



The School Bell



"What we nurture today, flourishes tomorrow"

Ringling in the St. Mary's School news

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Dear Parents and Friends of St. Mary's Christian Value for this half-term – Peace

Many thanks to everyone who has been involved in 'reading week' this week. We have very much enjoyed telling and listening to a range of stories and poems. Huge thanks to those who have given up their time to come and share their favourite books with the children. It was lovely to have a school full of book characters yesterday; thanks to all parents for their hard work in putting some wonderful costumes together. Look out for some photos from the day on our school website very soon!

Best wishes,
Mr Milne

Dates for your diary...

Good News assembly - Every Friday 2:40pm at school, parents, family and friends all welcome.

MARCH: VALUE - PEACE

Thursday 9th: Hereford Cathedral School football tournament (team to be selected from Y5 and Y6).

Monday 13th: Governors' meeting 6:15 pm

Thursday 23rd: Parents' evening 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Friday 24th: Comic Relief: bring in a donation for the charity

Tuesday 28th: 'Sing Spring In' event for Yellow, Orange and Red classes, a.m.

Tuesday 28th: Parents' evening 3:30 – 6:00 pm

APRIL: VALUE - PEACE

Friday 7th: Easter service in church, 2 pm



St. Mary's Pre-School

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Pre-School

'Stay to Play' every Monday
9 am - 10.30 am (£2 per family)
Come and join in the fun!

Open Days

Friday 31st March 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Saturday 1st April 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Mobile Phones

Please remember that the school has a 'no mobile phone' policy. This includes the school's outside premises as well as the inside of the building.

Lateness

Please remember that the bell for the beginning of the school day rings at 8:45 am. Children should not enter school using the front door in the morning.

Security

Following incidences of dangerous driving, the main school gates will now be closed during the school day in the interests of keeping the children safe. Please do not park in the school car park during school hours. Many thanks for your co-operation with this.



PTA Disco

Many thanks to the PTA for organising two very successful discos just before half-term; great fun was had by all who attended! A great total of £431.86 was raised.

Goodbye

Next Friday we will say goodbye to Miss Lippett and Miss Guyatt who have been teaching Orange Class and Green Class respectively since the beginning of term. We thank them for their hard work here at St. Mary's. We will miss them and wish them every success in their teaching careers.

Ofsted

As you are aware, the school was inspected by Ofsted last week. We anticipate that the finalised report will be released within the next two weeks. We will let you know as soon as it is published.



NUT FREE SCHOOL

A reminder that as a 'nut-free school', we ask that you do not send any food containing nuts, sesame or chickpea products into school as we have children with severe allergic reactions to these products. Many thanks for your co-operation with this.

The next school Bell will be issued on Friday 17th March 2017

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Basketball

Well done to our very first basketball team who took part in the first Gloucestershire Under 11s Tournament in Gloucester last month. They played really well and did us proud against some much more experienced teams.



Comic Relief



Unfortunately we have now run out of red noses for Comic Relief. They can still be bought at any branch of Sainsbury's.

Children will be asked to bring a donation for the charity into school on Friday 24th March.

Lost Property

Please remember to name your children's clothing and items such as water bottles. Misplaced named items will be returned to the child's class as soon as they are found. From next week, there will be a 'lost property' box under the shelter outside Orange Classroom where unnamed clothing and other items will be sent. This will be cleared periodically; please look here if your child has lost an unnamed item of clothing. Please do not ask in the office.

Parents' Evenings

A reminder that parents' evenings will take place on Thursday 23rd March between 5:00 and 7:00 pm and Tuesday 28th March between 3:30 and 6:00 pm. Appointments have now been made and the slip detailing your allotted time has been returned to you via your child today.

Alice in Wonderland and Through the Looking Glass

On a glorious summer's afternoon, young Alice happens upon a smartly dressed rabbit looking at his watch and muttering "I'm too late!" This being an unexpected occurrence, she follows him down a nearby rabbit hole and falls into Wonderland. Lewis Carroll's timeless children's stories are magically brought to life in this adaptation. The amazing Lobster Quadrille, the Queen of Hearts' infamous croquet match and the Mad Hatter's Tea Party are just a few of the remarkable events and characters in this enchanting play. Suitable for all the family!

Isaac from Red Class is performing in this production at the Courtyard Theatre in Hereford from 19th - 22nd April. Isaac will be performing on Wed 19th - 2pm, Thurs 20th - 7pm, Fri 21st - 2pm, Sat 22nd - 7pm. Tickets £12.50 and £11.50. Box Office 01432 340555.

Term dates 2017/18

Please note the term dates in your diaries.

Spring Term 2017

Term ends Friday 7th April

Summer Term 2017

Term starts Monday 24th April

Half term Monday 29th May - 2nd June

Term ends Friday 21st July

Autumn Term 2017

Term starts Tuesday 5th September

Half term Monday 23rd-27th October

Term ends Friday 15th December

Spring Term 2018

Term starts Wednesday 3rd January

Half term Monday 19th-23rd February

Term ends Thursday 29th March

Summer Term 2018

Term starts Monday 16th April

Half term Monday 28th May-1st June

Term ends Friday 20th July

Good News!

Congratulations to all the children who have received the Good News Award recently. Here they are enjoying their tea parties!



St. Mary's C of E Primary School - Board of Governors includes:

Mr T Milne - Headteacher | Peter Daines - Chairman | Mrs Sarah Fishbourne - Vice Chairman
Sara Watts | Helen Seaborne - Parent Governors