



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,

Inspection

Yesterday, we had our SIAMS inspection. The inspector was with us for the day and prior to his visit, we were required to share information and documentation with him as part of the inspection.

When he was with us, he spoke with staff, parents, children, governors and members of the parish. Over the course of the day, he carried out two learning walks across the school, a children's book look, read school documentation and talked to children about their learning and experience at St Mary's.

It was a busy, fully packed day and strangely even though it was an inspection, it was enjoyable! It was lifting and heart-warming to be able to share all about us and to celebrate what we are proud of with him.

I am looking forward to being able to share the final report with you, which we hope to have in about 3 weeks.

Silent Disco

The whole school values reward was announced today in assembly. I shared with the school that on Monday, each year group will be enjoying a silent disco! I am looking forward to seeing them all dancing to different tunes, including the adults. I will be buying some disco lights to add to the experience! The money raised from the whole school cake sale has made this possible. Thank you!

Hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Chambers



HSLW

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

- Child health drop-in service
- Parent channel tv
- Surrey's local offer - support for families of SEND children.
- Free workshops for parents of SEND children.

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

Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics



On Wednesday 31st January, 12 children from Year 5 and 6 went to Guilford Leisure Centre to compete at a Sports Hall Athletics event. Throughout the morning, they completed a variety of field and track events in the hall.

For the track events, they took part in different relay races including obstacles, 6 laps and an over and under race. For the field events, they competed against other children in long jump, speed bounce, vertical jump, javelin and triple jump.

The children represented St Mary's brilliantly and gave their all in every event they took part in – especially ones they had never tried before! They showed fantastic sportsmanship as well as our school values. We are incredibly proud of them all.

Overall, the children finished 7th out of 14 schools. Well done!

Thank you to all of the family members who brought the children to and from the event and for staying to cheer the children on, we really appreciate all of your support.

Miss O'Brien and Miss Sher



Star of the Week



Moles

Marley "for following the Nursery rules."

Alice "for using all the different areas of the Nursery well."

Hedgehogs

Naomie "for being confident in yourself and joining in with class discussions"

Rabbits

Charlie "for always trying his hardest in all of his learning and using our stem sentences in Maths to explain his answers!"

Cheetahs

Henry "for persevering and working hard to improve his writing!"

Panthers

Sion "for his effort in sharing facts about the different animal classifications in Science!"

Lions

Monica "for working so hard all year to improve both her reading and writing."

Tigers

Rhys "for his fabulous learning behaviour in class and his confidence and willingness to talk about the school to our visitor."

Polar Bears

Bella "for being an excellent role model of our school values."

Pandas

Zara-Mae "for wonderful creative ideas when writing our persuasive letter."

Hippos

Penelope "for her reflective Sukkot leaf in RE about what home means to her."

Elephants

Leah "for confidently sharing her ideas in English."

Kangaroos

Lena "for being an incredibly helpful member of the class"

Giraffes

Hope "for being brilliant at multiplying fractions. Well done!"

Lemurs

Scarlet "for increased confidence when sharing ideas in lessons – keep up the great work!"

Chimps

Jack "for your fantastic focus in lessons this week, well done!"

Time Table Rockstars

Year 2: Martin – Tigers
Kacper – Lions
Oliver – Tigers

Years 3 & 4: Nate – Hippos
Theo – Hippos
Eddie – Hippos

Years 5 & 6: Brayden – Giraffes
Sofie – Giraffes
Nicolas - Giraffes

Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events shown in bold)

06.02.2024	Break the Rules Day - PTA * NURSERY ONLY *
06 & 07.02.2024	Parents Evening
07.02.2024	Panthers Class Assembly 9am
08.02.2024	Break the Rules Day - PTA
08.02.2024	Little City - Yr N & Yr R
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
06.03.2024	Fullbrook Production – Yr 5
07.03.2024	World Book Day
07 & 08.03.2024	WBD Dance Workshop
13.03.2024	Rabbits Class Assembly 9am
15.03.2024	Comic Relief
18.03.2024	Feet First Training – Yr 3
19.03.2024	Painshill Trip – Yr 4
20.03.2024	Hobbledown Trip – Yr 1
22.03.2024	Litter Picking – Yr 3
26.03.2024	Open Classrooms 3pm – 3.30pm
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
15.04.2024	Humanist Workshop – Yr 4
17.04.2024	Class Photos
22.04.2024	Hindu Temple Trip – Yr 5
22 – 24.04.2024	Kingswood Residential – Yr 4
23.04.2024	Bocketts Farm Trip – Yr R
24.04.2024	Cheetahs Pizza Express Trip – Yr 1
25.04.2024	Brooklands Museum Trip – Yr 3
26.04.2024	Open Classroom 3pm – 3.30pm
w/c 13.05.2024	SATS Week
15.05.2024	Panthers Pizza Express Trip