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St Mary's Newsletter 03.05.2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

It's been a busy few weeks with lots of exciting lessons in school. Our Superstar pupils of the week are below for you to see.

We hope you enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend!

Mrs Janet McKinlay

Headteacher

Mad Science Water Assembly







Diary Date Reminders

Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 7 th May	School Opens at 8.30am
Wednesday 8 th May	Year 3 Swimming Kids with Bricks Lego Club 3-4pm Years 1- 6 www.kidswithbricks.com to book your child's place.
Thursday 9 th May & Friday 10 th May	Year 5 Level 2 Bikeability
Monday, 13 th till Thursday 16 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Thursday 16 th May to Friday 17 th May	Year 3 Petty Pool Trip
Friday 24 th May	School finishes at 3.00pm
Monday (Bank Holiday) 27 th May to Friday 7 th June	Half Term
Monday 10 th June	School Opens at 8.30am
Monday 24 th June	Sports Day (Advanced Notice) <i>Key Stage 2 - AM will commence after morning registration at approx 9am.</i> <i>Key Stage 1 -PM will commence at approx 1pm.</i>
Wednesday 26 th June to Friday 28 th June	Year 6 Abernant Lake Trip

Residentials

School Trip Reminders

Please pay on ParentPay

Cost	Place	Year Group	Date
£105.50 due 15 th March 2024	Petty Pool	3	16th May to 17th May 2024
£295.00 due 28 th April 2024	Abernant Lake	6	26th June to 28th June 2024

PE Timetable

PE & Swimming Timetable

Day of week	PE	Swimming
Monday	Reception, Y2, Y3,Y4, Y5	
Wednesday	Y1, Y2, Y4, Y5, Y6	Year 3
Thursday	Reception	
Friday	Y1, Y6	

Children are to wear their PE kit on their PE & swimming day.

Updated Spring / Summer Menu 2024

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Please note on Tuesday 7th May, the menu will be Monday Week 1's menu choice

Year 6 SATS Week

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Dear Parents,

The week beginning Monday 13th May is SATs week! The timetable for the week will be:

Monday 13 th May	Grammar and Punctuation Paper 1 (45 minutes) Grammar and Punctuation Paper 2 – Spelling (20 minutes)
Tuesday 14 th May	English Reading Test (60 minutes)
Wednesday 15 th May	Mathematics Arithmetic Paper 1 (30 minutes) Mathematics Reasoning Paper 2 (40 minutes)
Thursday 16 th May	Mathematics Reasoning Paper 3 (40 minutes)

It is vital that the children are in school and on time every day this week. If children attend late or miss days, in accordance with the rules, they will be isolated from their peers until they have completed the papers in order to avoid prior exposure to test content.

Please ensure that the children have plenty of fresh air and do the things that they enjoy the weekend before the tests. We don't want them to spend the weekend revising or worrying! Throughout the week, it would be helpful if they could have early nights in order to help them perform to the best of their ability.

Breakfast Club

As we have done in the past, we will be running a separate Year 6 Breakfast Club for these 4 mornings. Children will be able to come into the Year 6 classroom from 8.00am giving them chance to relax, enjoy breakfast with their friends and start the day in a clear frame of mind. There will be no cost for this to parents.

Jack's Park

On the afternoon of Thursday 16th May, we would like to take the children to Jack's Park for the afternoon to celebrate the end of SATs week (weather permitting). We will also take a snack and a drink down for each of them. Please give permission on ParentPay if you are happy for your child to go to the park and use the play equipment by Monday 6th May.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support over the past two years. We are very proud of how hard the children have worked to get to this point and know that they will all do brilliantly!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with one of us.

Many thanks,
Mrs Hughes and Mrs Walker

¹https://www.stmarysmiddlewich.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/25999570

Young Language Learner Award 2024



To enter this competition: write a comic strip in a foreign language (it CANNOT be your mother tongue) on the theme 'team spirit'.

You must use the official template to write your comic strip (collect from reception or from Mme Dellapiana).

Hand in your completed work by Wednesday 22th May.

You can write in **French** on another foreign language, but you cannot use your mother tongue.

GOOD LUCK!

Mme Dellapiana

Children aged 6-11 are invited to enter this year.

To take part they need to **produce a comic strip in French** (or another foreign language which is NOT their mother tongue) on the theme of 'Team spirit'. To participate they must draw the comic strip on the official competition templates, which can be collected from the office or from Mme Dellapiana.

The deadline to hand in the entries is Wednesday 22nd May.

Calligram competition success

Thank you very much to all the pupils who submitted entries for the French Calligrams competition organised by the Association for Language Learning.

I am happy to report that Albie Keller's (Y3) and Jemima Riddell's (Y6) creations were selected to appear in the electronic publication in the age 7-9 and 9-11 category respectively. Well done to them both!

You can see all the winning calligrams following these links

Volume 1 : 7-9 year-olds

<https://read.bookcreator.com/5S1C2SwE7fQVulScBfF0igGECsh2/KnJ8YNTiS4Ka2ZGj-ddZbQ>

Volume 2: 9-11 year-olds

https://read.bookcreator.com/5S1C2SwE7fQVulScBfF0igGECsh2/9c5cc1z4QEI_qVHK8di2ew

Why not have a go at the next language competition by creating a simple comic strip in a foreign language for the Bee Small Young Language Learner Award? Details above and templates available from the office and Mme Dellapiana.

Holiday Club

The School Sports Company
Professional Sports Coaching

**MONDAY 3RD JUNE
TO FRIDAY 7TH JUNE
2024**

THE SCHOOL SPORTS COMPANY, 40 Windmill Rd,
Walkden, Manchester, M283RP. 07572 553 362
garyssc@hotmail.co.uk

WHIT ½ TERM MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

The School Sports Company are pleased to confirm that Coaches Gary, Jack and George will be running a whit ½ term holiday activity camp at St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Middleswich for all school pupils. As School Sports Company is the no. 1 sports coaching company in the Northwest, your child can enjoy the following:

OUTDOOR SPORTS, ADVENTURING, INDOOR ACTIVITIES, CLIMB, ARTS & CRAFTS, INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES AND MUCH MORE!

In addition, children will learn about the skills of various sports and enjoy indoor & outdoor activities by participating in fun based coaching sessions.

AGE: 4 – 11 years old **Times:** 08:15am to 5:30pm (pick up from 3.30pm)

All sessions will take place indoor / outdoors weather permitting

PACKED LUNCH / DRINKS REQUIRED

COST: £25 per day, or £100.00 for the whole week (5 days)
Reduced rate for siblings of £80.00 per week (£20 per day)

ALL STAFF ARE:
FULLY QUALIFIED
Experienced professional sports coaches
DBS checked
Fully insured
1st Aid Qualified

FUTURE HOLIDAY CAMPS – AUGUST 2024,
FURTHER DETAILS COMING SOON

There will be a holiday club running at St Mary's from 3rd June to 7th June 2024 run by Coach Gary, Coach Jack and Coach George. This is the second week of the Whit holiday. Sessions will run from 8.15 am to 5.30 pm. Charges: £25 a day or £100 per week. If this would be of interest to you, please contact Coach Gary directly on garyssc@hotmail.co.uk²

Coach Gary intends to run a holiday club during all our holiday periods going forward.

²<mailto:garyssc@hotmail.co.uk>

The Ducklings Venture Out!

For a short period of time, the ducklings are able to enjoy the sunshine outside thanks to Mr and Mrs Turnbull erecting the enclosure purchased by the PTA the previous year.



Year 5 & 6 Football Competition

Year 5 & 6 Football Competition took place at Middlewich High School on Tuesday 30th April.

St Mary's Team 1 came 3rd with 14 points and St Mary's Team 2 came 4th with 13 points. It was a very close competition and they all played brilliantly with great teamwork and determination.

Well done St Mary's!

Sports Day Monday 24th June

Parents are welcome to attend. Seating will be available on the field. Please stay within designated zones.

Key Stage 2 Sports event will be in the morning and will commence after morning registration at approx 9am. Key Stage 1 events will be in the afternoon and will start at approx 1pm. Please ensure your child/ren have suncream, hats and water bottles.

Digital Inclusion



FREE IT SESSIONS

**DO YOU LACK CONFIDENCE IN
FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND YOUR
PHONE, LAPTOP OR DEVICE?**

**If so, please come along to St Mary's Catholic
Primary School (Manor Lane, Middlewich) on:**

Saturday 13th April
Saturday 18th May
Saturday 29th June

3 —3.45pm—Help with phones and tablets
4 —4.45pm—Help with using Word, Excel etc.

**Refreshments provided by
Able Together**

**For more information, please contact Lucie
Ferneyhough on 07929 717909 or
lucie.ferneyhough@cheshireeast.gov.uk**

Anyone needing a little bit of advice or support to familiarise themselves with mobile phone apps or programmes such as excel, come along. Open to St Mary's parents/carers/grandparents and the wider local community.

The time of these sessions is reverting to 10 am till noon.

Send Drop In Sessions

Drop in dates April-July 24

SEND 0-19+ health practitioners SEND Drop In (On behalf of health visitor/school nursing services Cheshire East) for parents/children & Young people for support/signposting/guidance with all SEND related issues and helping to understand why your child may be struggling and ideas that may help. Think your child may have SEND and not sure where to go or what to do? Please note that for some of the Little Stars groups some of our SEND champions from our health visiting team will be in attendance rather than the 0-19 SEND health practitioners

Monks Coppenhall SEND hub

Remer Street

Crewe

CW1 4LY

Sandbach Children's Centre

Crewe Road

Sandbach

CW11 4NS

SEND 0-19+ health practitioners SEND Drop In for parents/children & Young people for support/signposting/guidance with all SEND related issues (On behalf of health visitor/school nursing services Cheshire East) South Locality

0-19+ years Drop in 10am-12pm & 1-3pm

Monks SEND hub 15th April 2024

Monks SEND hub 13th May 2024

Monks SEND hub 10th June 2024

Monks SEND hub 8th July 2024

0-8 years @ Little Stars Group 1-2.30pm South locality

Sandbach Childrens Centre -29th April 2024

Sandbach Childrens Centre – 24th June 2024

Fund Raising

A huge thank you to all the pupils in the school for raising £422.78 for the Good Shepherd Appeal and to Year 4 for raising £25.00 for CAFOD.



Cake sale 7th May

The Mini Vinnies have already raised £40 for the Sudan Crisis Appeal by selling badges made by Madame Dellapiana.

They are also holding a cake sale on **Tuesday 7th May** to raise funds for CAFOD to support people in Sudan who are facing a devastating and growing crisis. A year of conflict has forced over 8 million people to flee their homes to escape violence and they now face another crisis - hunger. Cakes will go on sale for £0.50 pence each.

Please can you support them buy sending in shop bought cakes on Tuesday morning.



Attendance



The Department for Education (DfE), Ofsted and the North West Association of Directors of Children's Services (NWADCS) have committed to working together to help schools to improve pupils' rates of attendance across the North West region. As such, they will be working with schools, multi-academy trusts and local authorities across the region to share best practice around improving pupils' rates of attendance and reducing persistent absence.



Well done Stars of The Week!

Week ending 26.04.2024

Reception	Indie Barnes
Year 1	Rachel Szymczak-Barnes
Year 2	Uriel Omosoluyi
Year 3	Harry Welsh
Year 4	Penelope Shallcross
Year 5	Annika Rivers
Year 6	Tillie-Rae Lamph
After School Club	Finlay Quilliam

Week ending 03.05.2024

Reception	Poppy Johnson
Year 1	Wesley Ward
Year 2	Cory Parkinson
Year 3	Benjamin Hughes
Year 4	Harry Connor
Year 5	Oscar Pearce
Year 6	George Clay
After School Club	Faith Stevens

ParentPay Accounts

Please can you check your ParentPay accounts for each child are up to date.

The school operates a NO DEBT rule relating to the provision of school meals so please ensure your school meal account is in credit for the week ahead.

Please note this message does not apply to school trip items which already have payments schedules in place.

We would like to thank all parents / carers that pay promptly, as this ensures that all money that is for children's learning is available.

After School & Breakfast Club bookings

Please book on ParentPay.

The cut-off date for Breakfast Club bookings is 11am the day before the booking.

The cut-off date for After School Club bookings is 11am on the day.

This is so that staffing and numbers can be set and managed.

Users will be able to cancel and make changes to their booking up until the booking cut off time.

If a child is picked up late from After School Club a charge of £5 will be made for every 15 minutes beyond the collection time.

After the cut off time, if a child is booked into a club and does not attend, the fee will still apply as the charge relates to the place being held not the actual attendance.

Clubs prices

Breakfast Club	£4.50 7.30am to 8.30am
After School Club	£4.00 3pm to 4pm Fruit & drink provided
	£6.50 4pm to 6pm Snack & drink provided at 4pm
	£10.50 3pm to 6pm - Sibling's price is £8.50

The Breakfast Club and After School Club number for emergencies operates whilst the club is running
0777 4496 483

Morning Registration & End of Day Release

Morning registration takes place at 8.30am each morning. Please ensure your child arrives to school on time and has everything for the day ahead.

To ensure a smooth end of day release for children, please can Parent's / Carer's ensure any messages regarding alternative collection arrangements are relayed to the teacher first thing in a morning or to the office by 2pm latest and if your child is not booked into a club, please ensure they are collected on time at 3pm.

Contacting the School

Absence

- Reporting an absence, please ring 01606 516 171 & select option 1, by 9am latest each day. State child's full name, class and reason for absence.

Email finance@stmrc.uk³ for:

- ParentPay & School Club queries
- Medical appointments & Absence Requests

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