

St Mary's Catholic First School Newsletter



28th March 2024



Anning class completing their 20 sponsored laps of the playground for 'School In A Bag', well done.



Dear Parents/Carers,

A great week at St Mary's, pupils from Icen class took part in Bikeability training and managed to avoid the rain! They had a great time and did really well.



Shire class have been baking Easter treats and having great fun doing it.



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Transition to Middle School meetings

Mrs Hudson met with Iceni parents on Monday to talk about transition to Middle School, we hope you found these meetings useful.

SCHOOL IN A BAG Fundraising Update



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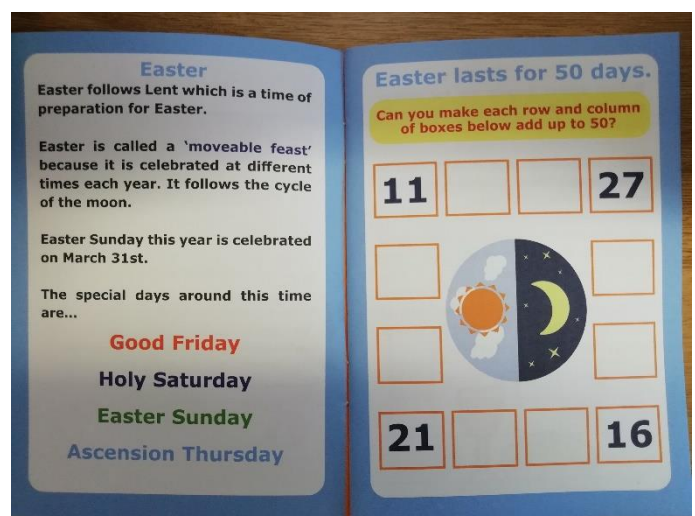
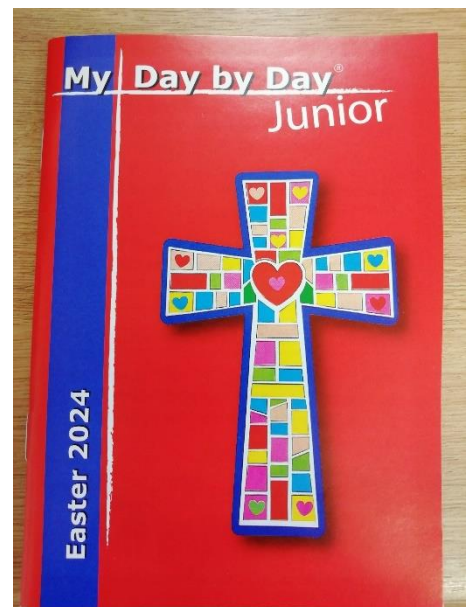
Easter Booklets

The children will have come home this week with an Easter booklet to look at over the Easter holidays, we hope they enjoy them.

Iceni Class have been busy completing their sponsored Scavenger Hunt this week. They all found the 20 items that were 'planted' around the school grounds. We are so grateful to **YOU ALL** for your generosity in supporting the charity. We have already raised well over £1,000 for the charity, which is just such an overwhelming community effort.

THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts.

We are absolutely thrilled that towards the end of term Luke, the CEO of the charity, will travel to St Mary's in a van packed with 'School In A Bag' items and we will hold our very own School In A Bag, bag pack, where everyone will be involved.



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Congratulations

Well done to Iris and Archie who have been taking part in the Monday after school kickboxing club. They competed in a tournament out of school and won a number of medals – well done.



Farewell and Thank You Mrs Hunns

Today we all said a goodbye to Mrs Hunns, who has worked at St Mary's for the past ten and a half years.

Mrs Hunns has been a great member of the St Mary's family with her creativity, her support to the children, especially during lockdown, with her amazing phonics videos, her fun and her commitment. We wish her the very best with her future studies and adventures.

Chaplains' Stations of the Cross

The Chaplains prepared a Stations of the Cross liturgy for Maiden Castle and Iceni classes. It focussed on four of the 15 stations, midway through Jesus' walk to Calvary.

They "sculpted" fellow pupils into a freeze frame visualisation of what was happening at each of the four stations. It was a very fitting remembrance of Jesus' walk which redeemed us all.



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Tues 16 th April	Maurward heights and weights programme
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
Thurs 27 th June	Sports Day – families invited for a picnic lunch and the afternoon races.



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

Upcoming events

Date	Event
Fri 29th March	Easter Holidays
Mon 15th April	Children return to school
Mon 15 th April	Maiden Castle bring & buy sale toy sale for 'School In A Bag'. In the school hall 3.15pm.

We enjoyed making Easter biscuits. We used cutters and got very sticky hands.

Eleri, Elizabeth and Violet

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I enjoyed making the stained glass crosses.

Jasper



I enjoyed counting in 2s, 5s and 10s in Maths.

Robin



We enjoyed playing with the colourful parachute in PE.

All of Shire Class



Have a lovely Easter break with treats, hunts and quality family time. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 15th April.

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Headteacher