



St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

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the world



Dear Parents and carers,

This week, children in all classes have been learning about aspects of gender, race and religious equality as part of the school's equality curriculum. We look forward to sharing some of their work next week.

The weather has turned colder now so please make sure that your child has a warm coat. Many children have very similar looking coats so please make sure their name is on it too. Thank you for your help with this.

With best wishes, Miss Mitchell (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

Remembrance Day...

The School Council have been selling Remembrance poppies on the school gate to raise money for the Royal British Legion in support of injured, sick or wounded service men and women and their families.

All of the children learnt about Remembrance Day during an assembly this week and learnt about the significance of poppies and why they are worn.

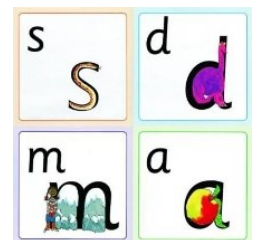
The children will take part in a 2 minute silence on Monday at 11am to remember those who have fought in wars.



How to read with your child at home...

Thank you to the many parents who attended our **Parent Information Coffee Morning** this week where we shared tips on how to read with your child at home.

We talked about how children will be using their phonics to help them sound out and read words. Here is a helpful video for parents on how to say the sounds <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUbrJPAt65g>. This can be found by typing: Ruth Miskin how to say the sounds into YouTube.



Top tips for reading with your child:

- Make a **regular time to read** with your child with no interruptions.
- Make reading a **pleasurable time**. Get excited about books and reading—children will feed off your excitement and want to read more!
- **Read to your child** as well as listening them read to you.
- **Give your child some thinking time** when they get stuck.
- **Prompt your child to use their phonics** (Fred Fingers) to sound out words.



I have received and read the St Mary's C of E Primary School newsletter of 8.11.24

Name of child _____ Class _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

Important dates for your diary...

Wednesday 13th November— School photographer in school

Thursday 14th November 9.05am— Parent Information Coffee Morning— How we teach counting and calculation—All parents welcome

Thursday 21st November— 10am— EYFS and KS1 Autumn Term Music Concert; 2.30pm — KS2 Autumn Term Music Concert

Thursday 28th November 9.05am— Parent Information Coffee Morning—How to manage screen time—All parents welcome

Friday 29th November— Non-uniform Day - children donate £1 to charity to wear their own clothes

Thursday 5th December — ‘ A Wiggly Nativity’ Performance— 10am— Y2 parents; 2.00— Reception and Y1 parents.

6th December— 3.30pm—Christmas Craft sale outside classrooms— Buy your child’s craft for £1.



Person of the Week!

Reception— Alivia
Year 1 - Manassa
Year 2 - Yaseen
Year 3 - Danah
Year 4— Maisy
Year 5 - Karim
Year 6 - Abdulmalik

Attendance...

Congratulations to **Reception** who have been awarded Barney, our Attendance Bear, for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** last week.



Reception had a class attendance of **98%**.

A special mention to the following classes who also had good attendance:

Year 2- 97%

Year 4- 97%

Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are too unwell to come to school.

A reminder that gates open at 8.45am and children should be in school by 9am ready to start their learning.

Work of the Week!

This week’s brilliant piece of work displayed in the school lobby is by Amy in Year 4.



As part of their Equality Studies curriculum, Year 4 have been learning about Martin Luther King, Jr. and his fight for racial equality.

Amy has written an informative and well organised biography detailing the important moments in Martin Luther King Jr.’s life. Amy has used powerful vocabulary and a range of conjunctions to add information.



Well done, Amy!

Our Prayer of the week...

Dear God,
For those who are lonely or sad at this joyful time of year.
For those who are hungry and have no home of their own.
For all in our family,
in our parish and in our school,
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.
Give us hope in our hearts.
Amen



Don’t let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Ms Mitchell or Ms Jackson.

We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.

