



St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Go, shine in the
world and live
as Jesus lived.



Dear Parents and Carers,

Academic Review Day is taking place after half term on Friday 24th February. In this meeting you will speak with your child's teacher about their progress and attainment so far this academic year. Appointment letters were sent out this week— please return the slip as soon as possible.

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



Tuesday 7th February is **Safer Internet Day** and children will be learning about keeping themselves safe online during the week. This is a topic we regularly teach children about in our Keeping Safe curriculum, Computing curriculum and assemblies. Children cannot be take full responsibility for online safety though. Parents must be responsible for safe behaviour online, including when and how children have access.

What should parents be doing to keep children safe online?

Amanda Spielman, His Majesty's Chief Inspector for Ofsted, says children of primary school age should not have smartphones. **"The first thing you can do is not give a child a smartphone. I'm very surprised when primary-aged children have smartphones and even in early secondary school. I'm not comfortable with children having unlimited internet access."**

Even if your child already has a smartphone, you still have the power to change your mind and take it away. There are plenty of parents who don't give their child a smartphone. There's plenty of time when they're much older and more responsible to explore the online world!



"I'm not comfortable with younger children having unlimited internet access," Amanda Spielman, the chief inspector of Ofsted, said
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EDUCATION

Don't give smartphones to children, Ofsted chief warns

Movie Afternoon and Movie Night...

Last Friday, the children thoroughly enjoyed making themselves comfy in the hall whilst watching a film and eating some tasty snacks. All funds raised went to the Children's Society, showing our Christian Value of community. www.childrenssociety.org.uk

A big thank you to the Friends of St Mary's for helping to make this such a successful event.



Do you have any questions about school life?

We are of course, really happy to answer any questions about school, no matter how small :)

Do phone the school office to ask questions or ask to arrange an appointment to see the class teacher.

If you are worried about something, see us straight away. Don't let a little worry turn in to a big one. We also like to hear your good news. It helps to keep us going with a smile :)

Important dates for your diary.....



Monday 13th February-Friday 17th February—
Half Term
Monday 20th February— Children back at school

Thursday 23rd February — Non uniform day

Friday 24th February — Academic Review Day
parents attend school at their appointment time to meet the teacher and receive their child's report

Thursday 2nd March — Word Aware Day

Tuesday 7th March— 3.00—Y1 class prayers

Wednesday 8th March—3.00— Y2 class prayers

Tuesday 14th March — 3.00—Y3 class prayers

Wednesday 15th March— 3.00—Y4 class prayers

Thursday 16th March — 10.00—EYFS/KS1 Spring Term Music Concert; 2.30—KS2 Spring Term Music Concert

Tuesday 21st March— 3.00—Y5 class prayers

Wednesday 22nd March —3.00— Y6 class prayers

31st March— Last day of term

17th April— Start of Summer Term— Children back at school

Judaism workshops...

As part of the RE curriculum, classes had workshops in school to learn more about Judaism, including how some Jewish festivals are celebrated.



Work of the Week...



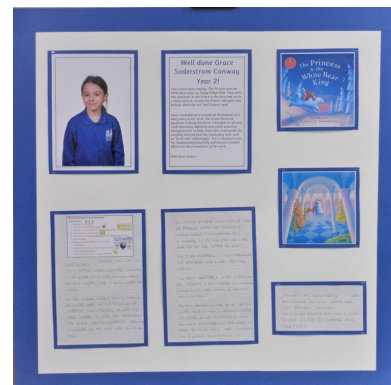
Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby.

As part of Year 2's English curriculum, they have been reading *The Princess and the White Bear King* by Tanya Robyn Batt.

Grace has written a fantastic diary entry in the role of the prince.

Grace remembered to include all of the features of a diary entry and wrote rhetorical questions to bring the prince's thoughts to life.

Well done, Grace!



Person of the Week!

Reception - Dima
Year 1 - Danah
Year 2 - Mataya
Year 3 - Troy
Year 4 - Romy
Year 5 - Mhamed
Year 6 - Marsha

Our Prayer of the week...

Lord Jesus,
Open our ears to hear
The Good News of God's love for
each one of us.
Increase our faith and love for you,
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

