



# St Mary's Newsletter

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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

"The Holy Spirit is a wellspring of unity. His fire burns away worldly desires and kindles in our lives the warm and compassionate love with which Jesus loves us, so that we in turn can love one another like that."



LEST WE FORGET



## Week Commencing 14<sup>th</sup> Nov:

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Nov: Yr 5 Swimming. Last session 13<sup>th</sup> December

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov: Reception 2023 Open Days 9.30am & 1.30pm – Pre Booked Appointments Only

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Nov: Yr4 Class Mass 2.4-5pm in school

## SAFEGUARDING NOTICE:

When exiting from the parent car park, please be aware that you should stop at the gates, to allow parents and children to pass, before driving on. Thank you. We have noticed that some parents are pulling into the carpark via the exit, please follow the signs so that we can keep everyone safe

**RECEPTION 2023 – OPEN DAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER:** We will be holding two open day sessions for prospective parents on November 16<sup>th</sup>, **one at 9.30am and another at 1.30pm**. If you are thinking of applying to St Mary's for a Reception place in September 2023, please email the school to book a slot. Our email address is: [admin@st-marys-ipswich.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-marys-ipswich.suffolk.sch.uk)



## SCHOOLS REMEMBRANCE SERVICE YR6:

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November Year 6 took part in the School's Remembrance Service at the cemetery. We joined out local schools to reflect on war and remember the fallen soldiers. Year 6 were wonderful ambassadors for our school.



## RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2023 APPLICATIONS:

Applications for a Reception September 2023 place should be made by the **deadline date of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**. The application should be made online via the Suffolk County Council Admissions website.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-primary-school-place-20232024/>

**IMPORTANT:** St Mary's require a completed Supplementary Information Form (SIF) which should be sent to the school before 15<sup>th</sup> January deadline please. The Supplementary Information Form (SIF) can be found on our website under 'Key Information - Admissions'

# CHRISTMAS EVENTS

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER:

This year's school Christmas Lunch will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December for all children from Reception to Year 6. A Parentmail was sent on 9/11/22, the deadline to order a Christmas lunch is Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Please email your child's choices to the school office [admin@st-marys-ipswich.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-marys-ipswich.suffolk.sch.uk)



## RECEPTION NATIVITY – 'A KING IS BORN' – MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2.30PM:

Parents will receive two tickets per family. Please can all children come into school on 5<sup>th</sup> December wearing plain black leggings/ jogging bottoms and either a plain black or plain white T-shirt. Thank you.

## KSI NATIVITY – 'BORN IN A BARN' - 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2.30PM:

Parents will receive two tickets per family. Please can all children come into school on 6<sup>th</sup> December wearing plain black leggings/ jogging bottoms and either a plain black or plain white T-shirt. Thank you.



## KS2 NATIVITY – 'SUPERSTAR' – 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2PM AND 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 9AM.

Parents will receive two tickets per family, 1 for each performance.

All tickets will be sent home 1 week before each of the plays.

## CHRISTMAS ENSEMBLE:

Please join us in church on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am and hear our beautiful Christmas Ensemble.



## EXTRA BANK HOLIDAY MAY 2023:

School will be closed on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 for the bank holiday to celebrate His Majesty's coronation on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

FIND THANK YOU MESSAGE:

We received a lovely thank you message from Find for all of your donations from our harvest festival.



Mrs. Jo Berry  
Head Teacher  
St. Mary's Catholic Primary School  
Ipswich

7 November 2022

Dear Mrs. Berry,

Please thank all your pupils so much for their wonderful donations of food given to FIND from their recent Harvest celebrations.

These goods have been added to our food stocks and will be used to fill our emergency food bags which we give to people who are in real need. Some food will be kept back to go out in almost 900 Christmas Hampers we hope to distribute in December, as well as £10 gift tokens and a box or tin of biscuits or chocolates.

We are very grateful for the generosity your children have shown for people locally who might otherwise go hungry.

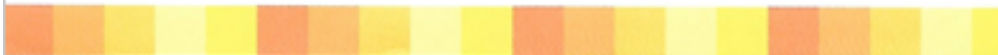
Best wishes to you all,

Heather Cade (FIND Trustee)



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afford. We wouldn't want to miss an opportunity for fundraising, as every penny counts, but please don't worry if you aren't in a position to donate.

Thanks from the FOSM PTA team

## TERM DATES:

### 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 & 8<sup>th</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