



# St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st October

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



Dear Parents and carers,

It was lovely to see so many families at our Family Fancy Dress Disco last week. A big thank you to the Friends of St Mary's for helping to organise such a fantastic event and for running stalls on the night. A reminder that next week is half term. We are looking forward to seeing the children back at school on Monday 31st October.

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

## Partnership Autumn Football Tournament...

This week Y5 and Y6 children took part in a football tournament with local schools held at St Mary's and St Eugene's Primary Schools. Children were not only awarded points for winning and drawing matches, but also points for fair play. We were delighted that the both the girls team and boys team managed come first in their competitions, through demonstrating fantastic footballing abilities and showing our school values of Respect, Determination, and Community. A huge congratulations to all the St Mary's children who took part and represented the school so well!



## Parents Working Alongside Children in Y1...

On Monday this week, some parents joined Y1 for their Maths lesson. Here were some of the views that parents shared with Ms Mitchell following the session...

*"The use of technology really helps the children understand what they have to do."*

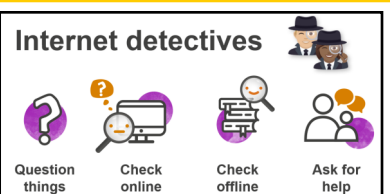
*"My own experience at school was more classical and we did not understand what we were learning like the children do now."*



## Online Safety

This week in assembly, Ms Whiteley talked about how children can keep themselves safe when they are online.

Here are some of the rules that they discussed:



- Do not share personal information (name, address, school) when you don't know who is asking for it and why they want it.
- If something makes you worried, uncomfortable or upset it's always okay to say no.
- If what you're doing online might affect somebody else, always ask their permission first.
- If you're unsure or worried about anything ask an adult for help.

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 31st October**— Children back to school.

**Monday 31st October**— Deadline for secondary school applications to be completed on eAdmissions website— year 6 parents only.

**Monday 1st November**— Nursery settling in meetings— Nursery parents will receive an invitation with their meeting time

**Wednesday 2nd November**— Parent Information Coffee Morning in the school hall— Managing challenging behaviour- All parents welcome.

**Monday 7th November**-Parents working alongside children in Reception- invitation letters will be sent out soon.

**Wednesday 9th November**- Parent Information Coffee Morning in the school hall— How to help your child with homework— All parents welcome

**Wednesday 16th November**— School photograph day

**Wednesday 23rd November**- Parent Information Coffee Morning in the school hall— All parents welcome

**Thursday 24th November**— 10.00— Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 music concert; 2.30—Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 music concert

**Friday 25th November** — Non-uniform day— Children donate £1 to wear their own clothes

**Thursday 1st December**— 10.00 Nativity performance for Y2 parents; 2.00— Nativity performance for Reception and Y1 parents



## Person of the Week!

Reception - Jana  
Year 1 - Karlis  
Year 2 - Ezekiel  
Year 3 - Rayan  
Year 4 - Adam  
Year 5 - Ernie  
Year 6 – Mach

## Parent Information Coffee Morning...

After half term we will be starting our weekly Coffee Mornings again where we will share information and advice on a range of really useful topics.

Our next topic: Managing challenging behaviour

*Would you like to hear some advice on managing your child's behaviour and promoting good behaviour?*

Then come along to our Coffee Morning on **Wednesday 2nd November** in the school hall. Hot drinks and biscuits will be provided. All parents welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.



## Work of the Week...



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

As part of their English learning, Year 1 have been reading 'Beegu' by Alexis Deacon.

Luke has written brilliant sentences to describe Beegu's home. He has started each sentence with a capital letter and finished with a full stop.

Well done, Luke!



## Our prayer of the week...

Dear God,  
O God of Creation,  
You have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.  
Remind us in the season of autumn to take time to rest.

Thank you for the wonder of your creation.  
We know that it is you who give us the breath of life.  
Amen



# St Mary's Family Fancy Dress Disco

