

Newsletter

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

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School Rules:

Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

Tweet of the Week

"The Christian faith is fundamentally an encounter with Jesus Christ. If we truly believe in Jesus, we must try to act like Jesus did: encounter others, encounter our neighbours, so as to share the saving truth of the Gospel with them." *Pope Francis (@Pontifex)*



St Mary's School Drivers



Whole Child

Community

Communication

Faith

WC 4th July 2022

Mon 4th July: Years 5 & 6 PGL All Week

Mon 4th July: Year 3 Swimming

Thu 7th July: Year 4 Egyptian Day

TRIPS/EVENTS:

Yrs 5 & 6: PGL Monday 4th – Friday 8th July

Yr 4: Egyptian Day Ipswich Museum – Thursday 7th July

Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 Sports Day: Wednesday 13th July – Northgate at 1.15pm

Yr6 Play: Thursday 14th July at 2.15pm

Yr6 Play: Friday 15th July at 9.15am

Rec, Yr1 and Yr2 Sports Day: Friday 15th July 2 PM – School Field

End of term Mass: Tuesday 19th July at 1.30pm in Church

End of term: Tuesday 19th July 2022 at 3.15pm

TEACHERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022:

Reception	—	Mrs Goodwin
Year 1	—	Miss Southgate
Year 2	—	Mr Cook
Year 3	—	Mrs Hawes and Mrs Snowdon
Year 4	—	Mr Bentley
Year 5	—	Miss Godbold and Miss McGarry
Year 6	—	Mrs DN



The children will be spending a transition day with their new teacher on Monday 11th July, the children should come into school at 8.40 – 8.50am and go straight to their new classes.

SUMMER FAIR:



We wanted say a huge thank you for the terrific total raised at the school fair. This was only possible due to the hard work and dedication of Friends of St Mary's committee. Without them and your generosity we would be unable to offer such amazing additional opportunities and resources to our children.

Our heart felt thanks from the staff and children at St Marys.

The final amount raised was an amazing £2,500. Well done to everyone that helped or attended.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023 – CURRENT YEAR2

If you wish to apply for your child to make their First Holy Communion in 2023 at St Mary's Parish please use the link below to obtain an application form

<https://www.st-mary.org.uk/first-holy-communion-enrolment>

Once you have completed your form you will need return it directly to St Mary's Parish. Applications will close on 31st July 2022.

If you need any help with this please contact Eleanor Brady using secretary@st-mary.org.uk



RECEPTION:

This week Reception were lucky to receive a visit from a real-life firefighter!

We learnt two key things: to ring 999 and ask for a fire service if we spotted a fire and if we have clothing on fire we need to stop, drop and roll.



YEAR 1:



As part of RSE day we have been thinking about how we sparkle and we designed our own flag that represents us. We also thought about how our friends sparkle and drew a picture of them. We talked about what diversity means and made our own acrostic poems.

YEAR 2:

In science this week, Year 2 have been looking at the human life cycle. We carried out an experiment to find out if the oldest person is the tallest person by measuring each other and looking at our oldest pupil's height vs our youngest pupil's height.





YEAR 3:

Year 3 were joined by Year 6 to work together on their PE skills and sports day choices. They displayed great teamwork and year 6 really guided the younger children in ways to help them improve ready for sports day.

YEAR 4:

In Year 4, we have celebrated RSE Day and thought about the things that make us sparkle and also about how we can make everyone feel welcome. We explored what it means to be different, discussed differences within our class and our families.



YEAR 5:

Year 5 went to Dance East on Tuesday and had a wonderful opportunity to dance in a studio with mirrors, ballet bars and a beautiful floor! All the children were creative and imaginative and it was good to see their confidence growing as they explored ways to express themselves.

**DANCE
EAST**
MOVE | BE MOVED

YEAR 6:

Today Year 6 had a visit from Ignite. We had a day of reflection, sharing our memories from our time at St Mary's. We thought about how important friendships are but also how important it is for us to make new friends as we transition to Year 7.



ARTS OPEN EVENING 24TH JUNE 2022



As a staff we just wanted to say what a treat it was to have so many of you visiting the Classroom Galleries after school on Friday 24th June. The children's work looked great and it was a real celebration of the hard work they had done over the week. Thank you to everyone who came and made it such a joyful event.

WOODBIDGE YOUNG ARTIST EXHIBITION:

It was lovely to see the work of our 8 students chosen for the Young East Anglian Artist Exhibition in Woodbridge over the weekend. Their creations looked wonderful up on the gallery wall and they did a great job in representing the skills of the whole school. Well done. Miss Mudd



ENGINEERING CHALLENGE:

Please find attached this week's engineering challenge. Mr Cook would love to hear how to make an electric motor. Please feel free to send in photos of your attempts.

ELECTRIC MOTOR

ENGINEERING CHALLENGE 05

Designed by Mike,
Design engineer at Dyson

The brief

Build your own electric motor.

The method

1. Attach the magnet to the head of the screw.
2. Holding the battery in your hand, hang the pointy end of the screw from the positive terminal of the battery. Hold one end of the wire to the negative terminal of the battery.
3. With your other hand, touch the opposite end of the wire to the head of the screw and watch it spin.

Top tip

What happens if you swap the battery terminals?


Materials

An AA battery
A screw
A small, round neodymium magnet (approx. 6mm diameter)
A wire

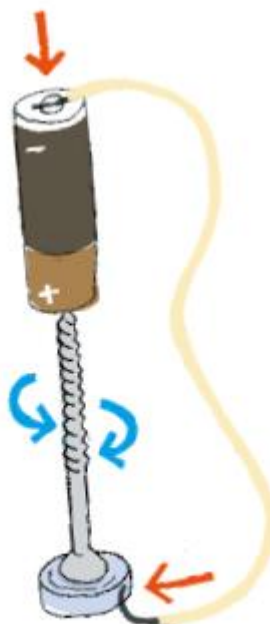
How does it work?

The electric current passing through the screw when the circuit is completed by the wire is subject to the Lorentz force. This force creates torque, which turns the screw.

Design icons



Michael Faraday built the first electric motor in 1821.



Friends of St Mary's Summer Fair update:

Thank you so much to all those who supported our Summer Fair fundraiser!

To those teachers who gave up their Saturday to help set up or run stalls. To the volunteers who pitched in and helped out with all parts of the event. To those who bought raffle tickets, contributed toys, bottles, cakes and anything else we have asked for over the last few weeks! To those who attended on the day, joined in games, and spent their money generously. To our hardworking committee members who have been planning the event behind the scenes for months and co-ordinated all the logistics on the day. We really do appreciate it all!



We are proud to announce that we raised a record breaking £2,500! (including match funding). That money will go towards projects like updating the pond area and buying new outdoor play equipment.

We couldn't have put on this event without volunteers. Even just an hour of your time makes a difference. With that in mind, there's also a little plea. We are in desperate need of a treasurer. Our current one has stayed on longer than promised and now we need to replace her, otherwise the committee cannot run. You don't have to be an accountant or any sort of maths genius! As long as you can use a calculator, we can give you all the training you need. It is not time intensive either. Just an hour a week.

A final ask to check if your employer offers match funding or has a charity scheme as it can boost our takings. We can help with application forms if needed. Every little helps!

It was lovely to see so many of you at the fair and to put smiles on the children's faces!
Thank you.

Friends of St Mary's.

TERM DATES:

Term dates for 2021 – 2022

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 26th April – Tuesday 19th July

Bank holiday: 02nd May

DFE Queens Jubilee 6th June School Closed

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