



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

Well, here we are at the last day of term! Where did it go?

We are all looking forward to the Easter holidays and hoping for some sunshine!

We already have lots of things planned for the summer term, so keep an eye on our newsletters and website to make sure you don't miss anything!

Have a lovely break, and we will see you all on Monday 13th April.

Best wishes,

Mr Milne

Playgroup

Please note that the Playgroup is now full and cannot admit any new children until September.

Clubs

Do you enjoy working with children? Do you have a special talent or skill? We are looking for volunteers to run clubs from the autumn term onwards. We are in particular need of a football coach for years 5 and 6 when Mr Harwood steps down at the end of the summer term after many years of volunteering. We are also looking for someone to run chess club from the autumn term. If you can help in any way, please let the school office know.

Clubs

A reminder that clubs for next term will begin in the week beginning Monday 20th April, not the first week back after Easter. Clubs do not usually run in the first and last weeks of term; uncollected children will be placed in after-school club, for which there is a charge.



Football Tournament

Huge congratulations to our football team, who were runners-up in the Herefordshire County Schools Football Tournament organised by Hereford Cathedral School. They played

brilliantly as a team and were a credit to the school. Many thanks also to Mr Harwood who gave up his time to train and accompany the team. The squad were: **Jack Williams, Harry Thompson, Tim Honey, Jacob Wornham-Jones, Samuel Dominguez-Middle, Finlay Bell, Ben McConkey, Joseph Harwood, Joel Straker and Zak Price.**

Dates for your diary...

Good News assembly - Every Friday 2:45pm at school, parents, family and friends all welcome.

Value for the first half-term: Respect

APRIL

Friday 24th - Tempest Photography in school for class and team photographs

MAY

Monday 4th - Bank Holiday

Monday 11th - Year 6 SAT tests all week

Wednesday 20th - Some Year 6 children to 'It's A Knockout' in Hereford

Friday 22nd - School closes for half-term

JUNE

Value for the second half-term: Forgiveness

Monday 1st - School resumes after half-term

Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th - Years 5/6 residential visit to Pembrokeshire

Monday 15th - Governing Body meeting, 6:15 pm

Thursday 18th - Year 6 leavers' service in Hereford Cathedral

Thursday 18th - Years R, 1 and 2 summer musical performance after school

Tuesday 23rd - Sports Day, afternoon preceded by a family picnic [reserve date Weds 24th June]

Thursday 25th - Year 6 visits to respective secondary schools

Friday 26th - 'Wear what you like' day in support of the summer fete

Saturday 27th - Summer fete/ It's A Knockout

Tuesday 30th - Years 4, 5 and 6 summer musical evening: 2:00 and 7:00 pm

JULY

Wednesday 1st - Years 4, 5 and 6 summer production: 7:00 pm

Monday 6th - Year 5 Modern Foreign Languages day at Bishop's Secondary School

Friday 10th and Saturday 11th - summer production at Bishop's Secondary School, 7:00 pm

Monday 13th - drop-in parents' evening, 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Friday 17th - Leavers' Service in Church: 2:00 pm. School closes for the summer holidays.

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Poetry Festival

Well done to all the children who represented the school at the annual Herefordshire Poetry Festival. They all did really well and did us proud.

Reminder

School summer uniform can be worn after Easter.

Swimming Gala



Last Saturday, 24 children from St. Mary's represented the school at the City of Hereford swimming gala. They swam in 21 out of the 22 individual races and 4 relays. Over half the

children won a medal and as a team they won the small schools award. Being in the top 6 schools we were entered in to the final event, the Canon. This was a relay where we chose our fastest 6 swimmers to race against the other top 6 schools in Hereford. The atmosphere was fantastic! **Amber, Paige, Tim, Rebecca, Fletcher and Isabelle** swam this relay in an incredible race and finished first comfortably, **winning the gala for St. Mary's!** All the children demonstrated excellent team spirit and behaviour, making this a very enjoyable day. Thanks to all parents and children who gave up their afternoon to support this event. A fantastic effort!

Swimming

A reminder that Years R and 6 will be swimming on a Wednesday next term. Year R sessions begin on Wednesday 15th April and Year 6 on Wednesday 22nd.

PTA Lottery Draw – Spring 2015

Winner: £100 – number 48 – Debs Biggs

Second place: £50 – number 76 – Faye McCardle

Third place:

£10 – number 73 – Faye McCardle

£10 – number 194 – Andrew and Sarah Powell

£10 – number 36 – Bethany Squires

£10 – number 3 – Michelle Barrand

£10 – number 184 – Jenn and Dave Hurds

Congratulations!



Red Nose Day

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Red Nose Day activities. We raised a grand total of £330 for Comic Relief. Huge thanks to the School Council for their hard work.

PTA Spring Disco

The St Mary's Spring Bunny Hop Disco and egg/bonnet contest was not only lots of fun, but also a great success and raised £346! Congratulations to all our winners, and thank you to everyone who participated. Thanks also to all the teachers and volunteers who were there on the night for their help and to the office staff for collecting the money and tracking the sales.

Money

A reminder that any money needs to be paid in an envelope via your child's bag, rather than in person at the office please. Thanks very much for your co-operation with this.

Dinners

Dinners for the first week of term must have been ordered by the end of today please. The summer menu comes into effect on Tuesday 5th May.

Goodbye

We sadly say goodbye to Miss M. Williams who has been working voluntarily in the classrooms for the last few weeks. We thank her very much for her hard work and wish her every success for the completion of her teaching degree and for the future.

Term dates 2015

Please note the term dates in your diaries.

Summer Term 2015

Term starts Monday 13th April

Half term Monday 25-29th May

Term ends Friday 17th July

Autumn Term 2015

Term starts Monday 7th September

Half term Monday 26-30th October

Term ends Friday 18th December

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

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