

# St. Mary's Mail



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St Mary's during Lockdown

Welcome back to term 5! We have been back in school for two weeks now but this is the first time I have had the opportunity to write to you.

The children have settled back to their learning remarkably well following the Easter break and the teachers have relished the opportunity to start a new term relatively normally!

Across the school this term our connected curriculum follows the theme Global Neighbours. Our oldest learners will be considering the question 'Can trade be a force for good?'. They will be looking at the impact of trade across the world with a focus on China and the silk trade.

In years 3 and 4 the children will be asking 'What will our footprint be?'. They have been learning about dinosaurs and what led to their extinction and will move on to exploring the human impact on birds– the 6th extinction.

Year 1 and 2's key question is 'Why go exploring?' They will learn about Brunel and the impact his work had on Bristol's landscape and look at the impact his inventions had on exploration.

You can find out more about how the National Curriculum links to these topics by clicking on the 'Our Classes' tab on the website and opening the class' Curriculum map.

We are in for an exciting term and we hope your children tell you all about it at home.

## Attendance

Having had such a disruptive year it is even more important that the children are in school. Please do not book holidays during term time.

As a school we have reviewed the core objectives and have developed a programme of study that will ensure that children are supported appropriately through terms 5 and 6 so that they are ready to transition to their next year group.

Time off school at this stage could be detrimental to children's progress.

As with any other year unauthorised time from school for a period of more than 5 days will result in a penalty notice issued by the local authority.



Well done to Ash class as you have been most active on TTRS this week! Multiplication tables are a fundamental part of children's maths development. The best way to commit these facts to the long term memory is through repetition so please support your child in daily practice. Remember TTRS and Spelling Frame form part of your weekly homework so make sure you login and join the fun next week and lets see who is Top of the Rocks.

## Spelling frame

## Class & Year 6 Photos

On Tuesday 4th May Colorfoto will be in school to take class photo's and the year 6 leaver photo's.

## Excel Daily!

We continue to have our weekly celebration assembly each Friday. Well done to the following children who have recently received certificates:

Declan W, Jenson B, Alfie G, Miah V, Sammy S, Autumn R, Cassie G, Faith L, Maggie S, Arthur M, Luke W, Joseph T, Anna S, Edward G, Anya L-C, Lochlain O'R, Charlie W, Jasmine-Mei S, Jamie C, Drew B, Roxy A, Riley H, Josh W, Charlie H, Christopher L, Ewan G, Theo L, Nevaeh E, Megan R, Harvey S, Hugh S, Kyla E, Elliott B, Amy B, Flynn S, Oliver B, Darcey A, Olivia B, Juddy H, Lexi M, Isla T, Isaac B, Ethan K, Arabella A, Sofia D, Darcy O, Charlie S and Ethan S.

