

St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



9th February 2023



Easter Bingo – please put the date in your diaries

ST MARY'S PTA

**JOIN OUR
EASTER BINGO
FRIDAY 24TH
MARCH**

**5PM DOORS OPEN
5.30PM EYES DOWN
7.30PM RAFFLE
8PM ENDS**

Bingo tickets £5 per book
Raffle tickets £1

Refreshments available
snacks, hot & cold drinks.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a lovely half term at St Mary's, great attitudes to learning from the children & a great variety of learning experiences from making Iron Age items to barter with, Science walks around our grounds, Dorchester Library visiting our pre-school, etc.

Parents' Evening

Thank you for taking part & engaging in our parents' evenings this week. We hope you found them useful. If you weren't able to attend, please let us know & we can arrange a meeting/phone call with your child's teacher.

World Book Day

We will be celebrating World Book Day at St Mary's on Thursday 2nd March, from Haycorns through to Year 4 & all the staff. It would be fantastic if children could come to school dressed in items that they have at home to represent a word. If they could also write their word in another language as well to celebrate our diversity, that would be great i.e. 'bright', also 'brilhante' (Portuguese). Attached to the newsletter email are some ideas to get the children thinking.

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PTA Event – Easter Bingo

Our amazing PTA will be holding our really fun Easter Bingo event again, this is always really popular & a great family event. Any monies raised will go towards the new playground equipment for the children.

Members of the PTA will be selling tickets after the half term holiday, watch this space!

A message from the Stay Awake Event

Stay Awake 2023, is 5 years old this year! Stay Awake, is an all-age, family Catholic Christian conference which is a lot of fun for all ages – including adults!

Our fifth birthday will have free cakes at refreshment time and free pizza to round the day up! Please come!

It is at All Saints School, Wyke, Weymouth on Saturday 11 March (10 am to 7 pm). There are kids' streams, keynote speakers, workshops, prayer stations, Mass. Please let this milestone be an inspirational and transformational one in your walk with Jesus too. More information from www.stayawakejc.com.

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Fri 10 th Feb	Teacher Training Inset Day – School Closed
Mon 20 th Feb	Children return to School
20 th -24 th Feb	St Mary's Internet Safety Week – lots of information & activities to help the children be safer online
Thurs 2 nd Mar	World Book Day – children to come dressed to represent a word – we look forward to seeing all the great ideas from items children have found at home
Wed 8 th March	Year 1 & 2 'Festival of the Arts' – Y1&2 children showcasing their art & dance for their parents – 2.30pm at St Mary's Y1 & 2 parents invited
Thurs 9 th March	Year 3 & 4 'Festival of the Arts' – Y3&4 children showcasing their art & dance for their parents – 2.30pm at St Mary's Y3 & 4 parents invited
Fri 24 th March	PTA fundraising BINGO night 5pm-8pm in the school hall

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This week's Kids Corner comes from Year 2, letting us know what they have enjoyed learning & doing this week.

I have really loved
sketching in art

Lucy C

We have learnt
division in Maths,
which is my
favourite

Diego

In Science we have
been learning about
where different fruit
grows

Archie

I love the dance
lessons, the music
is great

Erin

The children finish their half term today, there is then a staff inset training day tomorrow so the school is closed. We hope you have a good break & some quality family time, we look forward to seeing the children back at St Mary's on Monday 20th February.

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Paula Fearn
Headteacher