

St. Mary's Mail



Friday 21st November 2025

Bi-weekly Newsletter

Dates for your diary

Over the past few weeks, St Mary's has been full of activity and community spirit. We marked Anti-Bullying Week with meaningful discussions and activities that reinforced the importance of kindness across the school. Our Children in Need fundraiser was also a fantastic success - the pupils looked particularly comfortable in their pyjamas. In addition, we were delighted to welcome parents to our recent information evening, where we shared details about the school's journey toward joining the Severn Federation Academy Trust. We look forward to sharing more updates as this exciting development progresses. Thank you for your continued support.

Bethan Scriven

BEAMAZING!

Christmas Jumper Day

On **Wednesday 17th December** we invite children to wear a Christmas jumper along with their school uniform for the Christmas lunch



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

Noah D, Declan L, Violet, Elora, Grace J, Chester S, Kasey, Charlie E, Lily E, Oliver Bab, Whole of Ash Class, Ini, Amy, Tommy S, Hugo, Connor, Louis L, Harry T, Indy, Jess B, Danny, Daryna, Maya, Jack T, Silvie, Jensen, Alice, Jack, Poppy G, Marnie, Zach M, Remi H, Isla-Rose, Dexter, Nina, Hridha, Koda, Maria G, Summer T, Amelia L, Jack, Oliver H, Roman & Darcey A

EXPLORE. ENJOY. EXCEL. BEAMAZING!

Christmas Fair Prep

Mufti Day – Friday 28th November

We will be holding a **Mufti Day on Friday 28th November**. Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for a donation towards our upcoming Christmas Fair.

Reception/KS1: Please bring **chocolates** or **sweets**

KS2: Please bring a **bottle** (sealed bottles - drinks, toiletries, etc)

Cakes and Jolly Jars Donations – From 1st December

We will be collecting **cakes** and **Jolly Jars** during the week commencing **1st December** for our up-and-coming Christmas Fair. Jars of any size, filled with small items – toys, sweets, stickers etc



Thank you so much for your support!
Your donations are hugely appreciated and help make our school event a success.



FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S

Christmas FAIR

5TH DECEMBER
FROM 3.15PM TO 5 PM

WILL BE OPENED BY THE SCHOOL CHOIR

GAMES, TUCK & REFRESHMENTS.

RAFFLE PRIZES INCLUDE
VOUCHERS FROM
GOOD TIMES (EMELI SANDE),
OPULENCE, PLAYSHED & ANTICA
ROMA AND HAMPERS FROM
TESCO & MORRISONS

RETURN OF ELFRIDGES
LET YOUR CHILD CHOOSE FROM A SELECTION OF WRAPPED GIFTS TO GIVE TO FAMILY
CHILDREN CHOOSE ITEMS. POP THEM IN A GIFT BAG AND WRITE OUT A TAG ALL IN SECRET

CASH ONLY

Term Dates

Term 2

Start: Mon 3rd November
End: Fri 19th December

Term 3

Start: Mon 5th January
End: Fri 13th February

Term 4

Start: Mon 23rd February
End: Thurs 2nd April
Inset: Mon 23rd March

Term 5

Start: Mon 20th April
End: Fri 22nd May

Term 6

Start: Mon 1st June
End: Tues 21st July
Inset: Mon 20th July
Tues 21st July

Notice Board



WINTER GLOW

At Yate Heritage Centre

WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER

6:30 PM TO 8:30 PM

Join Yate Heritage Centre for an evening of music and singing, sweet treats, and the illuminating Christmas Dubs!

FREE ENTRY

Follow us @ Yate Town Council, Yate Heritage Centre, Church Road, Yate, BS37 5BG, info@yateheritage.co.uk 01454 862200

Christmas Dubs

ST MARY'S SCHOOL YATE

YHC ON TOUR

December 6 10:00 - 14:00

CELEBRATORY ARTS & CRAFTS

Join us this Saturday at the Armadillo Youth Cafe for some free activities and crafts this winter. We will be creating lanterns to brighten this holiday season!

Follow us @ Yate Town Council, Church Road, Yate BS37 5BG 01454 862200, info@yateheritage.co.uk, yatetowncouncil.gov.uk

Yate Town Council

ACCREDITED MUSEUM

WEST OF ENGLAND MUSIC AND ARTS

A musical treat for the festive season!

Holiday Singing Days

Two fun and engaging singing days during the Christmas Holidays. One for children in years 3-6, and one for those in years 7 upwards. With WEMA musician, composer and conductor Joe Galuszka.

Monday 22 December: KS2 Singing Day
Tuesday 23 December: Secondary Singing Day

More Information:
wema.org.uk/music-activities-and-workshops

Volunteer Police Cadets

Recruiting now for volunteer CADET LEADERS

IN SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Do you have a **sense of adventure**?

Could you **make a difference** to a young person's life?

You don't need policing experience to volunteer. Our police cadets are supported by a fantastic team of volunteer adult leaders, who have different backgrounds and a diverse range of skills and experiences.

Based in Patchway or the surrounding area, they give a few hours of their time each week, to support our cadets as they learn about policing, participate in fun activities and attend community events.

Find out more or apply
If you're motivated, creative and looking for a new opportunity, scan the QR code to find out more or search 'Volunteering opportunities' on our website:
www.avonandsomerset.police.uk