

Newsletter

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Key Dates w/c: 3rd February 2020

4th Feb: Parish Mass 9.15am – Yr 6

6th Feb: Yr 5 to Chelmsford Water Centre

7th Feb: Yr 5 to Dance East

7th Feb: Celebration Assembly 2.45pm

Tweet of the Week



'The Lord gives you his Word, so that you can receive it like a love letter he has written to you, to help you realize that he is at your side.'

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

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Safeguarding your children

Thank you to those parents who park responsibly.

Reminder: Please do not drop your child/children at the zebra crossing. This is a safeguarding issue and is a danger to the children's safety.

Please help us to ensure everyone's safety by parking in the designated spaces in the school and church car parks and not on the pavement in front of the pedestrian entrance to the school or opposite the entrance outside the private garage. Thank you. Mrs Jo Berry (Head of School)

Parent Feedback Questionnaire

We sent home a questionnaire last week and would be grateful if completed forms could be sent into the school office by Monday 3rd February please. Many thanks.

Forthcoming trips

Where applicable, we would be grateful if trips could be paid for before the due date specified on the parentmail information. Payment is permission for your child to take part. Thank you.

31st Jan: BT Adastral Park – Year 3 (re-arranged date from last week)

6th Feb: Chelmsford Water Treatment Centre – Year 5

7th Feb: Yr 5 to Dance East

25th Feb: BT Adastral Park – Year 5

6th Mar: Awesome Arctic (in school) – Year 6

10th Mar: BT Adastral Park – Year 6

2nd Apr: Museum of East Anglian Life – Year 4

Library – Story time – Reception/Year 1 & Year 2

Come and listen to a story with Mrs Ahmed or Mrs Michette. A parent to attend too please.

Every Thursday after school from 3.15 – 4.15pm. Teddies are welcome!

Curriculum Morning - 8.30-9.30am on 12th February

Pupils will be able to remain on the school playground with supervision by a teacher from 8.30am until school starts at 8.45am. We hope this will enable more parents to attend our curriculum sessions.

We will be focusing on:

Reading, PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education) and RSE (Relationship and Sex Education).

We look forward to seeing you on 12th.

IPSSA Boys Football Cup: St Pancras 0-8 St Mary's

The second time playing St Pancras this season, this time in the last 16 of the cup and we managed another superb win. Again, some fantastic, fluid attacking football and looking even more solid in defence game by game. On to the quarter-finals of the cup where the boys will face Springfield. Keep up the great results boys.



PGL Meeting – 27th February

There will be a meeting for Years 4 & 5 parents at 3.15pm on Thursday 27th February.

You will receive all the initial information that you need at this meeting so we would be grateful if you could attend. Children can be left in Year 5 with a teacher. Thank you.

World book day - Thursday 5th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day on 5th March this year. Children are invited to come to school on this day **dressed as a character** from their favourite book!

As part of this day, children will need a shoebox for an activity. If you have any shoe boxes that you can spare, please could you bring them into school.

Thank you, Miss Godbold.

PTA dates for your diary

Non-uniform days:

Friday 14th February: wear own clothes in exchange for a kind donation of £1.00.

Friday 3rd April: 'Chocs for Socks' day. Children wear their uniform but are encouraged to wear silly or mismatched socks, the brighter the better, in exchange for a kind donation of chocolate/sweets for the Summer fair tombola.

Friday 19th June: Non-uniform day. Children wear own clothes in exchange for a kind donation of a bottle of something for the summer fair tombola.

Friday 3rd July: Summer fair

PTA Colouring Competition

Thank you to everyone who entered the colouring competition. We had so many beautifully coloured entries, it was extremely hard to choose between them and we wished we had more prizes to give out! We were so impressed. Everyone who entered had clearly worked very hard on their pictures and should be really proud of themselves.

Full list of prize winners:

Sleepover prize (drawn at random from all entries) won by Amelia Switalska (Year 4)

Class prizes for best and most colourful entries

Reception – Etienne

Year 1 – Jonas

Year 2 – Sadie

Year 3 – Megan L.

Year 4 – Eric

Year 5 – Bella C

Year 6 – Antoni

The competition has raised a fantastic £60 for the school, very well done to everyone involved.

Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2020

- 4th Feb: Year 6 Parish Mass 9.15am
6th Feb: Year 5 to Chelmsford Water Treatment Centre
7th Feb: Year 5 to Dance East
7th Feb: Celebration Assembly 2.45pm
12th Feb: Curriculum morning 8.30-9.30am
14th Feb: Non-uniform day
17th–21st Feb: HALF TERM
25th Feb: Year 5 to BT Adastral Park
27th Feb: Year 3 Parish Mass 9.15am
27th Feb: PGL Parent's Meeting 3.15pm
28th Feb: Year 3 Class Mass 2.30pm
- 5th Mar: Year 4 Parish Mass 9.15am
5th Mar: World Book Day. Dress as favourite book character.
6th Mar: Year 6 Awesome Arctic in school
6th Mar: Year 5 Class Mass 2.30pm
10th Mar: Year 6 to BT Adastral Park
12th Mar: Year 5 Parish Mass 9.15am
13th Mar: Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm
17th Mar: Parents evening 3.30-6pm
19th Mar: Parents evening 4.30-7pm
26th Mar: KS1 Lenten Service 9am (Parents welcome)
31st Mar: Year 6 Parish Mass 9.15am
- 2nd Apr: Year 4 to Museum of East Anglian Life
3rd Apr: PTA Chocs for Socks day
3rd Apr: Easter Liturgy – Church 1.30pm (Parents welcome)
3rd Apr: Last day of term. **School ends at 2.45pm**

Term dates for 2019/20

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

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

Half Term: 25th - 29th May 2020

Term dates for 2020/21

Autumn Term 2020

Thursday 3rd September – Friday 18th December

Half term: 26th – 30th October

Staff Training Days: 1st & 2nd September

Spring Term 2021

Tuesday 5th January – Friday 26th March

Half term: 15th – 19th February

Staff Training day: 4th January

Summer Term 2021

Monday 12th April – Friday 16th July

Bank holiday: 3rd May

Half term: 31st May – 4th June

Staff Training days: 19th & 20th July (disaggregated)