



May 5th 2023 - St Mary's CE School Newsletter

SHINE AS LIGHTS IN THE WORLD

From Mr Liddle



Dear Parents and Carers,

Although it has been a shorter week it has, as always, been a busy one at St Mary's with the children completing some fun activities for the upcoming Coronation celebrations for King Charles III. Today, staff and pupils celebrated by wearing red, white and blue clothes as well as celebrating with a special song, that I am sure you have already heard your child practising.

Your child/children will have also come home this week with two special bookmarks to celebrate the Coronation. One is from the ODBST and the other is from our amazing PTA. I would like to personally thank the PTA for providing a lovely memento of this historic occasion!

Year 4 are currently on residential, where I am writing this newsletter from, in Liddington. The pupils have been having a great time with all the different activities that they have doing such as the giant swing, trapeze, zip wire, sensory trail plus many more. It has been amazing to see them not only grow in confidence with staying away from home but also seeing them face their fears. I am sure, like the staff, they are looking forward to returning home today but will be full of exciting stories to tell and memories to keep for ever.

A newsletter from me wouldn't be complete without a mention of the weather. I do hope that this weekend the rain isn't as bad as predicted and we can enjoy whatever we all have planned with our family and friends.

Have a lovely long weekend and enjoy the special celebrations tomorrow!

Take care and stay safe,

David

School Photos



Nursery individual photos and whole school class photos will be taking place on 16th May. Further details will follow for any classes that will be doing PE or Forest School on that day.

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)

Cycle Instructor Recruitment



Please see the attached poster regarding cycle instructor recruitment for the Bikeability Team.

The Platinum Way Active Travel Route Launch Event

Please see the attached poster regarding The Platinum Way Active Travel Route Launch Event.

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: Marley B, Frasier H, Ted C, Brooke W, Zoya A, Belle K, Farida S, Richie S, Jake F, Jake C, Elizabeth P-L, Leo B.

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: Kyle W, Charlie H, Finley P, Poppy H, Anastasia C, Ianis P, Alfie W, Ellie W, Amelie C-C, Lyra M, Sajesan V, Cameron F.

PTA News



Name Labels

With the amount of lost property in school growing on a daily basis in mind (how can they lose so much!), the PTA have links with the following companies that provide us with commissions from each sale. These are also useful for Year 4 and Year 6 parents thinking about preparing for the residential trips.

- MyNameTags.com¹ - We will earn 24% of the value of each order for the school! Our school ID is 24718.
- <https://www.stikins.co.uk>² - School code 20765
- <https://stamptastic.co.uk>³ - School Code HP197WF

Easyfundraising

¹<https://mynametags.com/>

²<https://www.stikins.co.uk/>

³<https://stamptastic.co.uk/>

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!

Dates for your diary:

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

24th June - Summer Fayre

7th July - Leavers Disco (Year 6 only)

Contact us:

stmarys.pta@hotmail.com <https://www.facebook.com/groups/stmarysfairfordleys/?ref=share>

School Website



Please remember to check the school website⁴ for the school calendar and other useful information.

Safeguarding & E-safety



Safeguarding

⁴<https://www.st-marysayersbury.bucks.sch.uk/>

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 here⁵ to get all the information you need or visit our school E-safety information by clicking here⁶.

⁵<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

⁶<https://www.st-marysylesbury.bucks.sch.uk/e-safety-2/>