



St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Go, shine in
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 Marsham (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

History: Year 6 Trip to The Imperial War Museum

Year 6 have been learning about the impact of World War Two on London. We visited the Imperial War Museum to explore the World War Two exhibit and met Kitty Baxter, an evacuee from the war. Kitty told us her story and explained what life was like in London during the war. She was evacuated three times throughout the war and we learnt about the challenges and hardships she went through during that time. This experience brought to life the children's learning, creating long lasting memories.



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 are a helpful videos for parents on how to say the sounds in different phases <https://www.littlewandle.org.uk/resources/for-parents/#tabnametabSupportForPhonics>



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** to sound out words using their fingers.



I have received and read the St Mary's C of E Primary School newsletter of 7.11.25

Name of child _____ Class _____

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

Important dates for your diary...

Tuesday 11th November– Y6 Junior Citizen Trip

Wednesday 12th November– School Photographs

Thursday 13th November– Coffee Morning–
Managing stress and anxiety in children

Thursday 13th November- CRICK Institute
workshops Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y6

Friday 14th November– Valerie Bloom author visit

Monday 17th November– Y4 History off the Page
workshop

Thursday 20th November– Coffee Morning– How
can I support my child with Timetables

Friday 21st November– Y1 and Rec Zoo Lab
workshop

Wednesday 26th November– Y3 Iron Age workshop

Thursday 27th November - EYFS and Key Stage 2
music concert at 10.00 am

Thursday 27th November - Key Stage 2 Music
concert at 2.00pm

Wednesday 3rd December– Y5 Trip to the Crick
Institute



Person of the Week!

Reception– Ines

Year 1 - Irena

Year 2 - Kylah– Grace

Year 3 - Hafsa

Year 4– Arsema

Year 5 - Yannis

Year 6 - Rama

Attendance...

Congratulations to **Year 4**
who have been awarded
Barney, our Attendance Bear, for
having the **BEST ATTENDANCE**
last week.



Year 4 had a class attendance of **98%**.

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

Year 1- 97%

Year R, Year 3 and 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 Amnen 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.



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

Well done, Amnen!

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 Marsham or Ms Jackson.

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

