

St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



3rd May 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Iceni class enjoyed their residential trip to Springhead this week where they had a Scavenger Hunt, a beautiful countryside walk, a dip in the pond looking for creatures of interest and toasted marshmallows on the bonfire. Photos to come next week! Meanwhile, at St Mary's, children have enjoyed painting, playing outside, practicing for sport's day and Forest Schools.

Maiden class created characters for Micheal Rosen's The Chocolate Cake:



A swan enjoying the Springhead tranquility

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Maiden Class enjoyed completing an obstacle course this week, using many learned skills.



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A big “Thank you” to Tesco for the £500 cheque for our school. The money will be used to help with our learning resources for our children. The school council will input their ideas on how it is best spent.

Shire Class



I have enjoyed writing about The Song of the Sea - Lilly Anne.

I liked learning about quarters, halves and a whole - Jessica

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COMPETITIONS

DISCO

FRIDAY 10TH MAY

£3
INCLUDES
DRINK & SNACK

DANCING

GAMES

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & 2
3:30-4:30PM

YEAR 3 & 4
4:45-5:45PM

PRIZES

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STEEL INTERNAL DOORS

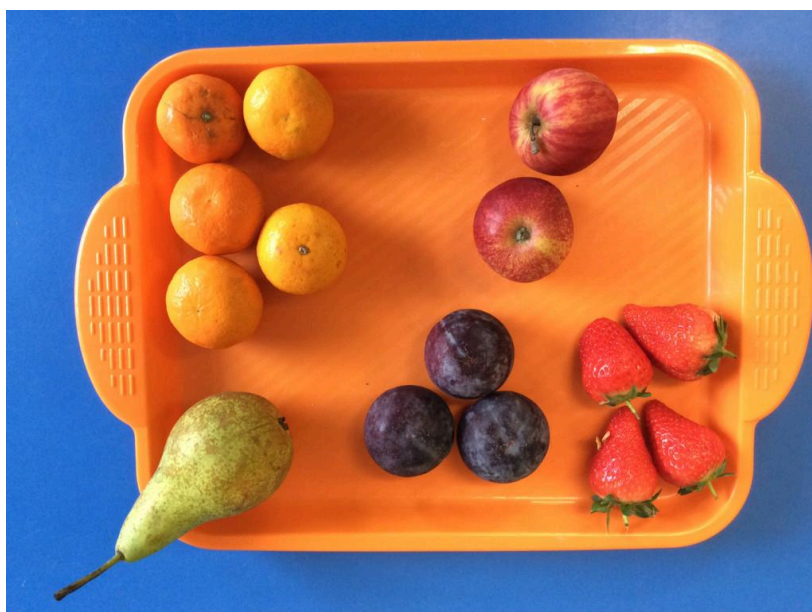
School disco is next Friday (10th May). Tickets are on sale at pick up every day this week and Tuesday and Wednesday next week. £3 per child.

It will be a non uniform day for all pupils so no need for anyone to change for the disco. Reception, year 1 and 2 pupils will be taken straight to the hall after school (no need for any pick up!) and should be collected at 4.30pm. Years 3 and 4 disco starts at 4.45 and pick up is at 5.45.

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Kingston

The children have been very busy this week making Caterpillars and Butterflies - They have enjoyed trying all of the beautiful fruits that the Caterpillar eats in our focus story this week 'The Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle.



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Upcoming events

Date	Event
Wed 1 st - Fri 3 rd May	Iceni class residential trip to the Springhead trust.
Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tues 7 th May	Children return to School
Tues 7 th May	A team of players from Maiden Castle and Iceni classes will be taking part in a football tournament at Dorchester Town Stadium
Fri 10 th May	PTFA School Disco – details to follow
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

Have a good bank holiday weekend. We look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday 7th May**.

Paula Fearn
Headteacher

