

St. Mary's Mail



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Dates for the Diary

24 & 31 Jan 2022	Y5/6 workshops at the Heritage Centre
31 Jan 2022	Flu vaccinations
1 Feb 2022	Y1/2 Trip to Noah's Ark
18 Feb 2022	Last day of term
28 Feb 2022	Start of term 4
W/C 7 Mar 2022	Parent's Evenings
14 Mar 2022	INSET day
28 Mar 3pm	Planned Curriculum Showcase
27 May 2022	INSET day

Happy New Year to you all! We hope that you have had a lovely break over Christmas and managed to spend some precious time with your loved ones.

With national Covid case numbers in flux, we continue to follow the government and local authority guidance closely and have once again reviewed our procedures in school. We aim for any adjustments we make to have limited impact on the children's experience in school. We continue to have separate key stage assemblies which has been the arrangement since our return to school in September. Hopefully we will be able to have whole school gatherings in the Spring.

We will aim to write to you more specifically about our currently arrangements once we have more information regarding the changes to testing which will come into force next week.

As previously communicated, if you are in school to meet with a member of staff or help in a classroom, please take a Lateral Flow test before hand and remember to wear a mask when moving around the school.

Bethan Scriven

KS1 Nativity

Well done to all the children in KS1 for two fantastic performances of the Nativity. We were so pleased to be able to welcome family members into school so see the shows. Thank you for your kind contributions to the collection we raised £164.84 which has been split equally between "Care in Bristol" and "Help Bristol's homeless"



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Miss Norman who is expecting her first child in May. Miss Norman is known by all of the children at St Mary's as she works right across the school covering teacher's planning time and leading various interventions. Miss Norman will continue in her role up until Easter.

Congratulations also to Mr and Mrs Bright who welcomed into the world a happy and healthy little boy.

Attendance

School attendance remains steady at 96% which is slightly below our school target.

Well done to year 5 who continue to lead the way in terms of attendance, Year 2 are still the most punctual year group!

School Census

Thursday 20th January is the school census day, we would like to encourage as many Reception and KS1 children as possible to order a school lunch on this day as each meal taken equates to universal free school meals funding for the school. The more meals ordered the greater amount of money the school will receive.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Connected Curriculum

During the last INSET day, teachers worked closely with their colleagues at St Helen's to plan the topic learning for terms 3 and 4. The whole school theme across the next two terms is **Social Justice**.

Attached to this newsletter you will find an overview of learning for the whole school. More detailed curriculum overviews for year groups will be on the school website by the end of next week.

We will aim to share as much as possible on our class Dojo pages which will help you in talking to your child about their learning in school.

Excel Daily!

We continue to have our celebration assemblies every Friday. Well done to the following children who have recently received certificates.

Tayton A, Joseph T, Zak F, Madeline B, Sam M, Levi B, Ryan C, Mia W, Connor R, Lucie A, Alex J, Casey B, Faith P, Amelia L, Bobby J, Jade B, Rhys J, Carmen C, Logan E, Harumi J, Sophie F & Darcie H.

