

# Newsletter

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## School Rules:

Be ready, Be respectful, Be safe

## Tweet of the Week

“Let us pray together so that all young people, called to live life to the fullest, may discover in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage of faith, and dedication to service”

*Pope Francis (@Pontifex)*



## St Mary's School Drivers



Whole Child

Community

Communication

Faith

WC 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> May: Year3 Swimming

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been thinking about Mary and how we can be more like Her and how we could live out Her values. In collective worship we took part in a Mary procession.

Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week, children are invited to wear Green on Friday to mark the event



**Mental Health  
Awareness Week**  
10-16 May 2021



Have a wonderful long weekend,

Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham

## WOODBIDGE SCHOOL'S YOUNG EAST ANGLIAN ARTISTS COMPETITION:

We have been invited to participate in Woodbridge School's Young East Anglian Artists competition. This community event will enable us to celebrate the artwork of our young artists, whilst raising money for Cancer Research UK.

During school, the children are producing artwork based on this year's theme 'The Royal Jubilee'. If your child would like the chance to have their work exhibited, they are asked to submit their artwork (and their copyright in it) to YAEA, along with a minimum entry donation of £2.50 per child, as their contribution to raise money for Cancer Research UK.

Deadline for entries is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May, please send in your money in a named envelope.



## SPORTS CLUBS:

Sports clubs started this week, days and times below, please make sure that you have made your payment:

Monday 3.15pm Football – Years 1 & 2

Wednesday 8am Multisports – Years 1, 2 and 3

Wednesday 3.15pm Cricket – Years 4, 5 and 6

Thursday 8am Rounders – Years 4, 5 and 6

Friday 12.10pm Girls Football – Years 3, 4 and 5

Friday 3.15pm Boys Football – Years 3, 4 and 5



## INHALERS KS2:

All children in KS2 who need an inhaler should always keep an in their school bag, this is as well as the one we have for them in the school office. Thank you

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES:

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May – 8.50am for Year1, Year2 and Year3

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May – 2.55pm for Year4, Year5 and Year6

## TRIPS/SWIMMING DATES:

Year 3: Swimming lessons start on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May (leaving school at 9.15am)

Rec/Yr 1 & 2: Colchester Zoo – 24<sup>th</sup> May – Helpers have been informed.



## 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:



This week in Reception we have been reading the story *Commotion in the Ocean*. We wrote about one of the sea creatures from the story that we liked and either what they looked like, a fact or something they might do! Well done Reception! 😊

## YEAR 1:

In computing this week year 1 have been experimenting with beebots. We had lots of fun giving them commands to move around the room and trying to make them dance. In maths we have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We played bingo and pairs to help us learn our times tables.



## YEAR 2:

Year 2 have been looking at aboriginal artwork and creating out own using acrylic paint.

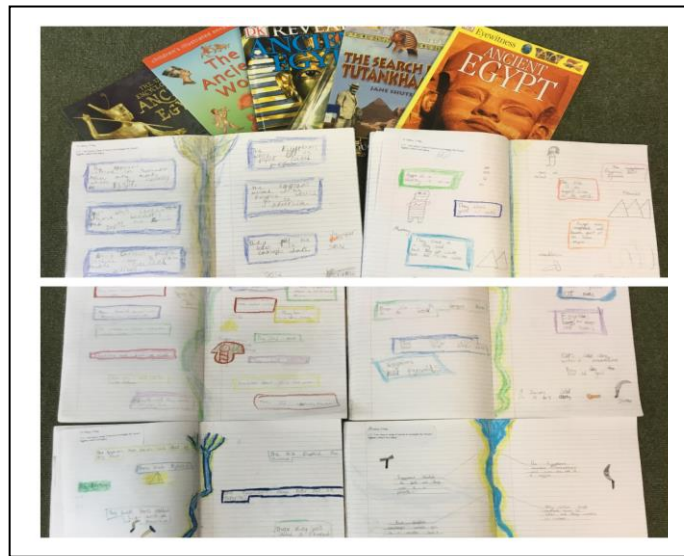


### YEAR 3:

Year Three are studying the Romans. The children were surprised to see how far the Roman Empire had spread by AD 117 and to see that we would have been under Roman rule here!

We got into character as Icenis and Romans to understand how accounts of history can differ.

Well done Year Three!



### YEAR 4:

Year 4 worked hard researching the Ancient Egyptians this week. They used primary sources (artefacts and pictures) and secondary sources (books written by other historians) to make illustrated notes about the Egyptian civilisation. Good job everyone.

### YEAR 5:

Year 5 worked hard designing a new outfit for the Queen as their entry for the Young East Anglian Artist competition. They worked with different art pencils to create shape and shade ... with a little bit of platinum highlighting! Don't forget to send in the £2.50 charity donation for entry to the competition. Great job everyone.



## YEAR 6:

Year 6 have really been enjoying our weekly dancing lessons. It has been so much fun!



## SCIENCE CHALLENGE:

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

# IVORY SOAP

## SCIENCE CHALLENGE 20

Designed by Lydia,  
Global head of the  
James Dyson Foundation

### The brief

Create a big soapy marshmallow out of Ivory soap®.

### The method

1. Place the bar of soap in the middle of a plate covered with a paper towel and place in the centre of the microwave oven.
2. Cook the bar of soap on high for two minutes.



3. Watch the bar of soap as it begins to expand and erupt into puffy clouds. Be careful not to overcook it.
4. Allow the soap to cool for a minute. Touch it. Feel it. Look at it.



### Materials

Ivory soap®  
Paper towels  
A microwave  
(with adult supervision)  
A plate



### How does it work?

Ivory soap® floats because it has air pumped into it during manufacturing. When the air inside the soap heats up, the air expands and reacts with the water inside. The expanding gases push on the softened soap, creating foam. The effect is a demonstration of Charles' Law. Charles' Law states that as the temperature of a gas increases, so does its volume.

### WOODWIND CHANGE OF DATE:

Woodwind music lesson is changing of one week, lessons will be on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May instead of Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May.

### REMINDER:

If there are any changes to pick up arrangements for your child/children, please can you inform the school by email before 2pm

### MUSIC LESSONS FOR SUMMER TERM:

Fees for music lessons this term are now due, please pay via parentmail, payment and shop.

### FOSM:

#### SUMMER FAIR:

We have been really pleased by the support for our summer fair so far. Lots of you have expressed a willingness to help, which is amazing.

Now we need to allocate specific tasks, so if you would like to help, even if you have already been in touch, please sign up so we have your contact details.



#### VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

In order to manage the volunteer spots on the day, please can all our volunteers now use this tool to sign up for the times and tasks that suit you.

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](http://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!

#### 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.

#### DRESS DOWN DAY JUNE 10TH

In the interest of advance warning, we will have one more dress down day this year, on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

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



## AUTISM AND ADHA COFFEE, CAKES AND CHATS MORNING:

**Coffee, Cake & Chats  
@ Cult Cafe Bar**

**Tuesday's**  
8th March 10am-12pm  
12th April 7pm-9pm  
10th May 10am-12pm  
14th June 10am-12pm  
12th July 10am-12pm



Join us for a relaxed meet up. A time to talk, smile, and meet new people. Anyone on a pre or post diagnosis journey with Autism or ADHD welcome. If you have any questions or accessibility needs please email us at [info@autismandadhd.org](mailto:info@autismandadhd.org)

**Autism  
ADHD**

## LIVING WITH COVID:

**NHS**  
Test and Trace

# Living with COVID-19: advice for those aged 18 and under

Has your child or young person aged 18 or under tested positive, or do they feel unwell with COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms? If so, there are a few simple steps they can take to protect their family and community – especially those at highest risk of severe illness.

 <p><b>If they feel unwell and have a high temperature, with COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms, they should:</b></p>	 <p><b>Try to stay at home,</b> avoid contact with others and follow the guidance on <a href="https://www.gov.uk">gov.uk</a></p>	 <p><b>Try to avoid going to school, college or childcare</b> until they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough to return</p>	 <p><b>Carry on attending as normal if they only have mild symptoms</b> like a runny nose, sore throat or slight cough and otherwise feel well</p>
 <p><b>If they have had a positive test for COVID-19, they should:</b></p>	 <p><b>Try to stay at home,</b> avoid contact with others for 3 days and follow the guidance on <a href="https://www.gov.uk">gov.uk</a></p>	 <p><b>Try to avoid going to school, college or childcare</b> during this time, where they can</p>	 <p><b>Go back after 3 days,</b> but only if they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to do so</p>

Find out more on [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk)

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 & 6<sup>th</sup> June

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