

St. Mary's Easter Mail



Friday 18th June 2026

Bi-weekly Newsletter

Dates for your diary

This week, we were delighted to welcome Andrew Moffat, founder of *No Outsiders*, to St Mary's. Andrew spent the day leading workshops with children across the school before delivering staff training after school.

The message at the heart of *No Outsiders* links beautifully with both our Christian vision and our school values. At St Mary's, we believe that every child is unique, valued and loved. Psalm 139 reminds us that we are all "fearfully and wonderfully made", and Andrew's workshops encouraged children to think deeply about identity, belonging, diversity and inclusion. They explored the idea that our differences should be celebrated and that everyone has the right to feel accepted and valued. Simply put, there are no outsiders at St Mary's – we all belong.

This work reflects many of the values we seek to nurture in our children, particularly friendship, truthfulness and trust. Children listened respectfully to different viewpoints, shared their own thoughts with confidence and demonstrated a genuine appreciation for one another.

I was incredibly proud of the maturity and thoughtfulness shown throughout the day. The discussions were insightful, respectful and demonstrated the caring culture that we work hard to create.

We look forward to sharing more about this work with families in the Autumn Term as we continue to develop this important aspect of our curriculum and school community. *Bethan Scriven*

June	
Fri 19 th am	KS2 Sports Day
Fri 19 th 1pm-2pm	KS1 Sports Day
Fri 19 th 2pm-3pm	EYFS Sports Day
Mon 22 nd	Mufti Day for Summer Fair
24 th /26 th /30 th	Yr5/6 We the Curious
July	
Saturday 4 th	Summer Fair/Tuckfield
Tuesday 7 th	Yr5/6 Performance PM
Weds 8 th 2:30pm	EYFS Celebration Assembly
Thursday 9 th	Yr 5/6 Performance AM
Friday 10 th	Leavers Disco
Monday 13 th	Rocksteady performance
Tuesday 14 th	Rocksteady performance
Tuesday 14 th	Yr6 Mojo Active
Friday 17 th	Leavers Service AM
Friday 17 th	Last day of term
Monday 20 th	INSET DAY
Tuesday 21 st	INSET DAY

Well done to the following students who have received a certificate in the last few weeks

Kyanne, Neevie, Maisie, Isabella G, Piper B, Amber, Pippa, Mila G, All of Year 1, Tino, All of Ash, Blue-Ivy, Stella, Alex J, Charlie N, Martha D, Maggie, Indianna, Solly, Mark and Ewan



Can You Help?

We have a busy and exciting few weeks ahead, with three special events planned for our children and we're looking for volunteers to help with various tasks. Whether you can spare a little time or a lot, we'd be so grateful for your support.

To make volunteering as easy as possible, the sign-up slots are in **30-minute blocks**, so even if you only have half an hour to spare, your help would make a real difference. Every slot filled helps us ensure these events run smoothly and can be enjoyed by all. These events create wonderful memories for our children and can only happen with the support of our fantastic school community. If you're able to help, please sign up using the links below. Thank you for your support - every helping hand, no matter how small, is hugely appreciated.

Leavers' Disco - Friday 11th July [Leavers Disco Sign Up](#)

Tuckfield Tournament - Saturday 4th July 9:00am [Tuckfield Sign Up](#)

Summer Fair - Saturday 4th July 12:00pm [Summer Fair Sign Up](#)

SCHOOL MUFTI DAY!
Monday 22nd June

Reception, Y1 & Y2
to bring in sweets

Years 3 - 6
to bring in a bottle (of anything)*

*it must be in date and unopened

2026/2027 Term Dates

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Start 1 st September End 23 rd October INSET 1 st September	Start 2 nd November End 18 th December INSET 22 nd October INSET 23 rd October	Start 4 th January End 12 th February	Start 22 nd February End 25 th March	Start 12 th April End 28 th May	Start 7 th June End 21 st July INSET 25 th June INSET 28 th June

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DONATE YOUR UNWANTED TOYS!

Give a toy a new home and make another child smile!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF:



SOFT TOYS



GAMES



PUZZLES



CRAFTS



PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS ARE:
COMPLETE (ALL PIECES) • IN GOOD CONDITION
• CLEAN AND READY TO BE LOVED AGAIN!



PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO HAND IN ON

MUFTI DAY

MONDAY 22ND JUNE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND SUPPORT!



WINTERBOURNE MEDIEVAL DAY 2026



Sunday 28th June | 11am - 4pm

Early Bird: £1/£5 (Ends 21st June)

Join us for a day of Medieval festivities including **combat displays, have-a-go archery, wandering jesters, a living history village, games, and medieval-themed craft stalls, food and live music** on our **genuine medieval site**.

Free parking and shuttle bus provided at Winterbourne Academy

Visit winterbournebarn.org.uk for full details and tickets



SUNSHINE ART ACADEMY

Summer Art Workshops!

CREATE • EXPLORE • HAVE FUN!

Join us for exciting, hands-on art workshops where creativity comes to life!

WORKSHOP 1

Monday
27th July

🕒 1:00pm – 3:00pm



WORKSHOP 2

Monday
17th August

🕒 1:00pm – 3:00pm



ONLY
£18
PER SESSION

KIDS WILL...



FOR AGES 7-14



EXPLORE THEIR CREATIVITY

Through fun and
inspiring art projects



LEARN NEW SKILLS & TECHNIQUES

Develop artistic skills
in a supportive space



BUILD CONFIDENCE & EXPRESS THEMSELVES

Boost imagination and
self-expression



VENUE: ARMADILLO YOUTH CENTRE, YATE

Spots are limited – book your place today!

Enquiries



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SUNSHINE ART ACADEMY

Kids Art Classes

At Sunshine, our sessions are built on the perfect balance of serious skill-building and serious fun!

THE LITTLE CREATORS

AGES 5-8



Explore, create and build confidence in a fun and supportive space.



Every Monday
(term time)



4:30 – 5:20pm



Venue: Armadillo Youth Centre

THE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

AGES 9-14



Developing technique & personal style. For older children ready to level up.



Every Monday
(term time)



5:30 – 6:30pm



Venue: Armadillo Youth Centre



TWO GROUPS. ONE CREATIVE COMMUNITY.



Inspiring confidence, creativity and self-expression through art.



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