

# St. Mary's Mail



Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Bi-weekly Newsletter

Dates for your diary

As we come to the end of the academic year, I am filled with pride and gratitude for our children. This year has been a testament to their hard work, resilience and creativity, and it has been a joy to witness their growth and achievements throughout the year.

This week, our Year 5 and 6 pupils dazzled us with their performance of "Hoodwinked." Their dedication, talent, and enthusiasm shone through, making it a performance to remember.

A big thank you to the staff who worked so hard to bring this production to life and to the parents for their support.

We also celebrated our youngest learners during the EYFS celebration. It was a joy to witness their excitement and pride as they showcased their progress, achievements and hopes for the future.

Additionally, we had the first of our Rock Steady concerts, where our pupils showcased their musical talents. The energy and passion displayed by our young musicians were inspiring. We were mesmerised by the performance and really impressed with the progress they've made in such a short time and we are excited for the next concert on Monday.

Looking ahead to next week, we will be saying goodbye to our Year 6 children as they prepare to transition to their next adventures. While we will miss them dearly, we are excited for all the opportunities that lie ahead for them.

As we wrap up this school year, I want to extend my gratitude to all of you for your support and involvement in our school community. Together, we have made this year a successful one, filled with exploration, enjoyment, and excellence.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer break!

*Bethan Scriven*



July	
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Rocksteady Concert 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Yr 6 Leavers Trip – Mojo Active
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Inset Day
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Inset Day
September	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Inset Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	First day of term
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Residential - Deanfield

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

Sophie B, Poppy B, Bella G, Grace J, Eddie B, Miles, Ethan, Blue-Ivy, Zac W, Whole of Pear class, Michael C, Penny, Mark, Tino, Alex C, Tilly, Jack M, Freddie Wo, Toby B, Arthur M, George Wo, Sophie B, James, Remi H, Artemia, Hamish, Perrie, Reegun, Maison, Freya Q, Harrison C, William N, Daisie, Hridha, Max Re, Amelia E, Emily L, Riley W and All of Year 5 and year 6!

## Good Luck, Mrs Timms!

We would like to extend our warmest wishes to Mrs Timms as she prepares to welcome her baby this September! We are so excited for you!



## Muller House Celebration

Congratulations to Muller House for winning this term's house competition! As a reward, all Muller House pupils may wear **purple** on Thursday. Please note, our celebration assembly will also take place on Thursday next week instead of Friday

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks and best wishes to four exceptional members of our St Mary's family who are leaving us.

### Mrs. Jenny Timms

With 27 years at St Mary's, Mrs. Timms has impacted countless pupils. Recently, she has been a highly valued member of our reception team. Mr Timms had lots of appreciation in our Thank a Teacher survey. One parent commented, "Absolutely fabulous teacher with such a wonderful caring approach." Thank you, Mrs. Timms, for your incredible service!

### Mrs. Sarah Palmer

After joining us in 2018, Mrs. Palmer has been an invaluable teaching partner supporting an individual but having a much wider impact. As she retires, we wish her joy and relaxation in this new chapter. Thank you for your dedication, Mrs. Palmer!

### Mrs. Bobbie McCrudden

As a Higher Level Teaching Assistant in Year 5/6, Mrs. McCrudden is known for sharing her love of reading. She has supported countless trips and Year 6 residentials, enriching our pupils' experiences. We will miss her enthusiasm and dedication!

### Mrs. Claire Sleath

Since 2021, Mrs. Sleath has also been working with an individual child but I know her support has been appreciated by many other children in the class. We wish her the best as she moves on to a new role in a secondary school. Thank you for your hard work, Mrs. Sleath!



## A Heartfelt Thank You!

As we come to the end of term, we want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who have supported the Friends and the school throughout their time here.

Your time, effort, and generosity have meant so much and helped to make our school community what it is today.

We'll be sad to say goodbye to those of you whose children are moving on - thank you for everything you've done.

And a special mention to our Treasurer Laura, who will be stepping down at the end of this term as her youngest child will be moving on to secondary school.

Thank you for all your support and hard work over the years. You will be missed!

Wishing you all the very best for the future.

## Noticeboard

# SUPPORT, INSPIRE, CHANGE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The Schools of the Federation of St Helen's, Alveston and St Mary's, Yate.



## Did you know?

Governors are volunteers who work with our schools' senior leaders to set the culture, values and budgets. Through monitoring and supportive challenge, they make a real and noticeable difference to our children, their families and the broader community.

You do not need an in depth knowledge of the education sector, just the time and desire to contribute positively. Your skills and work place knowledge have the potential to change lives.

We are looking for new governors to become part of our friendly governing body.

### Why Should I Join?

- You would be part of a passionate and friendly team supporting the schools
- You would be involved in strategic decisions that make a difference to the children

### What Does a Governor Do?

- Our main role is to be a critical friend to support school improvement
- We work closely with the leaders of the school through monitoring and supportive challenge
- We attend meetings throughout the school year which take place in the evenings
- We visit the schools to meet with a variety of school staff and children

If you would like to have a conversation about volunteering as a school governor, please contact the school office:

St Helen's, Alveston 01454 866530 sthelensprimary@sgmail.org.uk  
St Mary's, Yate 01454 867155 office@stmarysyate.org.uk

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!**



## PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2025

[moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free](https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free)



### ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

### ASK ITALIAN

Kids under 10 eat for £1 during school holidays

### BEEFEATER

Kids Eat FREE with Newsletter Voucher this Summer

### BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main

### BILLS

Kids Eat Free weekdays, 21st July - 29th Sept

### BREWERS FAYRE

Kids Eat FREE with Newsletter Voucher this Summer

### BREWDOG

2 Kids eat free with 1 adult, 19th July - 31st August

### BURGER KING

From 28th July - 31st August, Kids Eat Free (via app)

### CHIQUITO

Kids eat FREE Daily Until August 31st

### DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch

### FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Kids Eat Free from 14th July - 31st August 2025

### FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

### HARVESTER

Kids eat for £1, Mon - Fri via the App

### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

### LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

### MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

### MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

### PREMIER INN & TRAVELODGE

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

### PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

### SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

### SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

### TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

### TESCO

Kids Eat FREE with a 60p spend until Aug 31st

### TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)

### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

### TOBY CARVERY

Kids eat for £1 all day (weekdays) until Aug 29th

### WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

### YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

### ZIZZI

Kids eat free this summer holidays (ex Saturdays)

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# FREE bus travel for kids

That's summer sorted

19 July – 5 September





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