Newsletter

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Key Dates w/c 28th October

4th November: Flu Immunisation Yrs Rec – Yr 6

7th November: **Photos** (Individual & siblings in school)

7th November: Yr 3 Parish Mass 9.15am

** NO ORCHESTRA – 5TH NOVEMBER





Tweet of the Week



"Go and show love to everyone, because your life is a precious mission: it is not a burden to be borne, but a gift to offer."

Pope Francis @pontifex

Welcome to this week's newsletter

FRIDAY 1st NOVEMBER:

Due to absence, the school office will not be staffed tomorrow and therefore emails may not be monitored.

If you have an <u>urgent</u> query, please call the school on the usual number and we will endeavour to pick up any answerphone messages as soon as we are able. Thank you.

Book Fair Arrives!

Scholastic Book Fair starts on Wednesday 13th November until Tuesday 19th November.

The book fair will be set up in the playground (weather permitting), otherwise in the school hall or hive area.

Please note we can only accept cash payments for book purchases. Thank you.

Book fair competition

Children in all year groups will be sent home with a competition to see how many weird and wonderful places they can read in over the next week. This is a great opportunity to explore both in and outside with a good book! The record sheet then needs to be brought back into school by Friday 8th November. These will then be judged to see the most interesting places and the winners will receive a voucher to use at the book fair!

Thank you, Miss Godbold

Reminders:

5TH NOVEMBER – NO ORCHESTRA

CHRISTMAS LUNCH:

If your child would like Christmas lunch on 5th December please complete and return the reply slip (tick menu choice). Alternatively, you can email the school with your child's choices. Details below. **Please note that there isn't an alternative option on the 5th**. If your child does not want a Christmas lunch please supply a packed lunch on the day. Thank you.

St Mary's Marketplace Calendar

Please see details below regarding placing your order for the St Mary's calendar. **Please reply by Monday 4**th **November. Thank you.**

Important reminder: Snacks and Allergies

May we remind parents that due to a child being severely allergic, please **do not give your child Nutella/chocolate spread sandwiches or any nut items to bring into school**. Thank you. Also, if you are supplying your child with a morning snack item, please ensure that it is **fruit only**.

TRIPS - Paying through parentmail confirms your permission for your child to take part. Thank you.

Year 6 - BT Adastral Park - 6th November

Year 6 – Ipswich Museum – 29th November

Year 5 – BT Adastral Park – 6th November

Year 5 - West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village - 14th November

Year 4 – Colchester Synagogue – 18th November

Year 4 - BT Adastral Park - 20th November

Year 3 – Colchester Synagogue – 19th November

Parents Evening – 18th and 20th November

Sign-up sheets will be in the school hall from Monday 11th November at 8.30pm

Christmas Dinner - deadline for ordering is Monday 11th November (whole school)

Christmas Dinner will be on **Thursday 5th December**. The dinner is free for Reception and KS1 children, and £2.30 for KS2 children – same price as normal school meal. You can pay for the meal in the usual way via Parentmail. Please note there will be no alternative hot meal on that day, so if your child does not want Christmas dinner he/she will need to bring a packed lunch.



Please complete the menu choice reply slip below and return to the school office as soon as possible and no later than Monday 11th November, to meet the deadline for our school cook to place the food

order. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH ORDER FORM REPLY SLIP Christmas Lunch will take place on Thursday 5th December. Please complete and return this form to the school office by Monday 11th November latest. Christmas Lunch is free for KS1 children and is £2.30 for KS2 children. Please pay for the meal in the usual way via Parentmail at the beginning of December. Please clearly tick your menu choice – one main course and one dessert. British roast turkey with Local Sausage, Sage & Onion stuffing and gravy served with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables OR Quorn Roast with Sage & Onion stuffing and gravy served with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables **Christmas Pudding and Custard** Ice Cream Tub with Festive Shortbread Biscuit

Name of child: _____

St Mary's Marketplace Calendar

Dear Parents and Carers.

As you will have seen on the school website there are some lovely new pictures on the home page showing our school in all its glory! If you haven't seen them yet, please check out the website as there are also some wonderful new pictures of each class in action and a new curriculum area giving information and more pictures showing all the subjects the children learn about.

The pictures on the home page were taken by KS2 children as part of the 'St Mary's Marketplace' after school club. Guided by a professional photographer, the children planned, composed and took some pictures of a very high standard which we propose to share with you in a calendar for 2020 - yes it's nearly here!

We would like to create an A4 size 2020 calendar in full colour, landscape orientation, with one page picture and one page dates (so when in use the calendar would be 2 pages, A3 in size). This calendar would feature 13 pictures taken by the children, professionally typeset and printed. What a wonderful present for family, friends and of course your kitchen too.

Now, the cost - as you can appreciate for a relatively small print run there is a premium to pay. For example to print 1 calendar it would cost £20+. So, if we can get a print run above 100 copies the cost would fall to approximately £6 per calendar. Much more reasonable, I'm sure you'll agree.

What we would like to do is offer the calendar on a PRE-order basis. If you would like to have a copy of the calendar, you register with your name, child's name and class and how many (!) you'd like. If we get sufficient orders we will go ahead with the print run and invoice you when they arrive. No money will be sought or collected until we know we have 100+ on order. Please be sure you want the calendar as the pre-order will be what you are invoiced on, and the calendar(s) will be supplied once paid for.

I am sure you'll agree this is a great way of recognising the skills acquired by the children, with a little bit of fundraising for the after school club and a useful way for you to support what we are achieving here at St Mary's.

I nank you, God bless
Mrs Ridall and Miss Mudd
St Mary's Calendar Pre-order Form Please return this to the office by Friday 1st November
Parent/Carer's Name:
Child's name:
Number of calendars to order(no maximum, as many as you like!). I agree to buy the above number of calendars at the price of £6 per calendar.
Signed Name (in capitals)

Friends of St Mary's PTA News

FOSM AGM

Aldi's Kit for Schools

We're collecting Team GB stickers with Aldi's Kit for Schools for the chance to be one of 20 primary schools to win £20,000 to build a health legacy at our school!

From 6 September–3 November when you spend £30 or more in any Aldi store, you'll receive a special Team GB sticker – if our school works together to collect 300 stickers, we will automatically receive an exclusive school sports kit, in addition to entry into the £20,000 prize draw! Please send any stickers you receive into school with your children, or bring them in yourself and we will add them to our Aldi's Kit for Schools sticker poster.

The Aldi's Kit for Schools campaign supports the aims of Get Set to Eat Fresh, Aldi and Team GB's award-winning school's programme, which has already beaten its target to reach 1.2 million young people in the UK by 2020, reaching over 1.5 million young people since its inception. We hope everyone will enjoy collecting Team GB stickers and exploring healthy eating this term. Remember, Aldi's Kit for Schools Team GB stickers are available until 3 November when shopping in any Aldi store. If you want to find out more about Aldi's Kit for Schools you can visit getseteatfresh.co.uk/kitforschools

Thank you so much for your support – we look forward to receiving any stickers you collect!

Our sticker post box in the school reception area.



Dates for your Diary

4th Nov: Flu Immunisation

6th Nov: Year 5 & 6 to BT Adastral Park 7th Nov: Year 3 Parish Mass 9.15am

11th Nov: Anti-Bullying Week

13th Nov: Scholastic Book Fair (13th - 19th Nov) 14th Nov: Year 5 to West Stow Anglo-Saxon Village

14th Nov: Year 4 Parish Mass 9.15am

15th Nov: Year 6 Suffolk Junior School Mock Trial competition, Ipswich Crown Court

18th Nov: Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.00pm

18th Nov: Year 4 RE trip to Colchester Jewish Synagogue (as part of Alternative Faith Week)
19th Nov: Year 3 RE trip to Colchester Jewish Synagogue (as part of Alternative Faith Week)

20th Nov: Year 4 to BT Adastral Park

20th Nov: Parents Evening 4.30pm-7.00pm

21st Nov: Year 5 Parish Mass 9.15am
22nd Nov: RE Parents Assembly 2.45pm
26th Nov: Year 6 Parish Mass 9.15am
29th Nov: Year 6 Ipswich Museum
2nd Dec: Year 4 Class Mass 2.30pm
3rd Dec: Reception Nativity 2.15pm

5th Dec: Drama Workshop at St Alban's – Year 4

5th Dec: KS1 Advent Service

6th Dec: Reception Nativity 2.15pm

7th Dec: Year 6 Messy Messiah at St John's: afternoon rehearsal & evening performance

9th Dec: Year 5 to Foxhall Day Centre (morning)

10th Dec: KS1 Nativity 2pm 11th Dec: KS2 Play 2pm 12th Dec: KS Play 9am

17th Dec: Year 6 Class Mass 2.30pm

18th Dec: Christmas Ensemble
18th Dec: Last day of Autumn Term

Term dates for 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019

Wednesday 4th September to Wednesday 18th December 2019

Half Term: 21st – 25th October 2019

Staff Training Days: Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September

Spring Term 2020

Monday 6^{th} January to Friday 3^{rd} April 2020

Half Term 17th - 21st February 2020

Summer Term 2020

Monday 20th April to Friday 17th July 2020

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

Half Term 25th - 29th May 2020