual to respond to your requests .

## Teaching in Partnership

At St Mary's, we are incredibly lucky to have highly skilled adults working in class to support children's learning and development .

Each class has a teacher (or job-share teachers) and are often supported by several other adults who have historically been called Teaching Assistants. Whilst teachers hold ultimate responsibility, it is important that we recognise the important role of the supporting adults and the fact that their work goes much further than 'assisting' the teacher. As such, supporting adults will now be called **Teaching Partners** at St Marys.

## Excel Daily

Well done to the following children who have recently received certificates :

Stella P, Avery H, Henry S, Leo H, Charlie D, Nellie M, Roman S, Reecie B, Jessica B, George B, Summer S, Arthur M, Finley T, Sienna H-R, Harper L, Archie J.

