



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

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# newsletter

**Week ending**  
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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.

Dear St Marys' Families

I hope you have all had a good week.

### **Little Princess Trust – Aurora Update**

Aurora provided us with an update to her piece in our Newsletter of 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Aurora donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust. Well done Aurora. A very worthy cause, we are very proud of you.



Next week, the parent voice meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, will need to be postponed so please can you pass on any messages and questions to your class reps ready for the rescheduled meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 8.45am. Thank you everyone!

We hope you all have a great bank holiday weekend!

From Mrs Chambers

## HSLW

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

- School readiness
- Parents' toolkit - BBC Bitesize
- YMCA free online parenting webinars

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



The Digital Leaders of St. Mary's are hosting a raffle! Raffle tickets will soon be available to purchase, but first we are looking for any donations (however big or small!) to give out as amazing prizes.

### A letter from our Digital Leaders:

*We are writing to you today to request some raffle prizes so we can have a raffle to raise money to buy new Chromebooks, so every child can have one. The reason we would like more chrome books is so that each pupil would have their own and not have to share as when we are sharing and someone hasn't logged out or charged the Chromebook it takes time out of our learning. We would love to have lots more so there is one for everyone. We find learning much easier using the Chromebooks so it would really help us. Please can you help us get some more? We would love it if you could help us by donating or a special prize for our raffle.*

Thank you to the very generous parents who have already donated. If you have anything you are able to donate to the cause, please contact myself, Mrs Harfield, by emailing the office with the subject FAO Mrs Harfield.

Thank you! Mrs Harfield and the Digital Leaders team

## PTA Summer Fair & Colour Run

### Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Please purchase your colour run tickets on the PTA events page. This is a ticket to take part in the colour run ONLY.

**Please note there is no charge to get into the summer fair on Saturday 15th June, if you do not wish to take part in the colour run. Donations accepted on the day.**

PTA & Friends

## **Painshill Enrichment Days**

During March and April, groups from Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 were selected to take part in enrichment days at Painshill for Geography and History.

On our KS2 History enrichment day, the children took part in a treasure hunt to find the lost Roman hoard! They solved clues and navigated their way around the park using their map reading skills. In the afternoon, the children enjoyed a guided workshop where they learnt about Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. History was brought to life by role playing battles. They took part in hands on activities to help them learn about the Anglo-Saxons, including how they made their clothes and what they ate.



On our KS2 Geography enrichment day, the children used compasses and OS maps to navigate their way around the park from an unknown location. They made a journey stick followed by a 3d map made out of natural resources.



On our KS1 enrichment day, the children took part in den building. They learnt about what people need to survive and had a go at building their own shelter. The children were very excited to see whether their den would protect them from the rain! In the afternoon they did a treasure hunt around Painshill and were on the lookout for human and physical features.



Thank you, Painshill, for providing memorable experiences for the children. They all had great fun!  
Mrs Severn





## Star of the Week

<b>Moles</b>	Dylan "for always being helpful and kind to his friends"  Melani "for listening well on the carpet"
<b>Hedgehogs</b>	Josie "for writing lovely sentences in our morning work!"
<b>Rabbits</b>	Saanvi "for working so hard to use her Phonics in her writing and being super creative in the Art area!"
<b>Cheetahs</b>	Noah W "for showing brilliant teamwork skills and being a fantastic St Mary's Learner!"
<b>Panthers</b>	Ava "for showing resilience in Maths and continuing to always try her best!"
<b>Lions</b>	Isabelle for showing so much enthusiasm in History (especially getting the ball in the cup)!
<b>Tigers</b>	Gayle "for your amazing fact file and the hard work you are putting into your writing!"
<b>Polar Bears</b>	Charlotte W "for being an excellent role model of our school values showing kindness, courage and trust towards everyone."
<b>Pandas</b>	Romilly "for sharing your creative ideas confidently with the class."
<b>Hippos</b>	Haleem "for continued focus and working hard in Maths."
<b>Elephants</b>	James "for continually demonstrating the school values and challenging himself in all lessons."
<b>Kangaroos</b>	Rohaam "for always being such a helpful member of the class!"
<b>Giraffes</b>	Serena "for your super participation in our Viking workshop."
<b>Lemurs</b>	Riley "for excellent focus and hard work during Maths and English – keep up the great work!"
<b>Chimps</b>	Finn "for considering his language carefully in his setting description"

### Time Table Rock Stars

Year 2:	Daniel – Lions Martin – Tigers Kacper – Lions
Year 3 & 4:	Jacob – Pandas Luca – Pandas Abdullah – Elephants
Year 5 & 6:	Dylan – Lemurs Patrick – Giraffes Chloe - Giraffes

## Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events shown in bold)

26.04.2024	Open Classroom 3pm – 3.30pm
30.04.2024	Library Visit – Pandas
01.05.2024	Rabbits Class Coffee Morning - Surestart @ 8.45am
01.05.2024	Cheetahs Class Assembly 9am
01.05.2024	Viking Workshop – Yr 5
07.05.2024	Library Visit – Polar Bears
08-10.05.2024	Bikeability – Yr 4
10.05.2024	Egyptian Day – whole school
w/c 13.05.2024	SATS Week (and SATS Breakfast)
15.05.2024	Pandas Class Assembly @ <b>8.40am</b>
17.05.2024	Park Trip – Yr 6
20 – 24.05.2024	PGL Liddington – Yr 6
20.05.2024	Wisley Trip – Yr 2
21.05.2024	Library Visit - Lions
<b>22.05.2024</b>	<b>Class Rep Meeting at 8.45am (changed from 7/5)</b>
<b>22.05.2024</b>	<b>Panthers Pizza Express Trip (changed from 15/5)</b>
24.05.2024	Library Visit – Yr 1
w/c 27.05.2024	Half Term
07.06.2024	School Family Picnic & cake sale 3pm
12.06.2024	Lions Class Assembly 9am
14.06.2024	Library Visit – Yr 6
15.06.2024	Colour Run / Summer Fair – PTA
18.06.2024	Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral - Yr 6
19.06.2024	Rabbits Class Coffee Morning - Surestart @ 8.45am
19.06.2024	Mosque Trip – Yr 1
19.06.2024	Fullbrook Away Day – Yr 5
25.06.2024	Class Rep Meeting 8.45am
26.06.2024	Hedgehogs Class Assembly 9am
26.06.2024	Nursery Sports Day (reserve date 3.7.24 if wet)
28.06.2024	Sports Day (reserve date 5.7.24 if wet)
11 & 12.07.2024	Yr 6 Production
18.07.2024	Leavers Day – Yr 6
19.07.2024	Leavers Service at St Mary's Church – Yr 6
19.07.2024	End of Term
02.09.2024	INSET Day