

St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



17th March 2023



Shire Class learning about eating healthy foods for a fit & strong body



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a busy & exciting week at St Mary's. Maiden Castle class (Year 3) attended the Commonwealth Day Service at County Hall. They represented St Mary's very well. Well done everyone.



Anning class (Year 2) spent a morning at Wagamamas in Dorchester, learning about foods from around the World & trying lots of delicious food. They had a great time. Thank you to the parent helpers on this trip & for the Commonwealth Day Service.

All the classes had their Life Education sessions this week, learning about the brain, how their bodies work, healthy lifestyles, etc. All with the help of Harold the Giraffe.

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We revisited NSPCC's Pantosaurus video today & discussed how to keep ourselves safe. It was a good session. Teachers will continue these discussions in class. If you would like to learn more, please go to:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

Mrs Hunns

Mrs Hunns will be working at St Mary & St Josephs in Wool during the week until the end of the Summer term. She will be supporting their SEN children. Mrs Hunns will be back at St Mary's from September.

Shire Class have enjoyed making kites in DT, they then tested their designs to see if they would fly.



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Upcoming Events

Next week Year 1 have their trip to Shire Hall. Children will need a packed lunch for this trip.



A message from our Eco Committee:

It's the 'Big Walk and Wheel' competition starting on Monday for the next 2 weeks.

Take part by walking, scooting or biking to school each day. We will be counting every journey you make this way. If you need to drive to school, then park a short distance away and walk, bike or scoot the last part of the journey. That still counts!

Thank you for taking part.

The Eco Committee

The Golden Padlock winner this week was Millie, well done Millie.

Date	Event
Fri 24 th March	Shire class (Year 1) trip to Shire Hall – packed lunches needed from home or ordered via Local Food Links
Fri 24 th March	PTA fundraising BINGO night 5.30pm-8pm in the school hall
Mon 27 th March	Year 4 parents/carers opportunity to talk with Mrs Pegram & Mrs Hudson from St Osmund's about transition
Fri 31 st March	Children finish for the Easter Holidays
Mon 17 th April	Children return to school after Easter holidays
Wed 26 th - Fri 28 th Apr	Iceni class (Year 4) two night residential trip to the Springhead Trust
Mon 1 st May	Bank Holiday – School & Pre-school closed
Mon 8 th May	Bank Holiday – School & Pre-school closed

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Mon 22 nd May	Class photos of Reception to Year 4 & Haycorns' Leavers
Fri 26 th May	Children finish for the half term holidays
Mon 5 th June	Children return to school after half term holidays
Fri 21 st July	Children finish for Summer holidays



This week's Kids Corner comes from Shire Class (Year 1), letting us know what they have enjoyed learning & doing this week.

I am enjoying our story 'Last stop on Market Street' in English & thinking of different words to describe the sounds & I love the word 'onomatopoeia'.

Maja

We are finding out about the Victorians in History and how life was different in the past.

Elliot & Felix

We are focusing on the challenges in subtraction during our Maths lessons

James P & Alice

Have a good weekend.

P. Fearn

Paula Fearn
Headteacher