



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

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# newsletter

**Week ending**  
17<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Dear St Marys families,

It is our Open Day on Tuesday. Year 6 are baking scones for our visitors and serving them in our pop up café ! Year 6 will also be our tour guides for the day and some of our Year 5 children will be helping to look after our younger visitors. We are excited to open the doors to potential new families as well as to welcome familiar faces. Please share this information with people you know who may be looking for a school place this year or next year.

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**WATCH VIDEO**

**ST MARY'S**

**OPEN DAYS - 2026 ADMISSION**

**OPEN MORNING: 21<sup>ST</sup> OCT (9AM)**

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**SCHOOL TOURS: 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (10AM),  
10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER (11AM) AND 17<sup>TH</sup>  
NOVEMBER (10AM)**

**Reserve your space for a school tour now by  
contacting the school office.**

**Contact Us:**

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On behalf of us all, Happy Friday!

From Mrs Chambers

## **HSLW**

In this week's HSLW weekly bulletin, you will find information on the following:

- Young Minds
- SEND Advice Surrey
- Emotional wellbeing and mental health resource pack
- Growth mindset book list
- 'Keeping your child in mind' course

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

### **Young Minds**

Young Minds is a charity which provides support for young people who may be struggling with their mental health. They have a free helpline, an online chat service and a huge resources bank for young people and their families.

[Young Minds website](#)



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### **SEND Advice Surrey**

SEND Advice Surrey is Surrey's statutory Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities Information, Advice and Support (SENDIAS) service for children and young people aged 0 to 25 years with additional needs and/or disability, their parents/carers and professionals.

[SEND Advice Surrey](#)



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### **Emotional wellbeing and mental health resource pack**

Surrey Youth Focus is proud to launch a brand-new, 'Emotional wellbeing and mental health resource pack for families in Surrey, designed to help families find their way through the wide range of services and support available for children's and young people wellbeing across Surrey. This practical resource brings together key information, advice, and signposting to local and national organisations. Developed in collaboration with partners and informed by parent feedback, the pack aims to empower families with the knowledge to navigate the support on offer.



## Growth mindset book list

These books are a gentle way to encourage our children to look at their mistakes more positively and find a way to keep going even when things are tough.



Positive  
Parenting  
Project.

## Growth Mindset book for younger children

### 'Keeping your child in mind' course



### Woking Family Centre

3rd - 24th  
November  
10.00am - 11.45am  
(online)

## Keeping Your Child In Mind

### Adults working together.

A FREE programme for parents and carers focusing on relationships within the family and the influence of parental relationships on children.

#### The course covers:

- Self-awareness
- Appropriate expectations
- Boundaries and positive discipline
- Understanding empathy

For more information scan the  
QR code or call 01483 310419



Woking Family Centre, The Bungalow  
Sythwood, Woking GU21 3AX



**BARNARDOS**

Changing childhood.  
Changing lives.

### **Fun activity of the week: Build a leaf boat**

Can you make a boat out of leaves? Go for a walk and try and pick the leaves you think will be the strongest. Using sticks and smaller leaves, can you get your creation to float in a bucket of water or down a stream?

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### **Recipe of the week: ABBC muffins (apple, blueberry, banana and carrot)**

#### **Ingredients:**

- 1 medium-sized carrot, peeled and roughly chopped
- 1 banana, roughly chopped
- 100g apple sauce
- 2 medium eggs
- 100g margarine
- 130g self-raising flour
- 60g rolled oats
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- ¼ tsp cinnamon
- pinch of salt
- 30g blueberries
- Honey and yoghurt to serve (optional)



#### **Method:**

1. Preheat oven to gas 4, 180°C, fan 160°C.
  2. Add all the ingredients apart from the blueberries to a food processor and blend until a smooth batter is formed, then gently stir in the blueberries.
  3. Place 6 muffin cases into a muffin tray and evenly distribute the batter between them.
  4. Bake in the oven for 25 mins until the muffins start to turn golden.
  5. Remove from the oven and cool on a baking tray. Serve with honey and yogurt.
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If you would like any further help, guidance or support for you or your family, please contact **Laura Merrick** (Home School Link Worker) [hslw2@stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:hslw2@stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk) (Working hours: Tuesday 8:30am - 3:30pm, Wednesday 8:30am - 1:00pm, Thursday 8:30am - 3:30pm).



## Harvest Donations – Reminder

In order to help those less fortunate than ourselves, we are joining forces with St Mary's Church to support the work at Vaughan House, Guildford.

We welcome donations of dry, tinned and packaged food.

Please send your donations into your child's classroom between Monday 20th and Wednesday 22nd October.

## Year 5 Winchester Science Museum

As part of their science topic on space, Year 5 had the opportunity to visit the science museum where they explored, took part in a workshop and visited the planetarium.



## Young Writers Competition

Last year, we participated in the Young Writers Competition. It created a real buzz for poetry writing across the school and 49 of our children were published in the Wonderverse book, which now proudly sits in our library.

This October there are two more competitions for children to participate in.

The first is for 5-7year olds called 'Recipe Poems'.

The second is for 7 - 12-year olds called 'I have a dream'.

Children had some time exploring these competitions on Tuesday in their classrooms and some are very keen to take part.

More information can be found in the links below:

[https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/primary-4-7/recipe?downloaded\\_resources=1&teacher\\_form\\_success=1](https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/primary-4-7/recipe?downloaded_resources=1&teacher_form_success=1)

<https://www.youngwriters.co.uk/competitions/primary-7-12/dream>

Entries will need to be with Mrs Doyle by the 23<sup>rd</sup> October on the preprinted competition sheets, which children can pick up from school.

Happy writing!





## Star of the Week



<b>Moles</b>	Cleo “for a fantastic explanation of her drawing.”
<b>Rabbits</b>	Lily “coming into school with a big smile all week!”
<b>Hedgehogs</b>	Lewis “for always listening and working hard in lessons!”
<b>Cheetahs</b>	Joshie “for working so hard in your maths learning this week, well done!”
<b>Panthers</b>	Lennie “for showing the value of his kindness towards friends.”
<b>Lions</b>	Victoria “for always being ready to learn and sharing your understanding to support others.”
<b>Tigers</b>	Wesley “for confidently sharing his knowledge about animals at the Lookout Science Centre.”
<b>Polar Bears</b>	Rosie “for always putting 100%effort into everything she does and helping others with their learning too.”
<b>Pandas</b>	Emeth “for working to high standard in class and being helpful to his peers.”
<b>Elephants</b>	Luena “for being such a helpful member of the class and always trying her best.”
<b>Hippos</b>	Harrison “for confidently explaining written methods in Maths and supporting others.”
<b>Kangaroos</b>	Theo “for a big improvement in writing following feedback”
<b>Giraffes</b>	Olena “for being a super St. Mary’s learner. You always give 100%”
<b>Chimps</b>	Kialon “for excellent effort with his maths and for constantly challenging himself!”
<b>Lemurs</b>	Sonya “for just being a wonderful member of Lemurs.”

### Times Table Rock Stars

#### **Year 3 and 4**

Grace H – Hippos  
Koa – Elephants  
Kacper – Elephants

#### **Year 5 and 6**

Nathan - Chimps  
Elora - Chimps  
Kialon - Chimps

## Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events/changes shown in bold)

21.10.2025	Open Day for Prospective New Parents 9 – 10.30am
21.10.2025	Parents Evening ONLINE
22.10.2025	Royal Day
23.10.2025	Harvest Service at St Marys Church 9.15am – Yr 3 Parents Invited
23.10.2025	Parents Evening FACE TO FACE
23.10.2025	Uniform Sale – PTA at Parents Evening
24.10.2025	INSET Day
24.10.2025	Legoland Discounted Tickets – PTA
w/c 27.10.2025	Half Term
03.11.2025	Young Shakespeare Workshop – Yr 6
04.11.2025	Closing Date for Photograph Orders
04.11.2025	Parent Voice – 8.45am
04.11.2025	Snow White Panto – Whole school
04.11.2025	Open Classroom
05.11.2025	MOLES ONLY Colour Hamper Donations Mufti Day – PTA
05.11.2025	Firework display – PTA
07.11.2025	Colour Hamper Donations Mufti Day – PTA
10.11.2025	Freshwater Theatre – Yr R
11.11.2025	Remembrance Service – Yr 6 Parents Invited
13.11.2025	Watts Gallery Trip – Yr 4
14.11.2025	Children in Need
17.11.2025	Flu Immunisations Yr R - 6
19.11.2.25	Full Governing Body – 5pm
20.11.2025	Polar Bears Class Assembly
w/c 24.11.2025	Life Bus Visit
26.11.2025	Maths Workshop 9am - Yr R
26.11.2025	Open Classroom 3.10pm
27.11.2025	Wreath Making 7pm - PTA
03.12.2025	MOLES ONLY Tombola Donations Mufti Day – PTA
03.12.2025	Parent Voice – 8.45am
03.12.2025	Nursery Nativity am & pm
05.12.2025	Tombola Donations Mufti Day – PTA
06.12.2025	Christmas Fair 11am-1pm - PTA
08.12.2025	Choir to Barnes Wallis
09.12.2025	Carol Service – St Marys Church 6.30pm (TBC)
10.12.2025	Reception Nativity 9.30am
11.12.2025	KS1 Nativity – 2pm
12.12.2025	KS1 Nativity – 9.30am
18.12.2025	Christmas Service – Yr 5 parents Invited
19.12.2025	End of term 1.05pm
05.01.2026	Start of Summer Term
13.01.2026	Great Fire of London Workshop – Yr 2
15.01.2026	Lemurs Class Assembly
20.01.2026	Little City – Yr R
22.01.2026	Little City – Yr R
22.01.2026	Choir Young Voices trip to O2

26.01.2026	Open Classroom 3.10pm
28.01.2026	Full Governing Body – 5pm
28.01.2026	Pizza Express Trip – Cheetahs (Date changed from 26.01.26)
29.01.2026	Hippos Class Assembly
29.01.2026	Friendship Disco - PTA
30.01.2026	Romans Workshop – Yr 3
04.02.2026	Pizza Express Trip – Panthers
05.02.2026	Kangaroos Class Assembly
06.02.2026	Our World Day
06.02.2026	Quiz Night - PTA
10.02.2026	Safer Internet Day
10.02.2026	Parents Evening ONLINE
11.02.2026	Buddhist Temple Trip – Yr 6
12.02.2026	Parents Evening FACE TO FACE
12.02.2026	Uniform Sale – PTA at Parents Evening
16.02.2026	Half Term
26.02.2026	Painshill Trip – Yr 4
26.02.2026	Open Classroom 3.10pm
w/c 02.03.2026	Book Fair
05.03.2026	World Book Day
05 & 06.03.2026	Dance Workshop – Yr R – 6
w/c 09.03.2026	Science Week
09.03.2026	Hindu Temple Trip - Yr 5
10.03.2026	Litter Picking – Yr 3
11.03.2026	Full Governing Body – 5pm
11 – 13.03.2026	Wonderful Women Crafternoon - PTA
12.03.2026	Cheetahs Class Assembly
16.03.2026	Legoland Trip – Yr 1
19.03.2026	Lions Class Assembly
20.03.2026	Red Nose Day
23 & 24.03.2026	Feet First Training – Yr 3
26.03.2026	Easter Egg Trail – PTA
26.03.2026	Open Classroom 3.10pm
27.03.2026	Easter Service – Yr 4 Parents Invited
27.03.2026	End of term 1.05pm
13.04.2026	Start of Summer Term
14.04.2026	Wisley Trip – Yr 2
15.04.2026	Class Photographs
22.04.2026	Earth Day
23.04.2026	Pandas Class Assembly
24.04.2026	Brooklands Museum Trip- Yr 3
27-29.04.2026	Yr 4 Residential
30.04.2026	Tigers Class Assembly
01.05.2026	Bocketts Farm Trip – Yr R
06.05.2026	Full Governing Body – 5pm
07.05.2026	Rabbits Class Assembly
w/c 11.05.2026	SATS Week
15.05.2026	Park Trip – Yr 6
19.05.2026	Mosque Trip - Yr 1

20.05.2026	Ancient Egyptian Day (MOLES ONLY)
20.05.2026	Portals to the Past – Yr 5
21.05.2026	Disco - PTA
22.05.2026	Ancient Egyptian Day
w/c 25.05.2026	Half Term
02.06.2026	Open Classrooms 3.10pm
11.06.2026	Panthers Class Assembly
17-19.06.2026	Marvellous Men Crafternoon - PTA
18.06.2026	Hedgehogs Class Assembly
24.06.2026	Nursery Sports Day
26.06.2026	Sports Day
01.07.2026	Nursery Sports Day (reserve)
01.07.2026	Full Governing Body – 5pm
03.07.2026	Sports Day (reserve)
08 & 09.07.2026	Yr 6 Productions
15.07.2026	Yr 6 Leavers Day & BBQ
17.07.2026	Yr 6 Leavers Service to Parents
20.07.2026	End of term 1.05pm