

# St. Mary's Mail



Date: February 24th 2023

Bi- Weekly News from St.Mary's

## Dates for the Diary

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| Mon 27th Feb                         | World Book week — Dress up day      |
| Wed 1st Mar                          | Book at Bedtime                     |
| Thurs 2nd Mar                        | Strike Action                       |
| Wed 8th Mar 3.25-7.00pm              | Parents Evening—in person           |
| Thurs 9th Mar 3.25-5.20pm            | Parents Evening—Virtual             |
| Fri 17th Mar                         | INSET Day                           |
| Fri 24th Mar 6.30pm                  | Family Fun Night                    |
| Tues 28th & Wed 29th Mar (afternoon) | Yr 3/4 Easter Performance           |
| Wed 29th Mar 3PM                     | Curriculum Showcase                 |
| Mon 1st May                          | School closed (Bank Holiday)        |
| Wed 3rd May                          | Y6 Leavers photos/Class photos      |
| Mon 8th May                          | School closed (King's Coronation)   |
| 9-12th May                           | Y6 SATS                             |
| Wed 10th—Fri 12th May                | Y4 Greatwood Residential            |
| Wed 21st June                        | KS2 Sports Day AM/KS1 Sports Day PM |
| Wed 28th June                        | Reserve sports day                  |

## Welcome back to term 4. Our Value this term is Trust.

### Mobile Phones in School

Children should only have mobile phones in school if they are walking to or from school unaccompanied.

If a child has a phone in school, it should be switched off and handed to the teacher as soon as they enter the classroom. It will be returned to them at the end of the day but should not be used until they are off site.

If parents need to get a message to children before they leave the premises this must be done via the school office.

Teachers store phones as a safeguarding precaution but ultimately the school cannot be held responsible for phones brought into school.

Please note that only children in Year 5 and 6 are able to walk home unaccompanied and this is on the understanding that there is someone at home to greet them.

### Teacher Strikes

All indications suggest that the National teachers strike will take place next Thursday.

At this time I can confirm that the following classes will be **OPEN**:

Lemon  
Lime  
Cherry  
Beech  
Ash  
Sycamore

We will provide a further update on Monday.

### Times Tables Rocakstars

We are pleased to see an increase in children engaging in TTRS at the moment, this will have a significant impact on their maths work. TTRS recommend that children play for a minimum 4 minutes a day in order to see the biggest impact. Children should know their log in details (speak to your class teacher if this isn't the case) and they can use any device with internet access.

### Book Week

We love reading here at St Mary's so are really looking forward to books week next week.

There will be various book-based activities happening in class throughout the week as well as these special activities:

#### Book Fair

The book fair will be open in the Hub every day after school. Any commission earned will be spent on new books for classrooms.

#### Character Dress Up

We will be dressing up as our favourite book characters on Monday.

#### Bedtime Story

Children are invited to return to school in their PJs on Wednesday at 5:30pm to enjoy a bedtime story. Please ensure reply all slips are returned before 3pm on Monday.

#### Reading Partners

Children will be partnering up with other classes to enjoy stories together.

#### Library Visit

Key Stage two children will be visiting the library.

## Excel Daily

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

Theo M, Henry S, Cooper D, Sophie M, Reece H, Ryan C, George W, William N, Elizabeth H, Peter R, Alex J, Jaxson, Darby, Maria, Theo L, Reecie B, Daisy, George B, Alex C, Paige W, isla T, Jack M, Archie J, Emelia, Elizabeth B, Max R, Lucie A, Joshua K, Robyn, Cassie G, Holly S, Millie L, Marley, Teddy, Chloe R, Theia, Keira J, Bea, Lexie E, Tyler O'B, Sophia M, Lily P, Kyla E, Cody, Danielle, Daniel S, Harrison F & Oliver M.



THE FRIEND'S OF ST MARY'S

FRIDAY 24TH MARCH

6:00-9:00PM

*Family*

**FUN**

**NIGHT**

**GAMES/BINGO/DISCO**

**BAR & TUCK SHOP**

*£5.00 per family*

**TICKETS TO BE PRE-PURCHASED FROM THE  
SCHOOL OFFICE**