



# May 12th 2023 - St Mary's CE School Newsletter

***SHINE AS LIGHTS IN THE WORLD***

From Mr Liddle



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has, as always, been a very busy four-day week for us at St Mary's.

On Tuesday, we got together as a whole school to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III to sing a special song and learn about the historic occasion. To listen to the beautiful voices of the St Mary's pupils sing for the King and enjoy looking at pictures of the activities they completed, click here<sup>1</sup>!

This week, the Year 6s have been working extremely hard, completing their end of primary school assessments. We have been so proud of how they have remained focused and tried their best in all the six different assessments. Next week, they go on their residential and I am sure they will have a fantastic time.

With the weather looking favourable this weekend, I hope that you relax and enjoy whatever you have planned with your family and friends.

Kind regards,

David Liddle

## Walk to School Week



From Monday 15th May until Friday 19th May it will be Walk to School Week. So, we would like you to **get your happy feet on and celebrate**. Living Streets, a walking charity, have created the greatest national Walk to School celebration, where pupils and grown-ups around the UK unite for one week of walking to school.

The **five-day walking challenge** is aimed at primary schools and is a fun and engaging week-long activity which raises awareness and celebrates walking for all. Pupils will be well on their way to reaching their recommended 60 minutes minimum of physical activity per day before they have even reached the school gates! Not only will it set them up for a positive day in the classroom, it will also help create healthy habits for life. Even parking a little way from the school reduces congestion and air pollution at the school gates and improves road safety.

This year's challenge will take pupils on a Walk with Wildlife, encouraging them to travel actively to school every day of the week. Meeting various animals along the way, they'll learn about the important reasons to walk and the difference it can make for individuals, communities, and the planet.

Therefore, we would like to challenge the children to walk or park and stride to school for a whole week. We will be providing a range of activities along with an Activity Diary for the children to complete.

We hope you will join us with walking to school and would like to thank you for all your support.

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.st-marysayersbury.bucks.sch.uk/coronation-of-king-charles-iii/>

## School Photos



Nursery individual photos and whole school class photos will be taking place on 16th May.

## Sports Days



### **Nursery**

Monday 12th June, 10.30am - 11.30am

Monday 12th June, 2.00pm - 3.00pm

(Backup date Monday 19th June, 10.30am - 11.30am & 2.00pm - 3.00pm)

### **Reception**

Friday 16th June, 9.30am - 10.30am

(Backup date Friday 23rd June, 9.30am - 10.30am)

### **Year 1 & 2**

Wednesday 14th June, 9:30 am - 11:00 am

(Backup date Tuesday 20th June, 9:30am - 11:00 am)

### **Years 3, 4, 5, 6**

Friday 9th June , 9:30am - 11:30 am

(Backup date Friday 23rd June, 9:30 am - 11:00 am)

## Star of the Week



Each week a child, who has exemplified our Christian Values (Love, Hope, Respect, Compassion, Forgiveness and Truth) from every class, is chosen to receive the Star of the Week Award.

Well done to the children who are Star of the Week this week: Charlie C, Lily B, Kiki F, Teddy D, Mia S, Freddie D, All the children in Y4, Molly P, Neri A, All the children in Y6.

## Learning Power Awards



We use Learning Powers to develop our 'Language for Learning' in school and this enables us to engage all pupils in a dialogue using a common language to support and develop our understanding of how we learn.

It is our intention that the 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, keep improving, ask questions and cooperate.

Congratulations to the children who have received a Learning Power Award this week: Kieran C, Pratham V, Yumzaa I, Briony C, Favour E, Louisa S-S, Daniel T, Rechi K, Joey F, Oscar J, Nirav K, Jack H-W.

## Meet-Up Mondays



Please see the attached poster regarding a new coffee morning being run by the Family Support Service starting on 5th June, being held at Southcourt Family Centre Plus.

## PTA News



**Dates for your Diary (Summer Term):**

9th June - Star Jar Collection (am)

14th June - PTA meeting, 7:30pm at school

16th June - Someone Special Shop (Fathers' Day)

23rd June - Bottle Tombola Collection (am) and Mufti Day.

24th June - Summer Fair

7th July - Leavers Disco (Year 6 only)

**Dates for your Diary (Autumn Term):**

15th September - Family BBQ (tbc)

13th October - School Disco (all year groups)

2nd December- Christmas Fair

**Name Labels**

With the cost of school uniform, it is important to keep as much from being misplaced as possible! Therefore the PTA have links with the following labelling companies that provide us with commissions from each sale.

- MyNameTags.com<sup>2</sup> - We will earn 24% of the value of each order for the school! Our school ID is 24718.

- <https://www.stikins.co.uk><sup>3</sup> - School code 20765

- <https://stamptastic.co.uk><sup>4</sup> - School Code HP197WF

**Easyfundraising**

Easyfundraising.co.uk is a quick and easy way to raise money for the school whilst doing your online shopping. All you need to do is register as a member of our school on easyfundraising.co.uk, then go through them to your normal shopping sites. This then earns the school money and does not cost you a penny more!

Contact us:

stmarys.pta@hotmail.com

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<sup>5</sup><https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysfairfordleys/?ref=share>

[www.facebook.com/groups/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysfairfordleys/)<sup>6</sup>

[stmarysfairfordleys/?ref=share](https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysfairfordleys/?ref=share)<sup>7</sup>

## School Website



Please remember to check the school website<sup>8</sup> for the school calendar and other useful information.

## Safeguarding & E-safety



### Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Bennett, or the Deputies, Mr Liddle, Miss Rolfe or Miss Ilyas via the School Office on 01296 482094 or alternatively if out of school hours, weekends or holidays, visit <http://www.bucks-lscb.org.uk/concerned-about-child/> to report your concerns.

For more safeguarding information please visit our website.

### E-safety

Unsure about what apps or games your child is accessing? Need some advice on how to support your child online? Visit the NSPCC Net-aware website by clicking here<sup>9</sup> to get all the information you need or visit our school E-safety information by clicking here<sup>10</sup>.

<sup>6</sup><https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysfairfordleys/?ref=share>

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<sup>8</sup><https://www.st-marysayersbury.bucks.sch.uk/>

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<sup>9</sup><https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

<sup>10</sup><https://www.st-marysaylesbury.bucks.sch.uk/e-safety-2/>