

Newsletter

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School Rules:

Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

Tweet of the Week

"I ask all diocesan and religious communities to increase their moments of prayer for peace. God is only the God of peace, he is not the God of war, and those who support violence profane his name."



Pope Francis (@Pontifex)

St Mary's School Drivers



Whole Child

Community

Communication

Faith

Prayer for Peace

God of love,

We pray for peace in our world, and an end to war.
Instead of hatred, let there be love.
Shelter your children and protect us.
Guide us and keep us from harm,
so we can build a world of love and live our lives in peace.

Amen.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week in collective worship we have been thinking about tolerance and how important it is to accept and respect people's differences. We talked about how we could be more tolerant in our daily lives and what this might look like. Johanna from Year 6 said that while we might not agree with other people's opinions, we could listen and then say our views. Even when our views are different to others we should still be respectful. What an important message for us all.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham

CAFOD EMERGENCY UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL:



In the past week, more than 2 million people have fled Ukraine to escape violence from invading Russian forces. Thousands more families are preparing to leave their homes and loved ones behind. We're working with local aid workers in our Caritas sister agencies in Ukraine, as well as neighbouring countries of Poland, Hungary, Romania and Moldova, to make sure families fleeing violence have all the food, water and shelter they need to stay safe.

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ATTENDANCE:

Please take the time to read this poster about how every minute counts towards your child's attendance.



FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

30th March:

KS1 and Year 3 Lenten Service 2:45 in school

8th April End of Term:

Whole School Easter Liturgy 9.15 in church

TRIPS/SWIMMING DATES:

Reception: Brandeston Hall trip – 24th March

Year 1: Ipswich Transport Museum – 31st March

Year 6: Awesome Arctic event – 24th March

Year 3: Swimming lessons start on Monday 9th May (leaving school **at 9.15am**)

Rec/Yr 1 & 2: Colchester Zoo – 24th May

RECEPTION, YEAR1 & YEAR2 COLCHESTER ZOO TRIP – 24th May:

Thank you for all of the parents that have volunteered to help on the school trip to the zoo. The teachers will look at confirming this with the volunteers in May 22. If we end up with more volunteers than are needed we will put parents names into a hat to make the process fair.

RECEPTION:

Reception did a great job acting out the story of Peter denying Jesus three times when he was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane. We talked about being brave and supporting our friends. Good job Reception



YEAR 1:

Year 1 have been having lots of fun celebrating Science Week. We observed what happens if you add water to skittles, explored dancing raisins and answered the question; Can people with longer legs jump further?



YEAR 2:

Year 2 had great fun making finger puppet prototypes. We made some puppets for the stories of The Three Little Pigs, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and Little Red Riding Hood. We're looking forward to making some glove puppets in the next few weeks!

YEAR 3:

Along with the rest of the school, Year Three have been conducting an experiment as part of science week: Do people with longer legs jump further? We wrote a prediction, planned our method, evaluated our experiment and recorded our results using a pictogram. We are looking forward to comparing our findings with other year groups. Great work Year Three!



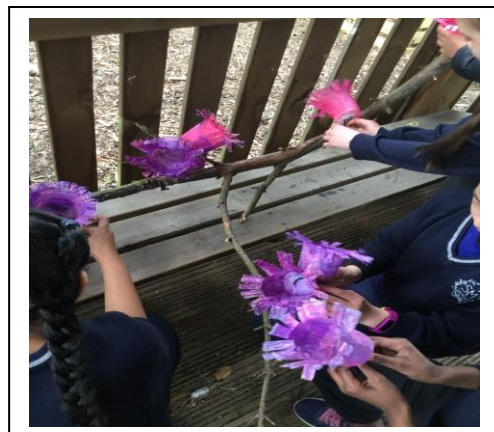
YEAR 4:

Year 4 did a great job in DT learning the skills of peeling, grating and following a recipe to make some delicious carrot cookies. They worked safely and hygienically and showing great teamwork. Well done everyone!



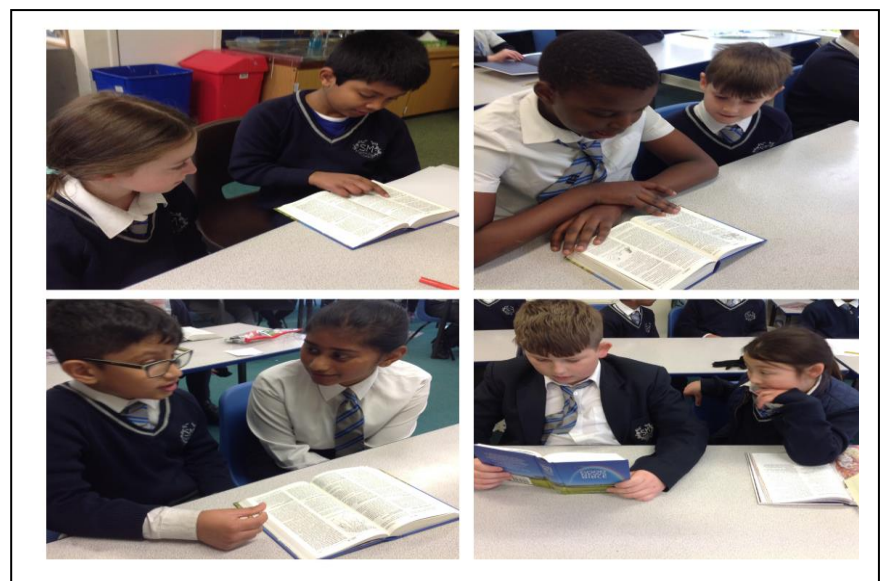
YEAR 5:

Year 5 did a great job turning their papier-mache cups into spring blossoms which they fixed onto a branch for display in the outdoor classroom. Well done Year 5.



YEAR 6:

Year 6 and Year 3 enjoyed sharing and talking about readings from the bible this week. It was lovely to see Year 6 talking and explaining in-depth about the meaning behind the scripture they were sharing. As our topic is Jesus Son of God this half-term, the children shared miracles from the bible which help to prove that Jesus is truly the son of God.



SCIENCE CHALLENGE:

Please find attached this week's science challenge. Mr Cook would love to hear how you get on with making a floating paper cup. Please feel free to send in photos of your attempts.

FLOATING PAPER CLIP

SCIENCE CHALLENGE 15

Designed by Mar,
Test engineer at Dyson

The brief

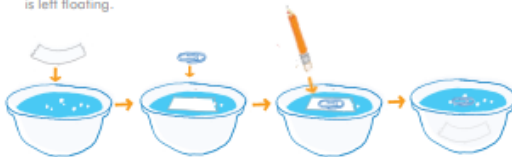
Make a paper clip float on water.

The method

1. Fill the bowl with water.
2. Tear off some tissue paper (around 10cm x 5cm).
3. Gently place the tissue paper onto the surface of the water so that it floats.
4. Place the dry paper clip on top of the tissue.
5. Use the rubber end of the pencil to carefully poke until the tissue sinks and the paperclip is left floating.

Materials

Water
A bowl
Tissue paper
A paper clip
A pencil with a rubber on the end



How does it work?

The paper clip is held afloat by the surface tension of the water. Water molecules are polar, so the molecules pull on each other. This creates a tension – like a thin, flexible membrane on the surface – which helps hold the needle afloat. The tissue paper allows you to lower the paperclip onto the water gently, without breaking the surface tension.



Did you know?

Insects such as pond skaters use water tension to appear to walk on water.

ST JOSEPH'S DAY MASS AT NORWICH CATHERDAL:

To mark the close of the Year of St Joseph, Bishop Alan Hopes will be celebrating Mass on Saturday March 19th 2022, 10am at St John's Cathedral, Norwich. The Mass will include a special blessing for families. Please bring all your children! There will be cake afterwards.

ST JOSEPH DAY MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

MARCH 19TH 2022 10am

**BISHOP ALAN HOPES WILL BE OFFERING
BLESSINGS FOR FAMILIES**

**BRING ALL YOUR FAMILY!
CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE ENCOURAGED
TO ATTEND**

**THERE WILL BE CAKES FOR THE CHILDREN
AFTER MASS**



Term Dates:

Term dates for 2021 - 2022

Spring Term 2022

Wednesday 5th January – Friday 08th April

Half term: 21st – 25th February

Staff Training day: 4th January

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 26th April – Tuesday 19th July

Bank holiday: 02nd May & 6th June

Half term: 30th May – 03rd June

Staff Training days: 25th April, 20th & 21st July

Term dates for 2022 – 2023

Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5th September – Friday 16th December

Half term: 24th – 28th October

Staff Training day: 1st & 2nd September

Spring Term 2023

Wednesday 4th January – Friday 31st March

Half term: 13th – 17th February

Staff Training day: 3rd January

Summer Term 2023

Tuesday 18th April – Thursday 20th July

Bank holiday: 1st May

Half term: 29th May – 2nd June

Staff Training days: 17th April, 21st July