



March 24th 2023 - St Mary's CE School Newsletter

SHINE AS LIGHTS IN THE WORLD

From Mr Liddle



Dear Parents and Carers,

With the weeks flying by, it is hard to believe that we only have one week left of the Spring Term. Over the last few weeks, I have been lucky enough to have been in classes focussing on the children's learning. Seeing their positive attitude towards learning always makes me so proud and reminds me that our pupils definitely shine as lights in the world.

Year 2 had a wonderful day on Wednesday learning all about the Great Fire of London with History Off The Page. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers that helped the day run smoothly, as well as to the parents who helped with the costumes, making the day even more enjoyable.

This week you will have received a survey from us asking for your views on our curriculum and what you feel is important for the children to learn on their learning journey at St Mary's. Thank you for those of you that have already completed it and if you haven't, please can I ask that you do take a few moments out of your busy lives to fill it in.

You will have received several emails about parenting courses that the Family Support Service are running in the upcoming months. These courses are really useful and have helped many families, so I do recommend that you have a look at the attached flyers and sign up if you feel you would benefit from attending. Please do remember that our door is always open for you to come and discuss any problems that you might be facing.

Hoping that you all have a lovely weekend whatever you have planned with your family and friends.

David

Chartwells' Meal Ordering Cut Off Dates



Please see the attached meal ordering cut off dates for April to July from Chartwells.

This information is also on our website.

Crown Design Competition



We are pleased to announce that the Coronation Crown Making Competition run by Buckinghamshire Council has extended the deadline for the entries to be in. This is to support more

schools that want to get involved. Therefore, could all children wishing to submit an entry do so, for the attention of Mrs Clark, by 30th of March.

Happy Designing.

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: Sammy R, Sianna M, Nathan T, Poppy H, Isabelle C, Aaron M, Isabelle N, Richie S, Olivia T, Lily-Anne G, Mollie C, Shiven M.

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: Jack P, Joshua L, Freya L, Aleeza A, Phoebe H, Evie A, Rosie M, Alice H, Moses M, Neri A, Durga M, Rishik V.

Lost Property Stall

There will be a lost property stall outside the main entrance one day after school next week.

Further details to follow.

Volunteer Helpers



If any parents are interested in volunteering with reading at St Mary's, we would like to hear from you.

Please contact Mrs Bennett via the school office for more information.

Introduction to Childminding Course

Please see the attached flyer regarding an 'Introduction to Childminding' course which is starting on 26th April and being run by Buckinghamshire Council.

Turkey-Syria Earthquake appeal



As you will be aware, a series of devastating earthquakes have hit southern Turkey and north-west Syria killing over 44,000 people and injuring many more. The first deadly earthquake struck while people were inside their homes, asleep in their beds, with no warning signs. More than 54,000 buildings, including hospitals and schools, have been destroyed or damaged. People have been left

without shelter in freezing winter conditions. DEC charities (Disasters Emergency Committee) and their local partners are among the first responders providing urgent aid. The DEC brings together 15 leading UK charities to raise funds quickly and efficiently at times of crisis overseas.

Following the search and rescue operation, immediate priorities are access to healthcare, shelter for those who have lost their homes, heating in safe spaces, blankets, warm clothes, and ensuring people have food and clean water.

If you feel that you could help the people affected by the crisis by making a donation, if you haven't already, this will help the DEC appeal. Your money will help the DEC charities and their local partners to scale up their response and reach more people.

DEHTTPS://DONATION.DEC.ORG.UK/TURKEY-SYRIA-EARTHQUAKE-APPEAL¹

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY.

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.

¹<https://donation.dec.org.uk/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal>

- MyNameTags.com² - We will earn 24% of the value of each order for the school! Our school ID is 24718.
- <https://www.stikins.co.uk>³ - School code 20765
- <https://stamptastic.co.uk>⁴ - 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!

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>

²<https://mynametags.com/>

³<https://www.stikins.co.uk/>

⁴<https://stamptastic.co.uk/>

Easter Holiday Swimming Courses

Swimming Crash Courses

Progress your Childs Swimming by booking onto one of our Easter School Holidays Crash Courses.

Cost – £33.60

3 rd – 6 th April 2023	Stage	Stage
10:00am	Stage 1 – Jeanetta	Stage 5 – Hannah
10:30am	Stage 2 – Jeanetta	Stage 4 – Hannah
11:00am	Stage 4 & stage 5 Breaststroke & Butterfly clinic	Stage 3 – Hannah
11:30am		Stage 6 – Hannah

11 th – 14 th April 2023	Stage	Stage
10:00am	Stage 1 – Emily	Stage 4 – Millie
10:30am	Stage 2 – Emily	Stage 5 – Millie
11:00am	Stage 3 – Emily	Stage 2 7+ – Millie
11:30am	Stage 6 – Emily	Stage 1 – Millie

Crash courses are a great way to accelerate your child's progression.

Book now by calling

 01296 488555



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Please see attached details regarding Aqua Vale swimming lesson crash courses that are being run in the Easter holidays.

School Website



Please remember to check the school website⁵ for the school calendar and other useful information.

⁵<https://www.st-marysayersbury.bucks.sch.uk/>

