



# newsletter

**Week ending**  
4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

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

Dear all,

*We are thrilled to announce that we've been awarded a £5,000 Golden Grant from Tesco!*

*Last year, the school and PTA submitted our requests to be one of the projects on display for customers to vote for, and we're so grateful to everyone who has been posting their blue tokens in support of us!*

*Two weeks ago, at a special event, thanks to a kind member of the public (if you know who it was, please thank them for us) who selected us from three projects as part of the scheme, we were awarded this top grant from Tesco – much more than the originally requested £1,500!*

*This generous grant will help us update the Friendship Island area next to the playground, creating a space that promotes social development at break times and enrich the overall learning experience. We're excited to involve the children in designing unique activities that will make this area even more special and fun for everyone!*

What a fantastic last day of term filled with Easter bonnets and lots of certificates! The Junior Leaders went around this morning and decided a winner from each class. They had a tough job on their hands – they all looked fabulous. Well done to everyone for all of their effort and creativity.

Huge thanks to the PTA for organising the Easter trail for the children earlier this week. We appreciate all you do for the children at St Mary's!

I thought it only fair the staff had their own Easter hunt so I hid over 180 mini bunnies and ducks for the staff to hunt this morning! Ms Madden and Mrs V were our winners!

We also had our Pause Day activities for all children, where they looked at the stages of the Easter story. It was lovely to see so much learning and reflection happening outside in the sun.

We hope you have a superb break filled with sunshine (hopefully).



Happy Easter! See you on the 22nd!

From Mrs Chambers



## Star of the Week



<b>Moles</b>	Ralph "For showing good listening skills at carpet time." Pippa "For exploring all the different areas of our nursery."
<b>Hedgehogs</b>	Freya "for always demonstrating our St Mary's Values!"
<b>Rabbits</b>	Fleur "for fabulous maths during carpet time."
<b>Cheetahs</b>	Charlotte "For being a great St Mary's learner and always trying her best"
<b>Panthers</b>	Elsie "for being a fantastic St Mary's Learner and consistently demonstrating our school values."
<b>Lions</b>	Max "for being a super St Mary's Learner and sharing his understanding so confidently on our trip!"
<b>Tigers</b>	Blue "For being a fantastic St. Mary's Learner whilst on our trip to Wisley!"
<b>Polar Bears</b>	Harrison "For his dedicated approach to learning by consistently demonstrating our St Mary's Values."
<b>Pandas</b>	Sebastian "for his effort in English this week, writing his fact file about Mrs Twit!"
<b>Hippos</b>	Ryan "For being an excellent St Mary's role model – always showing kindness and generosity to others."
<b>Elephants</b>	Betty "for overcoming her nerves to give a great Easter Service performance."
<b>Kangaroos</b>	Edie "for always trying her best in class – a great St. Mary's Learner!"
<b>Giraffes</b>	Sophie "for being a kind, cheerful and helpful member of Giraffes class."
<b>Lemurs</b>	Lauren "for her fantastic sewing skills during our DT unit!"
<b>Chimps</b>	Zara "for her improved effort and perseverance in her letter writing!"

### Times Table Rock Stars

Year 3 & 4: Betty - Elephants

Charlotte W - Hippos

Setemi - Pandas

Year 5 & 6: Oliver - Kangaroos

Roshan - Kangaroos

Hope - Lemurs

## HSLW

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

- Places where kids eat free (or for £1) this Easter
- Easter holiday activities
- 'Learn with me' - early learning and development tips
- CYP Havens

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

### Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events/changes shown in bold)

22.04.2025	Start of Summer Term
29.04.2025	Open Classrooms 3.10 – 3.40pm
30.04-02.05.25	Kingswood Residential – Yr 4
30.04.2025	Pizza Express Trip – Cheetahs
01.05.2025	Bocketts Farm – Yr R
02.05.2025	Parent Voice – 8.45am
02.05.2025	Brooklands Museum Trip – Yr 3 (date changed from 29/04)
<b>07.05.2025</b>	<b>PTA Mufti Day</b>
07.05.2025	Kangaroos Class Assembly – 9am
07.05.2025	Pizza Express Trip – Panthers
09.05.2025	Full Governing Body Meeting - 5pm
10.05.2025	Circus – PTA Event
W/c 12.05.2025	KS2 SATS Week / SATS Breakfast
14-16.05.2025	Bikeability – Yr 4
16.05.2025	Park Trip – Yr 6
21.05.2025	Nursery ONLY Egyptian Day
23.05.2025	Ancient Egyptian Day
w/c 26.05.2025	Half Term
03.06.2025	Parent Voice – 8.45am
04.06.2025	Lemurs Class Assembly – 9am
10.06.2025	Fullbrook Away Day – Yr 5 (changed from 19/5)
17.06.2025	Shah Jahan Mosque Trip – Yr 1
17.06.2025	Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral – Yr 6
18.06.2025	Lions Class Assembly – 9am
20.06.2025	Quiz Night – PTA
25.06.2025	Nursery Sports Day
26.06.2025	Open Classrooms 3.10 – 3.40pm
27.06.2025	Sports Day
02.07.2025	RESERVE Nursery Sports Day
03.07.2025	Parent Voice – 8.45am
03.07.2025	Full Governing Body Meeting - 5pm
04.07.2025	RESERVE Sports Day
09.07.2025	Hedgehogs Class Assembly – 9am
09 & 10.07.2025	Year 6 Productions to Parents – 6pm
16.07.2025	Year 6 Leavers Day/BBQ (not 17 <sup>th</sup> )
18.07.2025	Year 6 Leavers Service
18.07.2025	End of term – 1.05pm