



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

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# newsletter

**Week ending**  
15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## **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.

**Happy Red Nose Day!** Thank you to all of the families who joined in today and donated money towards an amazing cause. The children had an assembly all about how the money raised can help so many people local to us as well as all around the world!

<https://www.comicrelief.com/homepage/>

## **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion**

Here at St Mary's, we are really lucky to have children and families from different faiths, cultures and backgrounds. Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Justice are important to us and we are looking at ways we can further enhance and enrich the opportunities we offer our children here at school. To do this, I would really welcome help from our families.

*Do you think we could do more to recognise the different faiths, cultures and backgrounds in our school?*

*Would you like to understand more fully how we ensure our curriculum is diverse and inclusive?*

*Can you offer any ideas or suggestions?*

I would like to invite you to an informal working party session on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 8.45am. It would be great if a group of parents would be willing to come and share their ideas and suggestions with me over a cup of coffee or tea. If you are able to join me, I would really appreciate your time and input. Please email the school office to let them know if you are able to attend.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Chambers

## **HSLW**

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

- Families Online magazine
- Barnardo's parent wellbeing service
- Expansion of funded early education and childcare
- Happy Maps
- Specsavers Surrey youth games

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

## **Emails to School**

When emailing the school, please add your child's/children's class to ensure they can be dealt with promptly.

Thank you

## **Puzzles Wanted**

Are you gearing up for a spring clean? Do you have any puzzles which aren't being used taking up valuable cupboard space?

As a school, we are looking to build up our resources to support children with spatial reasoning and awareness. One fantastic way of doing that is through puzzles. If you have any puzzles which are in good condition (and obviously have all the pieces), we would love to have them.

Mr Baddock - Maths Lead



## **Egg Drop Challenge**

Over the Easter holidays, why not get involved in our '[Egg Drop Challenge](#)'. The goal of the egg drop challenge is to drop an egg from a height of at least two metres (please have an adult present to do this) without it breaking when it hits the ground.

Send pictures and / or videos of your egg drop creation and testing to [info@stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk) and they will be forwarded on to Mrs O'Connor.

## **Surrey Youth Games**

The Specsavers Surrey Youth Games is a county wide initiative to get children active through access to free activity sessions. Please see [flyer](#) for information



## Star of the Week

<b>Moles</b>	Rayah "for her positive attitude."  Ronnie S "for being cheerful and trying to be more independent."
<b>Hedgehogs</b>	Jake "for lots of amazing writing in Discovery Time."
<b>Rabbits</b>	Evelyn "for always being such a creative, kind and caring member of the class!"
<b>Cheetahs</b>	Gabri "for challenging himself with his reading and writing!"
<b>Panthers</b>	Dhruv "For making connections in his learning in Geography and History."
<b>Lions</b>	Samuel "for putting so much effort into his Mathematics – pretty decent dancing too!"
<b>Tigers</b>	Luka "for always trying your best in lessons and making great improvements!"
<b>Polar Bears</b>	Macie "for working really hard on your writing target and presentation!"
<b>Pandas</b>	Tommy "for your endless enthusiasm towards your learning and always trying your best."
<b>Hippos</b>	Kristof "for his positive attitude in the classroom and his enthusiasm and dedication to learning!"
<b>Elephants</b>	Safa "for writing a great suspense narrative. Well done Safa!"
<b>Kangaroos</b>	Willow "for having such a positive mindset towards her learning and never giving up!"
<b>Giraffes</b>	Jake "for making huge progress in your writing – well done!"
<b>Lemurs</b>	Dylan "for showing our value of kindness by helping others in their learning."
<b>Chimps</b>	Archie "for a fantastic learning attitude"

### Time Table Rockstars

Year 2:	Koa – Lions Johnny – Tigers Joseph – Tigers
Year 4 & 4:	Raees - Pandas Finley – Elephants Nate – Hippos
Year 5 & 6:	Sofie – Giraffes Damon – Giraffes Ayaan - Giraffes

## Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events shown in bold)

18.03.2024	Feet First Training – Yr 3
19.03.2024	Easter Trail – PTA (Nursery ONLY)
19.03.2024	Painshill Trip – Yr 4
20.03.2024	Rabbits Coffee Morning – Surestart Hut @ 8.45am
20.03.2024	Hobbledown Trip – Yr 1
21.03.2024	Easter Trail - PTA
21.03.2024	Litter Picking – Yr 3 (date changed from 22/03/24)
25.03.2024	Breck Foundation Parent Online Workshop 6 – 7pm
26.03.2024	Breck Foundation Workshops Yrs 1 - 6
26.03.2024	Open Classrooms 3pm – 3.30pm
27.03.2024	Easter Service in Church – 9.15am Yr 4 parents invited
<b>28.03.2024</b>	<b>Easter Bonnet Parade</b>
28.03.2024	End of Term 1.05pm finish
15.04.2024	Start of Summer Term
15.04.2024	Humanist Workshop – Yr 4
<b>16.04.2024</b>	<b>Equity, Diversity &amp; Inclusion Working Party @ 8.45am</b>
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
01.05.2024	Cheetahs Class Assembly 9am
07.05.2024	Class Rep Meeting 8.45am
08-10.05.2024	Bikeability – Yr 4
10.05.2024	Egyptian Day – whole school
w/c 13.05.2024	SATS Week
15.05.2024	Panthers Pizza Express Trip