

# Newsletter

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## School Rules:

Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

## Tweet of the Week

"My peace I give you. Jesus knows that on our own we are not able to cultivate peace, that we need help, a gift, the Holy Spirit. It is He who disarms the heart and fills it with serenity."

*Pope Francis (@Pontifex)*



## St Mary's School Drivers



Whole Child

Community

Communication

Faith

WC 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> June: School Closed

Tue 7<sup>th</sup> June: Children back to school

Tue 7<sup>th</sup> June: Year3 Parish Mass 9.15am Church

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> June: Year6 Crucial Crew

## MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022:

This is an extra day given to school by the Department of Education given in Lieu of the extra bank holiday for the Queen's Jubilee and school will be closed. The children will return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

### MRS GOODWIN:

You may be aware that Mrs Goodwin hasn't been in school over the last week.

It is with heavy hearts we announce that Mrs Goodwin and her husband lost their baby last week. They are, obviously, devastated but are receiving the very best support and the love and care of their families, friends and colleagues.



Please keep them and their baby in your thoughts and prayers, at this difficult time.

If you wanted to do something for Mrs Goodwin then she has requested donations go to:

<http://colchesteripswichcharity.org.uk/baby-bereavement-group/>

When donating, it will ask who you want to donate too, if you select Other ward/Department and in the box underneath type Baby Bereavement Ipswich Hospital

Thank you for your support.

### TRIPS/EVENTS:

Yr6 & Orchestra Summer Concert : Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 6pm (Tickets Only)

Yr 3: Colchester Castle – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Yr 4: Egyptian Day Ipswich Museum – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July

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

Yr6 Play : Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 2.15pm

Yr6 Play : Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 9.15am

Rec, Yr1 and Yr2 Sports Day : TBC



### ADVANCED DATE:

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Arts week school event, our classroom galleries will be open to parents from 3.15pm – 5pm.

## RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 TRIP TO COLCHESTER ZOO:

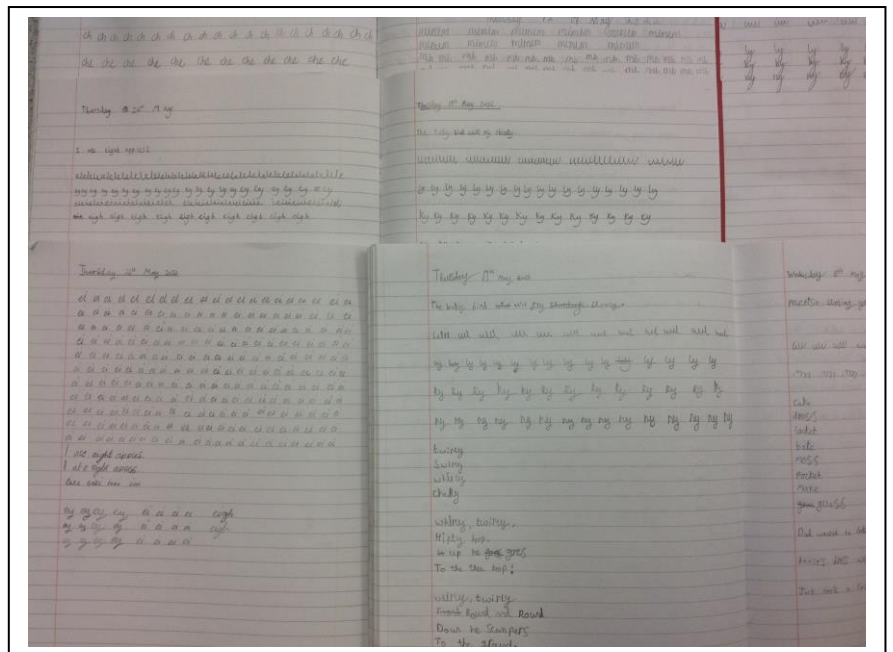


Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 had a fantastic time at the zoo. We dodged the showers and saw some amazing animals. We loved the bright flamingos and were excited to go through the water tunnel with the sea lions swimming around us. Everyone enjoyed the animals of the savannah and it was a perfect end to our day to see the rhino, giraffes and elephants so close. We also took part in a workshop where we learnt all about different habitats. Well done to everyone for being sensible, kind and .....curious, you were all great!



### YEAR 3:

Year Three have been working hard at their handwriting and presentation.  
Great work year Three!

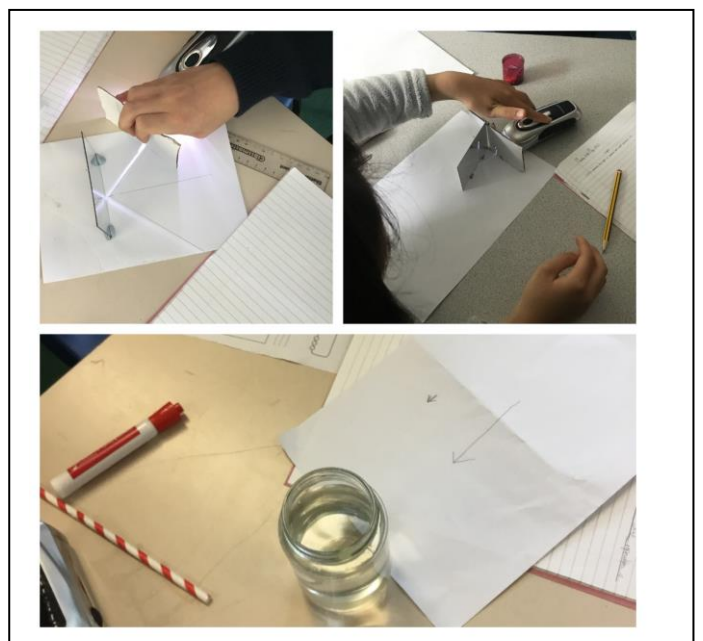


### YEAR 4:

In Year 4 this week, the children have used their knowledge of the colour wheel to create a piece of hidden art. The children were given a sheet of paper which either had a dark, light or both shaded area and they had to be creative with colour and pattern using strict parameters. The final result was revealed when all of the pages were put together. 'Congratulations Queen Elizabeth II on your Platinum Jubilee.'

### YEAR 5:

Year 5 did some experiments with light this week to investigate reflection and refraction. They plotted the path of a beam of light reflected in a mirror and looked over the hedge with a periscope. Light refracts differently through water or air so we could make a straw look broken and made arrows change direction and even disappear when looked at through a jam jar of water. Good job investigators.



YEARS RECEPTION, 1, AND 3 CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY:



YEARS 4, 5 AND 6 CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY:



YEAR2 CAKE DONATIONS:



Thank you to year2 for all of their cake and biscuit donations for our jubilee picnic, they raised £130.00



## JUBLILEE CELEBRATIONS:



## CAKE FOR THE JUBLILEE BAKE OFF:



Thank you for all of your cake entries for the jubilee bake off, they were all amazing and delicious. We hope that you will have fun eating them now at home. Thank you to all the parents and careers who purchased the cakes, you helped raise over £150.00. Well done everyone.

## ENGINEERING CHALLENGE:

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

# GEODESIC DOMES

ENGINEERING CHALLENGE 01

Designed by Hannah,  
Design engineer at Dyson

### The brief

Using jelly sweets and cocktail sticks, make your own geodesic dome.

### The method

Follow steps 1 – 6 in the diagram below.

Key for cocktail sticks: — 60mm — 54mm

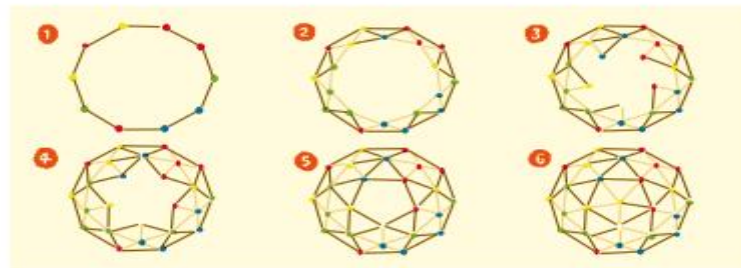
### Materials

Cocktail sticks: 35 at 60mm long and 30 cut down to 54mm long

Jelly sweets

Scissors

(with adult supervision)



### How does it work?

Geodesic domes are extremely rigid. Multiple interlocking triangles form incredibly strong structures.

To deform or buckle a triangle you have to compress or stretch the lengths of the sides, which is hard to do as they support each other.


### Design icons

Richard Buckminster Fuller, inventor of the geodesic dome. He was inspired by beehives, fishing nets and other 'networks'.

Today there are more than 300,000 geodesic domes around the world.



## THINK BEFORE YOU PARK:



**Think before you park**

**Your guide to safer parking outside schools**

**POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS CAN PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK**

Most accidents involving children outside schools occur when a child has their sight obscured by parked cars.

Parking restrictions and marked areas on the roads are there for a reason – to keep children safe. The safest option when dropping or picking your children up is to park away from the school and take a short walk to the gates.


If you must park near to school and space is limited, please follow the rules:

- **Do NOT park on zig-zag lines or KEEP CLEAR markings**
- **Do NOT park on yellow line restrictions**
- **Do NOT park across dropped kerbs or drives**
- **Do NOT park on footpaths**
- **Do NOT stop to drop kids off in the centre of the road**

*Failure to follow these rules may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.*

Please park safely and be considerate of children and residents by not causing an obstruction

**#thinkb4upark**



IPSWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL



## SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST COMPETITION:

Suffolk wildlife trust are running a competition for more information

<https://www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org/photography-competition-2022>



## FOSM:

### SUMMER FAIR:

The summer fair is on Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 4pm and I know it will look a lot closer from the other side of half term! We're very excited to try some new things, including inviting some amazing cosplayers who will be appearing as your favourite superheroes and Star Wars characters, and welcoming Suffolk Police who have offered to come along and talk to the children.



If you can spare an hour to help, we would be extremely grateful.

**VOLUNTEER SIGN UP** In order to manage the volunteer spots on the day, please can all our volunteers use this tool to sign up for the times and tasks that suit you. We are still in need of volunteers to help us collect tables from the preschool on the Friday afternoon, to help set up on the Saturday morning from 12, to run stalls and to help clear away after the fair.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: [volunteersignup.org/DAT4Q](https://volunteersignup.org/DAT4Q) To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. If you are happy to be on a stall for the entire fair, please select 'stall 2-3pm' and 'stall 3-4pm'. We will, of course, make sure you are able to have a break. Thank you for volunteering!

**GRAND RAFFLE AND SILENT AUCTION**— Tickets have gone home this week, with the eldest child in your family, one book per family. We have some brilliant prizes including a Kindle Fire 7, £50 cash prize and £50 shopping vouchers. Please return tickets and money in a sealed envelope marked 'For the PTA' by Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>. We'd also appreciate the return of any tickets that are not going to be used. Details of the silent auction will be released after half term.

**SOFT TOYS, BOOKS, AND SWEETS** We would also be most grateful for donations of soft toys and teddies, books in good condition, and packaged chocolate and sweets (Easter sweet amnesty). There is a box outside the school office where you can place any donations, or approach your class rep if you need any help.

**LUCKY BAGS AND CAKES** — We are trying to keep requests for donations to a minimum, but we would like to offer 'lucky bags', and cakes, at the summer fair. We'll remind you nearer the time as well:



- Lucky bags – After half term we will send a paper bag home with each child. They can decorate it however they like, and put in any little bits they have lying around the house – trinkets, sweets, pencils, rubbers, small toys, stickers. The bits don't have to be new, just in good condition – if you want to supplement the contents with a couple of new bits and pieces, feel free, but there is no pressure to do so. The children love them, but we don't want to put too many demands on parents. We will then sell them at the summer fair.
- Cakes – We'd be very grateful for cakes to sell on the day of the fair, and will be collecting in any donations on the Thursday and Friday before the fair. No stress if you don't have time to bake, home made or shop bought, we will be absolutely delighted with anything, and shop bought cakes will be especially helpful for those of us with allergies as all the ingredients are listed. We will sell them on the day of the fair, to enjoy with a nice cup of tea, or to take home and share.

### DRESS DOWN DAY JUNE 10TH

In the interest of advance warning, we will have one more dress down day this year, on June 10th. Instead of a pound, we will be requesting bottle donations to be used for a tombola at the fair – soft drink bottles or alcohol bottles are all welcome.

Many thanks in advance for your support

Friends of St Mary's team



### TERM DATES:

#### Term dates for 2021 – 2022

##### Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Bank holiday: 02<sup>nd</sup> May

DFE Queens Jubilee 6<sup>th</sup> June School Closed

Half term: 30<sup>th</sup> May – 03<sup>rd</sup> June

Staff Training days: 25<sup>th</sup> April, 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July

#### Term dates for 2022 – 2023

##### Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Half term: 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October

Staff Training day: 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September

##### Spring Term 2023

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Half term: 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> February

Staff Training day: 3<sup>rd</sup> January

##### Summer Term 2023

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Bank holiday: 1<sup>st</sup> May

Half term: 29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Staff Training days: 17<sup>th</sup> April, 21<sup>st</sup> July