

St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



10th May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,



We have all enjoyed the sunshine this week and made the most of our school field. Our year 3 and year 4 footballers had a brilliant time playing in a tournament at Dorchester football grounds on Tuesday. Thank you so much to the parent helpers who helped to walk the children to the grounds and back, who supported the players and those who were part of creating a wonderful experience for our children.



“ It was really fun playing football and cheering on year 3's. I liked it when they cheered for us as well”
Ara

“ I enjoyed saving goals!”
Alfie S

A special mention of thanks to Mr Ayles and Mr Scard for helping to support and manage the teams.

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The Year 4's had a wonderful residential at Springhead and were commended for their behaviour.



Around the courtyard discussing the outline of the day. " I liked sleeping in the bunk beds"- Oliver



Sipping fresh water from the spring. " I liked drinking from the spring"- Swanley and Arthur

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Locating and discussing the water and land on our planet.



"I enjoyed the marshmallows around the campfire". Ruby

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The Wessex Arts Fest

The Wessex Arts Fest is a great opportunity for children to not only be inspired by watching other students perform in music and drama groups, but also to take part in a range of musical activities which may be of interest to them. We don't want the grown-ups to feel left out and most of our activities are open to them too (although we would like people to sign up to take part in advance)! We have drumming workshops, a Big Sing Workshop and many more. The SEND Music workshop will be of particular interest to any families who have children with a range of needs. There will be an opportunity for children to get their hands on some instruments in our drop in 'Come and Try' sessions as well as children (and their parents) to experience some of the music technology on offer at Hardy's. We would like to invite anyone who plays an instrument to join us for our massed orchestra and we also hope that many people will join us for a fun barn dance session. With plenty of refreshments, you can really make a day of it! Plus, it's all FREE! We hope to see you there!

<https://music.wessex.ac/wessex-arts-fest-2024.htm>

Mass at school for children and parents

We would love you to join us for Mass on Tuesday 14th May at 9 am in the school hall.



I liked doing the SPAG sheets.- Arabella.

I enjoyed practicing the relay race - Fred

I really enjoyed sketching houses - Alona

*This week's kids' Corner comes from our **Anning class**, telling us what they have enjoyed and learnt this week.*

I enjoyed racing other children in the class - Jadon

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WE ARE HIRING
FIXED TERM, TEMPORARY
GENERAL KITCHEN ASSISTANT - WEYMOUTH

- £11.44/Hour
- 9am - 1pm, Monday to Friday (20Hrs)
- Term-time Only
- No Evening OR Weekend Work
- Start date: ASAP - until Friday 19th July 2024



Please contact **Katie Potter** (katie.potter@localfoodlinks.org.uk) for a job description and application form.



With the sunny days coming, please can you ensure that your child has a sun hat, a water bottle and has their sun cream applied **before** they come in to school. Thank you.

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Kingston

This week Kingston made the most of this beautiful sunshine, and spent lots of time in the garden, cooling off with water play. They have been working as a team to fill up buckets and then transport the water with jugs down the ramp to make the boats float, also experimenting with what will float and what will sink. In the mud kitchen the children have been mixing and making lots of different meals!



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Upcoming events

Date	Event
Tues 14th May	Mass at St Mary's 9am
Mon 20 th May	Class photos being taken
Fri 24 th May	Children finish for the Half Term break
Mon 3 rd June	Children return from Half Term break
Thurs 6 th June	Maiden Castle attending the D-Day 80 th Anniversary flag raising ceremony at County Hall in the morning
Mon 10 th June	Iceni children orienteering at St Osmund's School in the afternoon
Thurs 13 th June	Wessex Wild Farm visiting Kingston preschool during the morning to look at where food comes from and healthy lunch boxes
Wed 19 th June	Iceni class visiting Wessex Wild Farm – packed lunches required (can be ordered via Food Links)
Tues 25 th June	Anning class visiting County Museum for the Mary Anning experience – packed lunches required (can be ordered via Food Links)
Thurs 27 th June	Sports Day – families invited for a picnic lunch from 1200 noon or 1.00pm for the afternoon races. Packed lunches required (can be ordered via Food Links). Please can children to wear something either red, white or blue or a mixture of these colours to celebrate our 'Olympics' sports day.

Fri 28 th June	Dr Bike is visiting St Mary's to check over your bikes for free – please bring any bikes in from home.
Tues 2 nd July	Shire class visiting Wessex Wild Farm – packed lunches required (can be ordered via Food Links)
Mon 8 th and Tues 9 th July	Iceni children's 'Meet the Tutor' days at St Osmund's Middle School – information from Claire Hudson to follow.
Mon 8 th and 9 th July	Swimming galas for Shire, Anning, Maiden Castle and Iceni classes during the mornings – children only event
Fri 12 th July	Shire class visiting the Sealife Centre – packed lunches required (can be ordered via Food Links)
Fri 19 th July	Children finish for the Summer Holidays
Wed 4 th Sept	Children return from Summer holidays

Hoping you enjoy a sunny weekend with your family.

Paula Fearn
Headteacher