



St. Mary's CofE Primary
'Learning for Life'

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newsletter

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Our Vision Statement **'Learning for Life'**

'Learning for life' with Jesus' promise of 'life in all its fullness' is at the heart of St Mary's. At our school children are seen as unique and will feel loved, safe and empowered to flourish so they reach their full potential both academically and personally.

Kindness Trust Courage

Dear St Mary's Families,

Welcome back and **Happy New Year!**

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and that 2024 will be a lucky and happy one for you all.

As we started the year, I took some time to reflect on the past year and this Hope video came to mind, that we recorded in 2021. The children had so many hopes and wishes for the future and it was so heart warming to see that many of their hopes have now come true.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2RuytECj4KM>

Cake Sale

A reminder it is our New Year's whole school cake sale after school next Friday. The cake sale will take place on the lower playground if it is not raining. If it is raining, it will be held in the hall.

Please bring your cakes in on Friday morning and leave them on the tables in the Gazebo on the playing field. All money raised will go towards funding a whole school treat for all of the children, as their reward for filling the values bowl last term! They all worked so hard to earn stars for showing our values of Kindness, Courage and Trust. The amount of money we raise will determine which surprise I can book for them, so please get baking. Thank you!



See you all on Monday!

From Mrs Chambers

HSLW

In this week's [HSLW weekly bulletin](#), you will find information on the following:

- Surrey Young Carers
- YoungSibs - support for siblings of children with disabilities

There is also a fun family activity to try at home and a recipe idea.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who designed a Pudsey mask, donated and came in mufti for 'Children in Need' last term, we raised a total of £284.00!



Star of the Week



Moles	Ava "expressing her needs clearly to adults." Ronnie-James "trying to eat lots of different food."
Hedgehogs	Max "for being so confident in yourself coming back to school."
Rabbits	Leo "for working so hard on his writing during our Phonics lessons this week!"
Cheetahs	Max "for having an enthusiastic and positive attitude at school!"
Panthers	Blake "for his enthusiasm towards his learning this week."
Lions	Henry "for so much enthusiasm in Maths."
Tigers	Sebastian "for his fabulous writing in English and working so hard on it."
Polar Bears	Albert "for being a fantastic role model of our school values of kindness courage and trust."
Pandas	Arabella "for excellent enthusiasm towards your learning particularly when learning our text map."
Hippos	Sofia "for question writing in English."
Elephants	Dexter "for writing a great narrative in English."
Kangaroos	Hussain "for listening carefully to feedback in English and applying it independently to his writing."
Giraffes	Zayna "a wonderful start to the year. Such an amazing attitude!"
Lemurs	Rafa "for independently editing his writing effectively."
Chimps	Lily "for always showing kindness by helping around the classroom, a great role model to your peers!"

Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events shown in bold)

08.01.2024	Great Fire of London Workshop – Yr 2
09.01.2024	PTA Meeting – 6pm
10.01.2024	Buddhism Workshop – Yr 6
16.01.2024	Chertsey Museum Workshop – Yr 3
17.01.2024	Chimps Class Assembly 9am
23.01.2024	Class Rep Meeting 8.45am
23 & 25.01.2024	Little City – Yr N & Yr R
26.01.2024	Open Classrooms 3pm – 3.30pm
30.01.2024	Young Voices – Choir trip to O2
31.01.2024	Tigers Class Assembly 9am
06 & 07.02.2024	Parents Evening
07.02.2024	Panthers Class Assembly 9am
w/c 12.02.2024	Half Term
w/c 19.02.2024	Bikeability – Yr 6
20.02.2024	History Workshop – Yr 5
28.02.2024	Hippos Class Assembly 9am
04 - 08.3.2024	Scholastic Book Fair
05.03.2024	Class Rep Meeting 8.45am
07.03.2024	World Book Day
07 & 08.03.2024	WBD Dance Workshop
13.03.2024	Rabbits Class Assembly 9am
19.03.2024	Painshill Trip – Yr 4
20.03.2024	Hobbledown Trip – Yr 1
27.03.2024	Easter Service in Church – 9.15am Yr 4 parents invited
28.03.2024	End of Term 1.05pm finish
15.04.2024	Start of Summer Term