



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

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# newsletter

**Week ending**  
27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

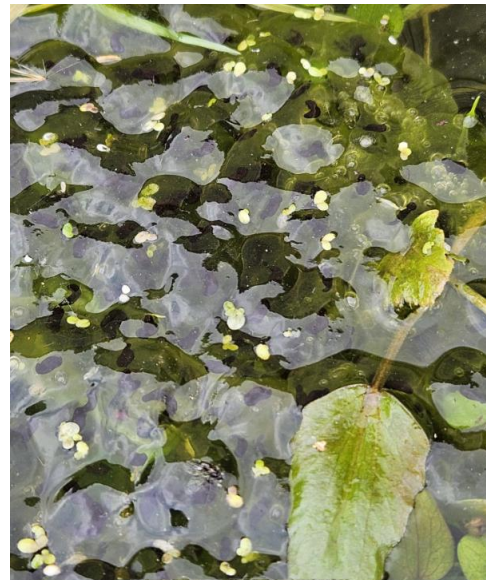
Dear St Mary's Families,

I hope you had a restful and lovely half term.

Thank you to everyone for attending Parent's evening. If you were unable to meet during one of these evenings, please do contact your child's class teacher to ensure you book a slot and discuss how your child is getting on!

It has been a busy first week back and we have been lucky to have some days filled with sunshine! Let's hope it continues.

Classes have been busy popping up to the outdoor learning area to see some exciting new additions to our pond. We have frogspawn! We can't wait to document how they grow and see a lifecycle in action.



Have a great weekend!

From Mrs Chambers

## Home School Link Worker

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

- Family Advice Communication Education (FACE) – March timetable
- Family Learning
- 'Jigsaw Hub' at The Lighthouse, Woking

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

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF BYFLEET'S ROYAL FAMILY?

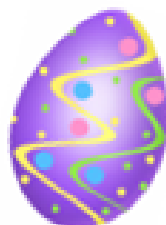
# THEN JOIN THE FRIENDS OF BYFLEET PARISH DAY



# 'EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA'

FOR A CHANCE TO BE THIS YEAR'S  
**BYFLEET PARISH DAY KING, QUEEN,  
PRINCE OR PRINCESS** COME TO **BYFLEET  
LIBRARY** BETWEEN 10.30am AND 12.30pm  
**SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH.**

**DESIGN AND COLOUR**



**IN EXCHANGE FOR**

**AN EASTER EGG**

**A CHOCOLATE ONE!**

**EVERY CHILD THAT ENTERS WILL BE ASKED IF THEY WANT TO  
ENTER THE DRAW TO BE PART OF THE 2026 ROYAL FAMILY.**

**FREE ENTRY FOR ALL AGES UP TO 11 YEARS OLD.**

**WITH THANKS TO BYFLEET LIBRARY FOR THEIR SUPPORT**

## **A “River of Reading”**

For World Book day this year, we would like the children to create a river of reading. The river has been explained to the children in assembly this week. They will come home with a large piece of paper to create their own “River of Reading”. It is their river, so they make the rules – here are just some ideas to help them.

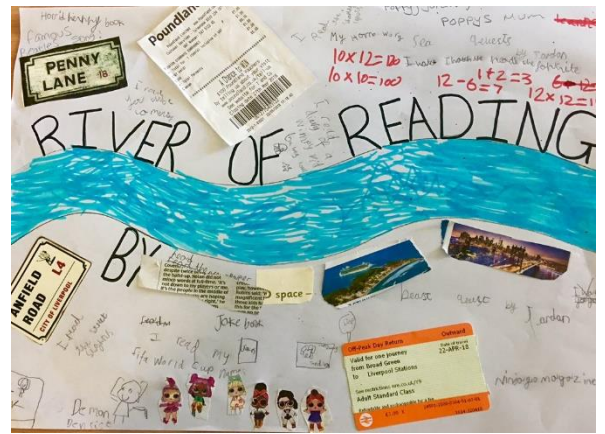
Think about your reading over time – what was read to you, and what you read yourself. It does not just have to be books! Magazines, online text, subtitles, everything counts, but you don’t have to include everything you \*ever\* read. Try to pick key books (or stories, or texts) that are important to you. You decide what’s important. It might be that a book

is your favourite, or it might be less about the book, and more about who read it with you (or to you), and how it made you feel. It might be a book you disliked so much that you still remember it. It might be a book that was a special gift, or the first time you read an author who became a favourite. It might be the first book or story you managed to read all by yourself, or something you read on an amazing holiday. It might be a book that was recommended by a teacher. If you speak more than one language, please, do include books and stories in languages other than English – it would be amazing to see these, and we would love to hear about your reading (or being read to) experiences in other languages, and for you to show off your amazing language skills!

Once you have chosen your books (or stories, or texts), add them to your River of reading sheet. You can draw pictures, print photographs, add words, captions and colour. Please return your “River of Reading on World Book Day (5<sup>th</sup> March 2026).

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Mckechnie



## **Young Writers Competition**

At St Mary's we love to participate in the Young Writers Competition. It creates a real buzz for writing across the school and we have such great success with the number of children that get published each time.

This half term there is another competition!  
Ridiculous Writers - for 7-12 year olds.

Children had some time exploring these competitions this week 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-7-12/ridiculous?view=ind>

Entries will need to be with Mrs Doyle by the 17th March on the pre-printed competition sheets, which children can pick up from school.

Happy writing!  
Mrs Doyle



## Dates for your Diary

**(New dates/events/changes shown in bold)**

w/c 02.03.2026	Book Fair
03.03.2026	Parent Voice – 8.45am
04.03.2026	World Book Day (MOLES ONLY)
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	Author Workshop: Emma Swan – Yrs 2, 3, 4 & 6
10.03.2026	Oliver Performance @ Fullbrook School – 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
16 – 25.03.2026	The Great Easter Bunny Coin Collection - PTA
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 Fun and Break the Rules Day – 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
17.04.2026	Library Visit – Pandas am
17.04.2026	Library Visit - Polar Bears pm
22.04.2026	Earth Day
23.04.2026	Pandas Class Assembly
24.04.2026	Brooklands Museum Trip- Yr 3
24.04.2026	Library Visit – Giraffes am
24.04.2026	Library Visit – Rabbits - pm
27-29.04.2026	Yr 4 Residential
30.04.2026	Tigers Class Assembly
01.05.2026	Bocketts Farm Trip – Yr R
01.05.2026	Library Visit – Tigers am
01.05.2026	Library Visit – Hedgehogs pm
06.05.2026	Parent Voice – 8.45am
06.05.2026	Full Governing Body – 5pm
07.05.2026	Rabbits Class Assembly
08.05.2026	Library Visit – Lions am
08.05.2026	Library Visit – Hippos pm
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
03.06.2026	Parent Voice – 8.45am
05.06.2026	Library Visit – Lemurs am
05.06.2026	Library Visit – Panthers pm
11.06.2026	Panthers Class Assembly
12.06.2026	Library Visit – Kangaroos am
12.06.2026	Library Visit – Cheetahs am
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
27.06.2026	Colour Run - PTA
01.07.2026	Nursery Sports Day (reserve)
01.07.2026	Full Governing Body – 5pm
03.07.2026	Parent Voice – 8.45am
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