



ST MARY'S NEWSLETTER

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Welcome Back!

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas break and a very Happy New Year!

The staff and I would like to say a huge 'thank you' to parents and carers for our lovely Christmas cards and gifts. We are all very grateful.

It is lovely to see all the children back in school and hear their news. This term, as a school community, we will be focusing on sustainability and continuing our journey towards net zero.

Our children are already demonstrating their commitment to this and a group of children from year 3 and year 5 have been litter-picking during break times and then recycling the rubbish that they have found. They are even preparing an assembly for the whole school to talk about the importance of recycling and show them how we can recycle our rubbish.

Please help your children at home by talking about recycling and other ways we can become more sustainable.



Diary Dates

- 17/1/24—Y3/4 skipping rope festival
- 22/1/24—Show Racism the Red Card week
- 23/1/24—Girls' football match—Green Ridge
- 5/2/24—Children's mental health week
- 5/2/24—Girls' football match—Broughton
- 5/2/24—Face-to face parents' evening
- 6/2/24—Online parents' evening
- 7/2/24—Online parents' evening
- 6/2/24—Safer Internet Day
- 9/2/24—Half term
- 9/2/24—Interhouse cross country
- 19/2/24—INSET day
- 20/2/24—Return to school
- 23/2/24—Girls' football match—home
- 8/3/24—World Book Day
- 8/3/24—PTA somebody special shop
- 27/3/24—Nursery breaks up
- 28/3/24—End of term (1.30)

Stars of the Week

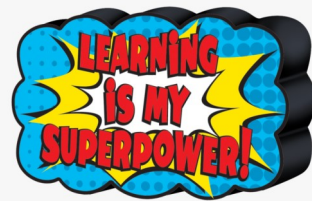


Well done to the children who have exemplified good behaviour this week: Oscar H, Robin S, Mia M, Oliver H, Evie T, April H, Favour E, Elsie T, Rudransh R, Alice H, Justin C, Evie T-W.



Learning Powers

We use Learning Powers to develop our 'Language of Learning' in school and this enables us to engage all pupils in dialogue using a common language to support and develop our understanding of how we learn. It is our intention that children use the language for learning to explain ways in which they achieved or approached tasks and how they can move on to the next chapter in their learning, These learning powers are: have a go, don't give up, concentrate, be curious. Congratulations this week to: Leo V, Jaida M, Alfie H, Tommy T, Amelie B, Olivia B, Illia K, Aaron M, Zara A, Henry D, Moses M, Ava G.



STAFFING

A warm welcome to our new starters; Miss Bennett has joined us in Reception as an LSA, and Mrs Cronin as a key worker in Year 2. Mrs Gooding has officially started as our Deputy Headteacher. We are also delighted to inform you that Mrs Trotter will be our new office administrator and Mrs Ditchburn and Mrs Lawes have become HLTAs

Polite Reminder

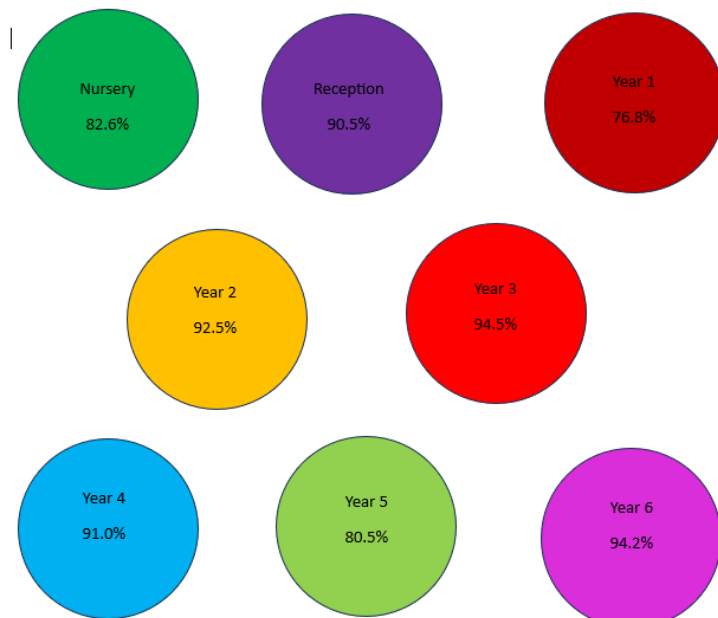
I have been asked by a parent to respectfully remind parents to be considerate when they have already dropped children off at school.

There have been a number of occasions when parents have been walking two or three abreast which has resulted in children having to step into the road to get past.

Please respectfully allow enough space on the pavement for those who are still trying to arrive in school safely.

ATTENDANCE

School Attendance 87%



A week in pictures!

