

Newsletter

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St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Woodbridge Road, Ipswich, IP4 4EU

<http://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryipswich.com/>



Key Dates w/c 28th October

30th October: Open morning 9.30am

31st October: Open afternoon 1.30pm

1st November: All Saints Mass 2.30pm

4th November: Flu Immunisation Yrs Rec – Yr 6
7th November: Photos (Individual & siblings in school)

7th November: Yr 3 Parish Mass 9.15am

**** NO ORCHESTRA – 5TH NOVEMBER**



Tweet of the Week



'We need others in order to live and to share the love and trust that the Lord gives us.'

Pope Francis @pontifex

Welcome to this week's newsletter:

SAFEGUARDING ISSUE:

In order for parents to leave the car park safely, it is essential that cars do not park opposite the exit.

Please be considerate to others when parking. And remember, we ask this for the safety of your children.



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Open Morning
9.30am on Wednesday 30th October

Open Afternoon
1.30pm on Thursday 31st October

for prospective parents of children starting school in September 2020

There will be an opportunity to meet our Head of School Mrs Berry,
find out more about St Mary's
and have a short tour of our school

Please call the school office on 01473 728372 to book onto one of the sessions

The session should last about 40 minutes.

Flu Immunisation reminder

All years received a letter dated 9th September regarding flu immunisation. Please follow the link on the letter, and given again below, to confirm or decline the flu immunisation for your child/children <https://tinyurl.com/yxa85r2h> The link will close on the 28th October. The nurse will be coming into school on 4th November to give the vaccines. Thank you.

REMINDER: 5TH NOVEMBER: NO ORCHESTRA

Reminders:

Year 6 Parents: applications for all Suffolk High Schools

Applications for all Suffolk High Schools have to be submitted to the Local Authority by the **31st October 2019**. In addition, the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) should be completed and sent to St Alban's by 31st October 2019.

Important reminder: Snacks and Allergies

May we remind parents that due to a child being severely allergic, please **do not give your child Nutella/chocolate spread sandwiches or any nut items to bring into school**. Thank you. Also, if you are supplying your child with a morning snack item, please ensure that it is **fruit only**.

Events at St Mary's this week:

On Monday, we had a fantastic day of Bollywood Dance Workshops as we learned about Diwali from Tina at Jaya Dance. We heard the story of Diwali and dressed up in traditional Indian clothing before Tina taught us a traditional dance. Everyone had an amazing time!



On Wednesday, PC Woodmansee (Community Engagement Officer) came into school to speak to the children about being a police officer. They asked lots of interesting questions and PC Woodmansee was very interesting to listen to. He said he was inspired to be a police officer by his desire to help people.



On Thursday, we had a visit from Kate of Community Badminton. There were lots of fun games and the offer of some badminton taster sessions. A card has gone home with the children.

Also on Thursday, in the afternoon, M&M Productions performed The Railway Children for us in the school hall. The children were utterly engrossed in this classic tale. A big thank you to parents for supporting us and allowing us to make this possible.



Jenny McGhee Wallace (KS2 Leader)

Ipswich School Games Boys Football Tournament:

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The boys made a great start to the tournament and carried that form throughout the group stage, winning all group games against St Johns 3-0, Sidegate 1-0, Grundisbrough 3-0 and St Helens 5-0. Semi Finals we came up against a good Woodbridge side, only managing to draw 1-1 which meant penalties! Thankfully we got through the shoot-out and booked a spot in the final against Cedarwood. The weather really took its toll on the game and forced one mistake from the boys which allowed Cedarwood to score the only goal of the game. 2nd out of 20 schools, **well done boys!!**



TRIPS – Please pay via parentmail if not already done so. Paying through parentmail confirms your permission for your child to take part. Thank you.

Year 6 - BT Adastral Park – 6th November

Year 6 – Ipswich Museum – 29th November

Year 5 – BT Adastral Park – 6th November

Year 5 – West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village – 14th November

Year 4 – Colchester Synagogue – 18th November

Year 4 – BT Adastral Park – 20th November

Year 3 – Colchester Synagogue – 19th November

Christmas Dinner - deadline for ordering is Monday 11th November (whole school)

Christmas Dinner will be on **Thursday 5th December**. The dinner is free for Reception and KS1 children, and £2.30 for KS2 children – same price as normal school meal. You can pay for the meal in the usual way via Parentmail. **Please note there will be no alternative hot meal on that day**, so if your child does not want Christmas dinner he/she will need to bring a packed lunch.



Please complete the menu choice reply slip below and return to the school office as soon as possible and no later than Monday 11th November, to meet the deadline for our school cook to place the food order. Thank you.

Order Form is at the end of the newsletter.

St Mary's Marketplace Calendar

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will have seen on the school website there are some lovely new pictures on the home page showing our school in all its glory! If you haven't seen them yet, please check out the website as there are also some wonderful new pictures of each class in action and a new curriculum area giving information and more pictures showing all the subjects the children learn about.

The pictures on the home page were taken by KS2 children as part of the 'St Mary's Marketplace' after school club. Guided by a professional photographer, the children planned, composed and took some pictures of a very high standard which we propose to share with you in a calendar for 2020 - yes it's nearly here!

We would like to create an A4 size 2020 calendar in full colour, landscape orientation, with one page picture and one page dates (so when in use the calendar would be 2 pages, A3 in size). This calendar would feature 13 pictures taken by the children, professionally typeset and printed. What a wonderful present for family, friends and of course your kitchen too.

Now, the cost - as you can appreciate for a relatively small print run there is a premium to pay. For example to print 1 calendar it would cost £20+. So, if we can get a print run above 100 copies the cost would fall to approximately £6 per calendar. Much more reasonable, I'm sure you'll agree.

What we would like to do is offer the calendar on a PRE-order basis. If you would like to have a copy of the calendar, you register with your name, child's name and class and how many (!) you'd like. If we get sufficient orders we will go ahead with the print run and invoice you when they arrive. No money will be sought or collected until we know we have 100+ on order. Please be sure you want the calendar as the pre-order will be what you are invoiced on, and the calendar(s) will be supplied once paid for.

I am sure you'll agree this is a great way of recognising the skills acquired by the children, with a little bit of fundraising for the after school club and a useful way for you to support what we are achieving here at St Mary's.

Thank you, God bless

Mrs Ridall and Miss Mudd

Order form is at the end of the newsletter.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH ORDER FORM REPLY SLIP

Christmas Lunch will take place on **Thursday 5th December**. **Please complete and return this form to the school office by Monday 11th November latest.** Christmas Lunch is free for KS1 children and is £2.30 for KS2 children. Please pay for the meal in the usual way via Parentmail at the beginning of December.



Please clearly tick your menu choice – one main course and one dessert.

British roast turkey with Local Sausage, Sage & Onion stuffing and gravy served with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables

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OR

Quorn Roast with Sage & Onion stuffing and gravy served with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables

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Christmas Pudding and Custard

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OR

Ice Cream Tub with Festive Shortbread Biscuit

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Name of child: _____ **Year** _____

St Mary's Calendar Pre-order Form Please return this to the office by Friday 1st November

Parent/Carer's Name:

Child's name: Year:

Number of calendars to order(no maximum, as many as you like!). I agree to buy the above number of calendars at the price of £6 per calendar.

Signed Name (in capitals)

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Date for your diary – this year's **Friends of St Mary's PTA Christmas Fair** will be held on **Wednesday 27th November** 1:30pm til 4:30pm in the church hall. Further details to follow.

Friends of St Mary's PTA News

Aldi's Kit for Schools

We're collecting Team GB stickers with **Aldi's Kit for Schools** for the chance to be one of 20 primary schools to win £20,000 to build a health legacy at our school!

From 6 September–3 November when you spend £30 or more in any Aldi store, you'll receive a special Team GB sticker – if our school works together to collect 300 stickers, we will automatically receive an exclusive school sports kit, in addition to entry into the £20,000 prize draw! Please send any stickers you receive into school with your children, or bring them in yourself and we will add them to our Aldi's Kit for Schools sticker poster.

The Aldi's Kit for Schools campaign supports the aims of Get Set to Eat Fresh, Aldi and Team GB's award-winning school's programme, which has already beaten its target to reach 1.2 million young people in the UK by 2020, reaching over 1.5 million young people since its inception. We hope everyone will enjoy collecting Team GB stickers and exploring healthy eating this term. Remember, Aldi's Kit for Schools Team GB stickers are available until 3 November when shopping in any Aldi store. If you want to find out more about Aldi's Kit for Schools you can visit getseteatfresh.co.uk/kitforschools

Thank you so much for your support – we look forward to receiving any stickers you collect! **Our sticker post box in the school reception area.**



Requests from the FOSM PTA –

If you are having a clearout over half term, please could you consider donating the following:

Toys – we would love your good condition toys /complete games and jigsaws etc for the toy tombola. Anything suitable for primary aged children Reception up to and including Year 6 would be great. Teddies and soft toys are welcome for the adopt a teddy stall.

Unwanted gifts – we’ve all got them lying around. Those smellies that you got from the office Secret Santa, very nice but not your brand? The brand new fluffy scarf from Great Aunt Sue that just wasn’t your colour? Gift sets? Bath stuff, mini gin with glasses, real ale, candles, candles, and more candles? Bring them in. We’d love to find them a new home, either in the raffle or on a gift stall.

Books – this year we’re going to try a book stall, so if you have books in very good condition we’d be very happy to accept them. Good condition baby board books are fine but ideally we’d like the majority to be suitable and enjoyable for primary aged children.

For all donations, please either catch a member of the PTA on the playground, or leave it with the office and we will move it into the PTA shed.

And finally, **business raffle prizes / sponsorship** - parents and carers please can you find out if your workplaces, or businesses known to you, could provide anything in support of the Christmas fair. This fits in with our drive to work with the local community.

We’ve had some incredible local business parent sourced donations in the past year - cash donations from Farthings and Greenspace to sponsor the fair and boost the raffle prizes, Wacky Warehouse passes, Mariners’ vouchers, Clip and Climb, PartyMan World, Jimmy’s Farm passes, the list goes on.

It all helps to make the fair an enjoyable experience if we can offer good quality and varied prizes that are worth winning.

We’re essentially looking for raffle prizes, sponsorship, or potentially sponsoring some good quality signage so we could alert the local community about the fair. If any of you can help in any way, we would be incredibly grateful. If needed, I’m happy to add detail about what we’re fundraising for, how the sponsorship would be used, what we can do in return. I can also speak directly to business contacts or send something in writing on headed Friends’ of St Mary’s paper –

If you can help, please catch me (Marge Jessop – mum of Hollie Year 1 and Lily Year 5) on the playground or send me a message [07739011619](tel:07739011619). Thank you in advance.

ST MARY'S - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

4 th Nov:	Flu Immunisation
7 th Nov:	Year 3 Parish Mass 9.15am
11 th Nov:	Anti-Bullying Week
13 th Nov:	Year R, 1 and 2 Class Liturgy 2.30pm
13 th Nov:	Scholastic Book Fair (13 th -19 th Nov)
14 th Nov:	Year 5 to West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village
14 th Nov:	Year 4 Parish Mass 9.15am
15 th Nov:	Year 6 Suffolk Junior School Mock Trial competition, Ipswich Crown Court
18 th Nov:	Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.00pm
18 th Nov:	Year 4 RE trip to Colchester Jewish Synagogue (as part of Alternative Faith Week)
19 th Nov:	Year 3 RE trip to Colchester Jewish Synagogue (as part of Alternative Faith Week)
20 th Nov:	Parents Evening 4.30pm-7.00pm
21 st Nov:	Year 5 Parish Mass 9.15am
22 nd Nov:	RE Parents Assembly 2.45pm
26 th Nov:	Year 6 Parish Mass 9.15am
27 th Nov:	Christmas Fair Yrs 1-6
29 th Nov:	Year 6 Ipswich Museum
2 nd Dec:	Year 4 Class Mass 2.30pm
3 rd Dec:	Reception Nativity 2.15pm
5 th Dec:	KS1 Advent Service
6 th Dec:	Reception Nativity 2.15pm
7 th Dec:	Year 6 Messy Messiah at St John's: afternoon rehearsal & evening performance
10 th Dec:	KS1 Nativity 2pm
11 th Dec:	KS2 Play 2pm
12 th Dec:	KS Play 9am
17 th Dec:	Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm
18 th Dec:	Christmas Ensemble



St. John's CEVAP School Annual

FAMILY FIREWORK DISPLAY

Friday 1st November 2019

Gates open at 6pm. Display starts at 7.30pm.

Ransomes Sports & Social Club, Sidegate Avenue, Ipswich IP4 4JJ

TICKETS

Advance tickets Adult £4, Child (4-18yrs) £3
On the gate Adult £5, Child (4-18yrs) £4

Ticket outlets until 10am Friday 1st November:
Premier shops: Foxhall Road Parliament Road & Henslow Road
Co-op Shops: 65 Colchester Road & 113 Cauldwell Hall Road,
Taste Cafe Woodbridge Road,
Noahs Ark Pre-School Cauldwell Hall Road,
Brunswick Road Post Office & Spa Woodbridge Road

**FOOD DRINKS AND FAIRGROUND
ATTRACTIONS FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

**PERSONAL FIREWORKS,
SPARKLERS & ALCOHOL
PROHIBITED AT THIS EVENT**

**PARKING ON SITE FOR
BLUE BADGE HOLDERS ONLY.
FREE PARKING AT
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH IP4 4QE**