

Newsletter

Issue 2

10th September 2021

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

<http://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryipswich.com>



School Rules:
Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

Tweet of the Week

“God is gloriously and mysteriously present in creation since he is the Lord who reigns over it. To discover this, we need to be silent, listen, contemplate.”

[Pope Francis \(@Pontifex\)](#)



Key Dates w/c: 13th September 2021

13th Sept: Year5 Swimming 8.30am

13th Sept: Sports Clubs begin

14th Sept: Music Lessons begin

15th Sept: School Mass in church 2.30pm

15th Sept: Yr 5 & 6 Girls Netball begins

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you enjoy this week's newsletter. You will see from this week's photos that the children have been enjoying their learning. It is wonderful to hear singing in school again.

We are looking forward to celebrating the new school year at Mass with you on Wednesday.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham

Safeguarding:

Our school safeguarding team is here to support our school community. Please remember we are here if you wish to discuss any issues. You are welcome to contact the school with any concerns and we will endeavour to get straight back to you.

DSL - Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham
ADSL - Mr Cook



Music Lessons:

Music lessons will begin Week Commencing 13th September 2021.

Violins – Tuesday afternoon

Woodwind – Wednesday afternoon

Brass – Friday afternoon

All lessons will take place during the school day



Wrap Around Care:

Wrap around care has begun and we wanted to remind families that it is available to you all, it is flexible each week with no commitment to use all the time. The school are committed to running the care for a full year before a decision is made on the future of the provision.

If you wish to book a space please return a completed booking form to the school office by 2pm every Friday. Payments will need to be made by in advance of care for your child to attend.

<https://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryipswich.com/page/?title=Wrap+Around+Care&pid=312>

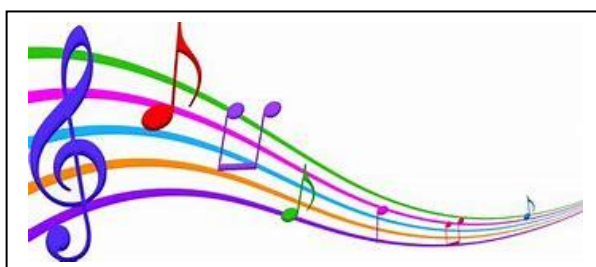
Named Items:

Please make sure that all items that belong to your child have their names clearly printed in them so we can return lost items to the correct owner.

Orchestra:

For KS2 (must have been playing your instrument for at least a year). If your child has been learning an orchestral instrument in or out of school they are welcome to join. We also have a few spaces to play the xylophone. We can then begin to perform in concerts and mass.

Orchestra will begin on **Tuesday 21st September** in the school hall until 4.15pm. If you would like your child to join please email the school office.



National Literacy Trust:

A chance for KS2 pupils to win a stack of books for their school.

Win your teacher's height in books! Do you go to school in Suffolk? Are you in years 3, 4, 5 or 6? You could win a stack of books as tall as your teacher to share with your class!

All you need to do is measure your teacher and visit

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/communities/suffolk/collect-your-free-book-to-celebrate-the-launch-of-get-suffolk-reading/>

We're also giving every child in KS2 a free book to celebrate the launch of Get Suffolk Reading. Good Luck!

Sports Clubs:

Sports clubs will begin week commencing the 13th September

Tuesday 3.15-4.15pm Years 1 & 2 football – **THIS IS FULLY BOOKED**

Wednesday 8-8.45am Years 1 & 2 Multisports

Wednesday 3.15-4.15pm Years 5 & 6 Boys Football

Wednesday 3.15-4.15pm Years 5 & 6 Girls Netball

Thursday 8-8.45am Years 3 & 4 Boys Football

Friday lunchtime KS2 Girls Football

Friday 3.15-4.15pm KS2 Multisports



Reception:

Reception have done a great job at settling into school this week! We read the story lost and found and lots of the children were interested in the whales that you could see on the last page. We then looked up lots of facts about Blue whales and found out that they can grow to 30 meters long! We then used the ribbon to measure this and all the children helped! It is now around the walls in our classroom.



Year 1:

In Year 1 maths, we have been finding different ways to sort objects. We sorted the buttons by colour, shape and the number of holes.



Year 2:

Year 2 were experimenting with mark-making in Art this week, creating contrasts between light and dark textures.



Year 5:

Year 5 have been investigating how the poles of magnets respond to each other in our forces topic in science.



Year 6:

This week in Art Year 6 have been focusing their skills on small sketches. We looked at key words such as tone, line, detail and pattern and applied this to our sketches. For our sketches we used pencils, coloured pencils, water colours and charcoal. The attention to detail was just amazing! It obviously helped having fresh fruit to sketch as an inspiration.

Well done Year 6.



Dates for your Diary:

Term dates for 2021 - 2022

Autumn Term 2021

Wednesday 01st September – Friday 17th December

Half term: 25th – 29th October

Staff Training day: 01st September

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4th January – Friday 08th April

Half term: 21st – 25th February

Staff Training day: 4th January

Summer Term 2022

Monday 25th April – Thursday 21st July

Bank holiday: 02nd May

Half term: 30th May – 03rd June

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