Newsletter

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Key Dates w/c 14th October

14th Oct: Diwali Celebration Dance
15th Oct: Year 6 Parish Mass 9.15am
15th Oct: Curriculum Evening 6.00pm
16th Oct: Harvest Festival 2.30pm
16th Oct: FOSM AGM 7pm in school
17th Oct: Year 5 Parish Mass 9.15am
17th Oct: Year 3 Class Mass/Liturgy 9.00am

17th Oct: M & M Productions in school The Railway Children 1.45pm

Half Term 21st - 25th October





Tweet of the Week

"The true face of love is mercy.

Practicing it, we become a disciple of
Jesus and the heart of the Father shows
Itself."

Pope Francis @pontifex

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Curriculum Evening

We look forward to seeing you at our Autumn Term Curriculum Evening for parents on **Tuesday 15th October at 6pm** in the school hall. The evening will include three presentations:

- School performance results 2018-19
- Multiplication Strategies
- Our school drivers

While we understand there may be a childcare problem for some parents, this meeting is designed for adults, not children – who often find the meeting tiring and can become unsettled. The meeting is an opportunity for parents to hear about the work of different aspects of school life - please try to attend.

Harvest Festival

Please join us for our Harvest Festival celebration on **Wednesday 16th October** at **2:30pm** in St Mary's church.



We are asking for kind donations of non-perishable food; those that have a long use-by date (2020 onwards). If you would prefer donate perishable items please ensure they are fresh and in good condition, and bring them into school on **Tuesday 15**th **October**. Thank you.



This year all the donations will be going towards FIND, which is a local Christian-based charity set up in the 1990s that distributes the food to those in need in the local area.

We look forward to celebrating with you in church on the **16th October**.

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 **31**st **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

Please 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**.

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.

M & M Theatre Production - The Railway Children for whole school

If you haven't already paid the £4.00, and are able to do so, please could payment be made as soon as possible. Thank you.

Diwali Dance Celebration - whole school

If you haven't already done so please make payment of £3.00 for the Diwali Dance Celebration as soon as possible. Thank you.

FORTHCOMING TRIPS – PAYMENTS DUE NEXT WEEK PLEASE:

Year 6 - BT Adastral Park

Year 6 – Ipswich Museum

Year 5 - West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village

Year 4 – Colchester Synagogue

Year 3 – Colchester Synagogue



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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

<u>Christmas Dinner - deadline for ordering is Monday 11th November (whole school)</u>

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.

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**. <u>Christmas Lunch is free for KS1 children and is £2.30 for KS2 children</u>. <u>Please pay for the meal in the usual way via Parentmail at the beginning of December</u>.



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

British roast turkey with Local Sausage, Sage & Onion stuffin potatoes and seasonal vegetables <i>OR</i> Quorn Roast with Sage & Onion stuffing and gravy served wi		_
seasonal vegetables	_	_
Christmas Pudding and Custard		
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Ice Cream Tub with Festive Shortbread Biscuit		_
Name of child:	Year	

Friends of St Mary's PTA News

Bag2School Fundraising

Many thanks to everyone who kindly donated bags of clothes/textiles etc. to support this fundraising activity for our school.

School

FOSM AGM

Reminder that the Friends of St Mary's is on AGM on Wednesday 16th October

at 7pm in the school. We will be discussing exciting events planned for the coming school year and an update on our fundraising project to develop the outdoor learning spaces. Please do come along and support. It's really important we have enough people helping with these fundraising events so they can take place. Whether you're a new parent to the school or a veteran now, we really value your support and would love to see you there to help us make your children's time at St Mary's special. Thank you.

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

Collect and win with Aldi's Kit for Schools. This September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick start a health legacy for their school What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aidi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! 1. Collect. Pick up a Team GB sticker whenever you spend £30 in any Aldi store, and bring the stickers into school to add to our Aldi's Kit for Schools poster 2. Explore. Throughout this term we will be using each poster's 150 healthy challenges and further resources from Aldi and Team GB's education programme, Get Set to Eat Fresh, to create healthy moments in assembly the classroom and at home 3. Win. Complete the poster with 300 Team GB stickers to receive a school sports kit and the chance for us to win a cash prize of £20,000 to build a health legacy at our school. Find out more and get stuck in at

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.**

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

St Mary's School Friends of St Mary's Registered Charity No. 103653

4th October 2019

Dear Families and Friends,

Friends of St Mary's PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM)

We would like to give notice of the AGM of the Friends of St Mary's, to be held on Wednesday 16th October. The evening will start at 7pm with the PTA Annual General Meeting, followed by teas and coffees in the school hall.

Friends of St Mary's plays a vital part in the school community and all parents, as members of the FOSM, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped to raise have been used for the benefit of the children at our school and share your ideas for future plans.

The AGM is also an opportunity for you to elect the Committee, who represent the association throughout the forthcoming year. Nominations should be sent in advance of the AGM for anyone wishing to stand as an Officer or Ordinary Committee Member, for the first time. Existing committee members wishing to stand for re-election do not have to be nominated again but should inform Friends of St Mary's of their intention to stay in their role.

If you would like any further information about being a Committee Member, please speak to your Class Rep. As we are registered charity, all committee members automatically become Trustees of the Charity. Before submitting your nomination form, please read the Charity Commission publication 'The Essential Trustee – What you need to know (CC3)'. A copy of the booklet can be found on the Charity Commission website.

Please return the slips below as soon as possible, or by Monday 14th October at the latest to Nicola Campbell at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you on 16th October

Kind Regards,

Nicola Campbell Chair Friends of St Mary's

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I/We shall/shall not be attending the AGM Evenir	ng on 16 th October
Signed	Print Name
NOMINATION FOR OFFICER/MEMBER OF THE PT	TA COMMITTEE
Nominee For position of: Chair/Vice Chair/Secretary/Treas	urer/Ordinary Committee Member [Circle one]
Nominated by Se [Please sign and print name]	econded by[Please sign and print name]
I (nominee name) agree to r	ny nomination for the position of
Signed	Date



Premier Camps are the ultimate healthy choice for your child this holiday! You can rest assured they'll have the best time, trying all sorts of activities, sports and performing arts all tailored to their relevant age groups.

Parents can have the peace of mind in knowing that all of our staff are fully insured and DBS checked with Safeguarding and Emergency Aid Certification.

Timings and Pricing:

Extended Hours Sites: 8:30am - 5pm Daily £23.95 per day or just £16.77 per day when the state of the control of

Standard Hours Sites: 9am - 3:30pm Daily £17.95 per day or just £12.57 per day when usin:

Book by 6th October & SAVE 15%**



Premier Holiday Camps.

Multi-Activity, Football, **Gymnastics & Musical Theatre!**

21st - 25th October For Children Aged 5 -12

Venue	Extended Hours	Childcare Vouchers Accepted	Football Camp	Gymnastics Camp	Musical Theatre Camp	Multi-Activit Camp
Copleston ports Centre Ipswich	✓	√	√		√	\checkmark
Kesgrave ports Centre Ipswich	√	√	✓		√	√
St Joseph's College Ipswich			√		√	\checkmark
Felixstowe Academy Felixstowe		✓	✓	✓	√	√
ramlingham ports Centre ramlingham		√	✓	✓		✓



Childcare vouchers accepted at selected venues



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Dates for your Diary

30th Oct: Open Morning 9.30am
31st Oct: Open Afternoon 1.30pm
1st Nov: All Saints Mass 2.30pm
7th Nov: Year 3 Parish Mass 9.15am

11th Nov: Anti-Bullying Week

13th Nov: Year R, 1 and 2 Class Liturgy 2.30pm 13th Nov: Scholastic Book Fair (13th-19th Nov) 14th Nov: Year 5 to West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village

14th Nov: Year 4 Parish Mass 9.15am

15th Nov: Year 6 Suffolk Junior School Mock Trial competition, Ipswich Crown Court

18th Nov: Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.00pm

18th Nov: Year 4 RE trip to Colchester Jewish Synagogue (as part of Alternative Faith Week)
19th Nov: Year 3 RE trip to Colchester Jewish Synagogue (as part of Alternative Faith Week)

20th Nov: Parents Evening 4.30pm-7.00pm

21st Nov: Year 5 Parish Mass 9.15am
26th Nov: Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm
22nd Nov: RE Parents Assembly 2.45pm
26th Nov: Year 6 Parish Mass 9.15am
29th Nov: Year 6 Ipswich Museum
2nd Dec: Year 4 Class Mass 2.30pm
3rd Dec: Reception Nativity 2.15pm

5th Dec: KS1 Advent Service

6th Dec: Reception Nativity 2.15pm

7th Dec: Year 6 Messy Messiah at St John's: afternoon rehearsal & evening performance

10th Dec: KS1 Nativity 2pm 11th Dec: KS2 Play 2pm 12th Dec: KS Play 9am

17th Dec: Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm 18th Dec: Christmas Ensemble 18th Dec: Last day of Autumn Term

Term dates for 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019

Wednesday 4th September to Wednesday 18th December 2019

Half Term: 21st – 25th October 2019

Staff Training Days: Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September

Spring Term 2020

Monday 6th January to Friday 3rd April 2020

Half Term 17th – 21st February 2020

Summer Term 2020

Monday 20th April to Friday 17th July 2020

Friday 8th May – Bank holiday (school open as usual Monday 4th May)

Half Term 25th - 29th May 2020