

St. Mary's Mail



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Bi- Weekly News from St.Mary's

Dates for the Diary

Well we certainly had a busy last week of term 1 with the book fair, individual photos, a cake sale, a tour and information evening for the 2024 reception starters, Y2's baking session with Hobbs, the Harvest assembly and of course our little visit from Ofsted!

I want say a big thank you for everyone who engaged with the inspectors whether that was via the survey or through a meeting. I have also thanked the children as they spoke so clearly and confidently when meeting with our visitors. We look forward to receiving feedback from this visit in the coming weeks.

7th & 8th Nov	Parents Evening
7th Nov	Reception class trip
16th Nov	Y3/4 class trip
21st Nov 7.30pm	Reception 2024 Virtual information meeting
27th Nov	INSET
29th Nov 9.30am	Reception 2024 School Tours
29th Nov 3pm	Curriculum Showcase
6th Dec	SEN Coffee Morning
6th & 7th Dec	KS1 Nativity
13th Dec 9:00am	Whole school carol singing at shopping centre
13th Dec	Christmas Lunch
13th Dec 2:00pm	Reception Nativity
18th Dec-1st Jan	Christmas Holiday

Children in Need

Once again we will be supporting Children in Need this year. On Friday 17th November children are invited to attend school in their pyjamas, spots or in CiN merchandise. We ask that families make a £1 donation via the QR code or by bringing cash to school on the day. We understand that the website can only take a minimum donation of £2.



With Bonfire Night celebrations taking place this weekend, we wanted to share some safety information. Please scan the QR code to find out more and to watch the video with your child.

THE FIREWORK CODE

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE

Do not buy fireworks from UNLICENCED retailers. These fireworks may be unsafe and illegal.

Only buy fireworks that comply with current safety standards.

Always keep fireworks in a closed box.

Take them out one at a time and close the box.

Never put fireworks in your pocket.

Be considerate. Let your neighbours know you will be having a display, especially if they are elderly or they have pets or children.

Avoid setting fireworks off late at night, particularly if it is a school-night.

Ensure your pets are safe.

Carefully follow the instructions on EACH firework.

Never go back to a lit firework unless the instructions advise otherwise.

Never throw fireworks; it is dangerous.

Light fireworks one at a time, at the end of the fuse, and at arm's length.

Light sparklers one at a time and wear suitable gloves, even when lighting them.

Never give sparklers to a child under the age of 5.

Never throw spent fireworks on a bonfire.



Calling all (budding) Garden Designers!

As we move to the next phase of our play plan, we want to plant out areas of the field to create different zones for adventure of as social spaces. We would welcome any support from experienced or enthusiastic garden designers. If this if you, make yourself known to the



Showcase of Identity & Diversity



We look forward to welcoming you to our curriculum showcase on Wednesday **29th November**. Gates will open **at 3pm** and families will be encouraged to explore the displays and look at work in classrooms.

Working Party



Save the Date

Mrs Jones is looking for volunteers to tidy and develop the pond and garden area on Saturday 18th November between 10:00-11:30am. Please let the office know if you if you can come along.

Excel Daily

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

John R, Elena B, Freya Q, Mila G, Reegun M, Daisy W, Noah R, Blue-Ivy, Peter R, Ivy W, Caoimhe H, George W, Artemia, Harrison P, Mila Ma, Tommy S, Sam M, Emily L, Mollie S, Indie L, Lucy F. Leonie B, Darcie H, Poppy S, Lily F, Darcey A, Millie L, Summer B-C, Toby S, Austin S, Solly, Dakota, Daniel R, Jack M, Emerson N, Martha D, Amelia J, Olivia Ea, Alfie P, Robert C, Erin B, Holly S, Max C, Emelia W, Keira S, Edward G & Max R.

