

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a wild & windy week at St Mary's. We hope you all had a good half term break, it is lovely to have all the children back at St Mary's.

Anning Class debating for & against celebrating the 5<sup>th</sup> November



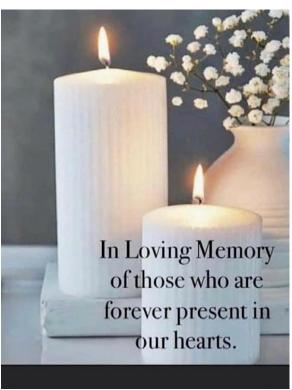
Some of our Iceni children took part in a Multi activity festival at Sunninghill School with children from other schools. They took part in learning skills for rugby, hockey, football & netball. They all participated really well & enjoyed themselves.





# In November we Remember







During November we remember those family & friends who have died.

As is tradition at St Mary's, we pray for these members of our families or close friends during our Liturgies throughout November.

If you would like us to pray for someone who has died, please let the office know their name so that we can mention them in our prayers. Please let us know next week so that they can be included during November.

#### Poppy Appeal

St Mary's Chaplains have be visiting our different classrooms with the RBL items during this week & will visit again at the beginning of next week so that any children who would like to make a donation for an item, can choose one. The RBL suggest a donation of £1.

If you would like your child to have an item, please send them into school with their donation & the Chaplains will take the box round the different classes.











Our golden padlock winner for being a great bike it bear this week was Mrs Peach! Well done Mrs Peach.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Laudato Si Day – Monday 6<sup>th</sup>
November – children to come in home outdoor activity clothes (warm & waterproofs), we will be having a food bank donation area & if you have any apples you can bring in, please do so, for our apple pressing.

We are hoping to have some soup, bread & cakes available to have pick up time for donations to the PTFA.

# Bling your bike 'bike it breakfast' – Friday 17th November

- decorate your bike or scooter with bright or festive items from home, if you arrive at 8.30am there will be croissants, fruit, juice or hot chocolate as a treat outside.

# Support St Mary's PTFA at your next Tesco shop.

If you shop at Tesco in Dorchester, please can we ask that you pop any blue tokens you receive in the St Mary's collection box to help us raise funds for new playground equipment. This is running between October & January next year.



Date	Event
October to	Tesco community
January 2024	project open for
	St Mary's
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Laudato Si Day –
	outdoor home
	clothes,
	waterproofs, etc
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Maurward Class
Nov	visit to Dorchester
	Library (morning)
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> -Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery Rhyme
Nov	Week for
	Kingston &
	Maurward
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Kingston &
	Maurward
	parents/carers
	invited for
	nursery rhymes at
	2.45pm
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Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Individual school
	photos for pupils
	in Maurward to
	Iceni class plus
	any siblings who
	are in any of
	those classes
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	PTFA running the
	Christmas Shop –
	information to
	follow
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Iceni class –
	Journey to the
	Stable event at
	United Church
	(morning)
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> & Wed	Nativity Plays –
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	information to
	follow
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol Service at St
	Mary's – 6.00pm
	– information to
	follow



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

We have been learning about Guy Fawkes Maisie

I've enjoyed
debating in English
for and against
celebrating the 5<sup>th</sup>
November
Alice

We have been learning about what bulbs & seeds need to grow in Science

Have a good weekend.

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