

St. Mary's Easter Mail



Thursday 2nd April 2026

Bi-weekly Newsletter

Dates for your diary

It was wonderful to see so many parents joining us last Friday for our mini showcase on social justice. The children were incredibly proud to share their learning, and we were delighted to be able to share this with you.

In recent weeks, we have also enjoyed welcoming families into school for the JSax and Rocksteady concerts, as well as the fantastic Year 3/4 production. These events are such important moments for our pupils and, while we understand that attending is not always easy, your support and involvement mean a great deal - thank you.

In addition to these performances, we have celebrated the creative arts through our showcase on Tuesday and by attending Orchestra Day at Chipping Sodbury. Alongside this, we are very proud of the achievements of our sports teams this term. It has been such a successful few weeks that we have dedicated a section of the newsletter to celebrating the children's accomplishments.

After such a full and busy term, I am sure both children and staff are very much looking forward to the Easter break. We look forward to welcoming the children back refreshed and ready for the summer term. In the meantime, I wish all our families a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Bethan Scriven

| April | |
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| Fri 3 rd -Sun 19 th | Egg Hunt Shopping Centre |
| Friday 24 th | Yr 6 Life Skills trip |
| Weds 29 th | SEN APDR target meetings |
| May | |
| Mon 11 th - Thurs 14 th | Yr 6 SATS |
| Tuesday 12 th | EYFS Bristol Zoo Project |
| Weds 13 th - Fri 15 th | Yr 4 Greatwood |
| June | |
| Friday 5 th | Class/Yr 6 Photos |
| Fri 19 th am | KS2 Sports Day |
| Fri 19 th 1pm-2pm | KS1 Sports Day |
| Fri 19 th 2pm-3pm | EYFS Sports Day |
| July | |
| Saturday 4 th | Summer Fair/Tuckfield |
| Friday 10 th | Leavers Disco |

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

Declan L, Erin, Arthur S, Bowie, Jack G, George W, Perrie, Remi H, Lavinia, Gabi, Dexter, Florence P, Kieron, Margo, Emily W, Star, Jacob Mc, Adrian, Jakub, Darcey A, Mark



Travel safety reminder

Following our emergency school closure on Wednesday 25th, we have reviewed several of our procedures, including arrangements for pupils travelling to and from school.

To help ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children, we would like to remind parents and carers of our expectations around these journeys. If your child does not have permission to walk home unaccompanied, we strongly recommend that they are also accompanied by a responsible adult on their way to school. Consistency in these arrangements is key to keeping children safe.

In addition, we do not recommend that children in Year 4 and below travel to school independently. We encourage families to ensure that younger children are accompanied by a responsible adult both to and from school. Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep all children safe.

Travelling book fair

We are very excited to welcome the book fair back to school which will run every day after school from **Monday 27th April - Friday 1st May**. The commission from sales at the fair allows us to purchase new books for school.

A message from EYF teachers.

Thank you to everyone who supported the obstacle course for our reception classes. Between us we managed to raise an amazing **£321.20**.

Term Dates

Term 5
Start: Mon 20th Apr
End: Fri 22nd May
Term 6
Start: Mon 1st Jun
End: Tues 21st Jul
Inset: Mon 20th Jul
 Tues 21st Jul

We are pleased to introduce **Community Time**, a supportive morning provision available each day from **8:45am - 9:30am, Monday to Friday**. This calm and quiet space has been created to support children who may find mornings challenging, offering a gentle start to the school day and helping them feel settled, regulated, & ready for learning.

Community Time is designed as a drop-in provision in response to individual need, rather than part of a daily routine. If a child feels they would benefit from attending on a particular morning, they should first speak with their class teacher, who will then direct them to the provision.

Children attending Community Time will be able to access a range of supportive activities, including sensory sessions, calm games, and mindfulness and relaxation opportunities, all within a nurturing and supportive environment. Our aim is to ensure every child feels safe, supported, and able to begin their day in a positive way. If you feel your child may benefit from this provision, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Wishart.

Sporting News

We want to recognise the St Mary's girls football team again for an amazing season. Their achievements include reaching the semi-final of the schools cup and the second round of the GFA tournament earlier in the year.



Well done to our fab Netball team for winning their tournament this week. Good luck with the next stage



On Tuesday 31st March, St Mary's beat St Helen's 3-2 in a league match. Goals from Cian, Freddie C and Hadley.



On Friday 27th March, St Mary's beat Mangotsfield 3-2 in the semi-final of the cup. St Mary's were 1-0 down going into half time but showed great resilience to keep going and come away with the win. The final will be in term 5.

Noticeboard

Posters from outside organisations are shared for information purposes only and do not imply endorsement by the school

Friends of St Mary's Primary School, Yate

EASTER EGG HUNT!

Can you follow the trail to find all
the Easter Eggs and spell out the
secret phrase?

**Friday 3rd April -
Sunday 19th April**

**Yate Shopping Centre
BS37 4AP**

Collect the Map | Find the Secret Phrase | Win Great Prizes!

Maps cost £2. Pay via QR code and collect your map at Yate Library.
For more information, contact stmyate@gmail.com.

Mental Health Support Team

Mental Health Support Teams (MHSTs) were established to support schools, helping them develop ways to look after the mental health and wellbeing of children and young people (CYP) as well as the wider school community including school staff and parents/carers.

The MHST are now delivering online sessions which are free to sign up to. Please scan the QR code below to register for our next webinar.



NEW

Online Parent/Carer Sessions Exam Stress



NEW

To sign up, please
complete a registration
form here:



[MHST Online Session](#)



What is it? This session covers:

- Stress caused by exams (or SATs in primary school) and how to support our wellbeing to prevent stress overload.
- Signs of stress and how to spot when things are building up.
- Providing practical tips for supporting relaxation and wellbeing during the exam period.

Who is it for? Helpful for parents and carers whose children may have Exams coming up.

When are they? Sessions will be run at 12pm-1pm every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

New topics and dates will be released regularly.

The MHST is a partnership between Off the Record (OTR) and CAMHS. We are working with selected education settings across Bristol, North Somerset and South Glos. To find out where we work, check out our webpage:

www.otrbristol.org.uk/what-we-do/mhst/





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after school sports clubs term 5

St Mary's CE Primary School



**Years 1-6
Tennis**

Tuesday

NEW!



**All Years
Gymnastics**

Tuesday



**Years 3-6
Football**

Wednesday



**Years R-2
Football**

Thursday

**BOOK
ONLINE
HERE!**



why join...?

- **Inclusive for all Abilities** – activities are adapted so every child can join in and shine!
- **Safe, Supervised, and Structured** – every session is led by qualified coaches with years of experience!
- **Smiles every Session** – children leave buzzing with energy and stories to tell!
- **Fun Guaranteed** – fun, games based sessions with plenty of action!



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