

Newsletter

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18th February 2022

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

"wisdom, our memory. It is crucial that grandchildren remain close to their grandparents, who are like roots from which they draw sap of human and spiritual values."

Pope Francis (@Pontifex)



St Mary's School Drivers



Whole Child

Community

Communication

Faith

WC 21st February 2022

HALF TERM

Pupils return on Monday 28th February

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is not the end to half term we all expected but if the last two years have taught us anything, it is how to be adaptable. All of our pupils have worked especially hard this term and we are very proud of each one of you.

Have a very well-deserved break over half term. Remember to take time to do something that recharges you. Maybe reading, drawing, dancing or cooking whatever you enjoy and makes you happy.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Berry and Mrs Measham

PREVENT:

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

WHAT IS PREVENT?

A COMMUNITY SAFEGUARDING PROGRAMME

Prevent is about **identifying people at risk** from the **threat of terrorism**. Prevent is 1 of the 4 elements of CONTEST, the Government's counter-terrorism strategy. It aims to **stop people becoming terrorists** or supporting terrorists.

WHAT DOES PREVENT DO?

- STOP**
The main aim of Prevent is to **stop people from becoming terrorists** or supporting terrorists.
- PROTECT**
At the heart of Prevent is **safeguarding children and adults** and providing early intervention to **protect and divert people away from being drawn into terrorist activity**.
- PREVENT**
Prevent **addresses all forms of terrorism**, but continues to ensure resources and effort are allocated on the basis of threats to our national security.

Prevent works with a wide range of sectors (including education, criminal justice, faith, charities, online and health) where there are risks of radicalisation that we need to deal with.

If you see or hear something that could be terrorist related call the Police Hotline on: **0800 789 321**

If you're concerned about someone in your community please contact your local police force by dialling **101** or if you require urgent police assistance dial 999.

Find out more at lta.info or search **LTAIPrevent** on social media

AUTISM AWARENESS WEBINARS:

Events

Upcoming (17)

Past (11)

Event Title	Date & Time	Cost
Online Workshop: Autism and Social Vulnerability – Parents/Family...	Mon, 28 Feb 2022 09:30 GMT	Starts at £30.00
Autism Webinar: Autism and Sensory - Live Free Webinar	Mon, 28 Feb 2022 12:30 GMT	Free
Online Workshop: Autism and Empathy - Parents/Family Workshop	Mon, 28 Mar 2022 09:30 BST	Starts at £30.00
Autism Webinar: Autism Awareness - Employer Live Free Webinar	Mon, 28 Mar 2022 12:30 BST	Free

Please feel free to explore the link below where you will find autism awareness webinars, some of which are free.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/autism-anglia-33903050653?aff=odeimcmailchimp&utm_source=Autism+Anglia+e-News&utm_campaign=d82d71386e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_I_21_2022_10_25&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_b10d167733-d82d71386e-478359826

ST MARY'S SCHOOL DRIVERS:

Please take a minute to read the presentation about St Mary's School Drivers.

https://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryjpswich.com/_site/data/files/school%20curriculum/5F39767A3D572BIDF97F62437D38C9CI.pdf

VITRUAL PARENTS EVENING:

Appointments can be booked for parents evening via the school cloud <https://stmarysipswich.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. Please see parentmail sent on Wednesday 9th February for more information.

YEAR 5 SPONSORED WALK AGAINST HUNGER (CAFOD):

Year 5 are going to be doing a sponsored walk to support Cafod's walk against hunger campaign. Their walk will be on Thursday 17th February. We will be walking up to 5km around the school! Children in Y5 have already received their sponsorship forms and are hoping to receive lots of sponsors. We will let you know how we get on!



CHANGE OF MENU ON WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH:

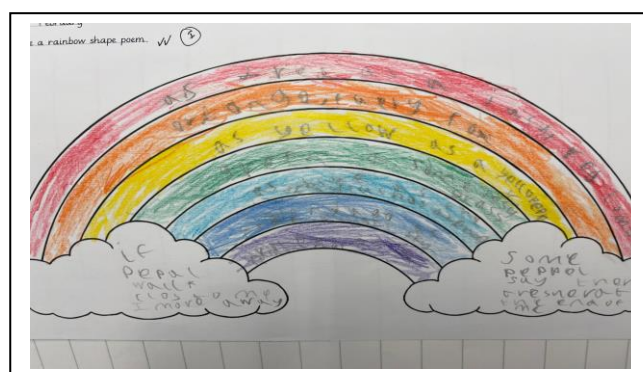
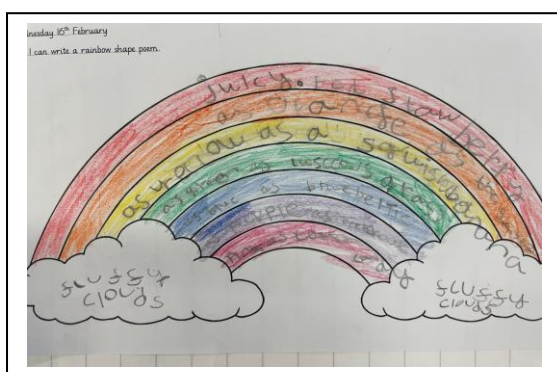
There is a change to the school lunch menu on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd March.

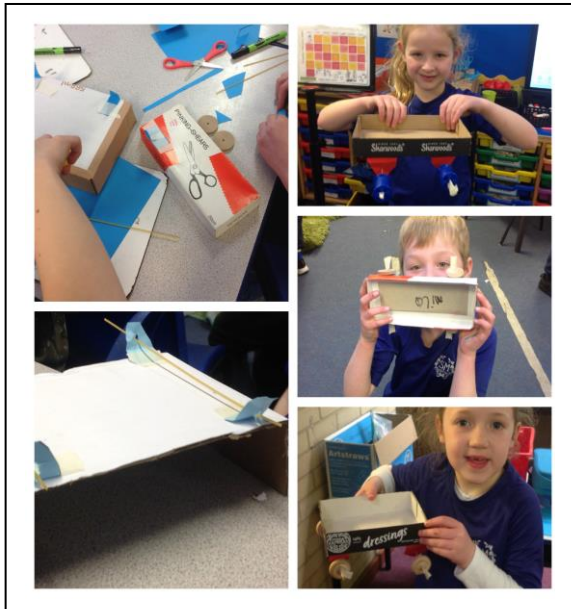
On Wednesday (2nd), there will be a choice of: Margherita & tomato Pizza **or** Vegetable Meatballs in tomato sauce and pasta.

On Thursday (3rd), there will be a choice of: Roast Chicken with stuffing/veg etc **or** Vegan Cumberland Sausage with stuffing/veg etc,

YEAR 1:

In English this week we have been exploring shape poems. We wrote our own shape poems and thought about different similes and expanded noun phrases that we could use for each colour.



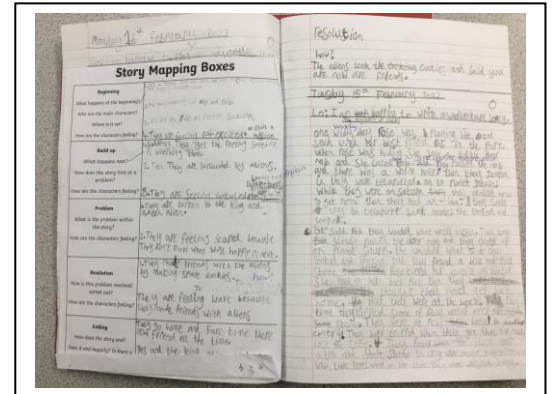
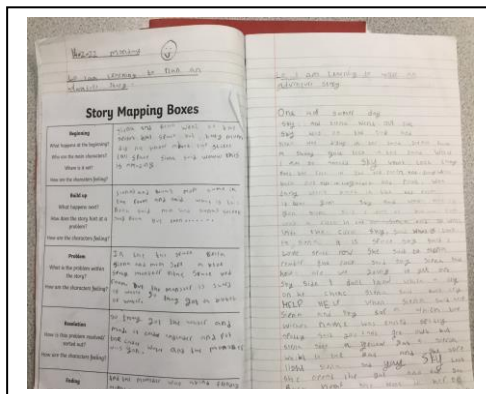
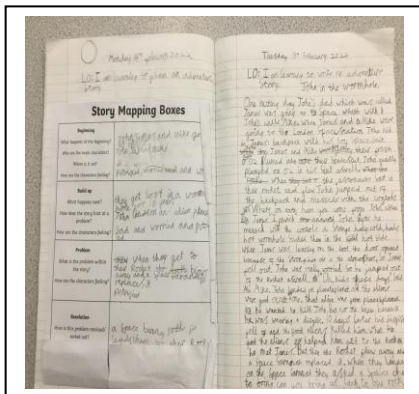


YEAR 2:

In DT, Year 2 have been making carts with wheels and axles. We used learned joining techniques to make a cart and decorated them to suit our imaginary 'user'.

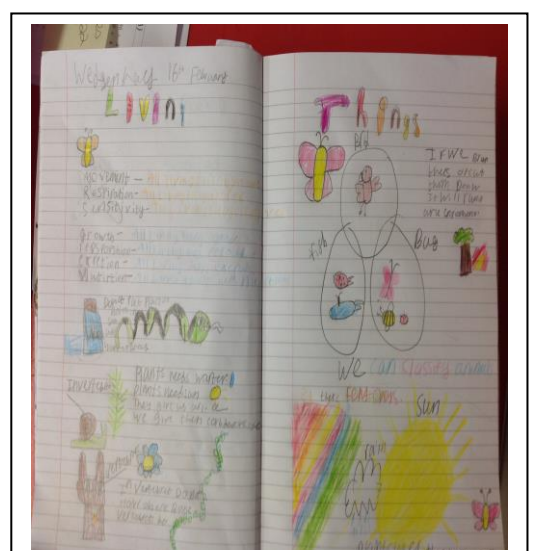
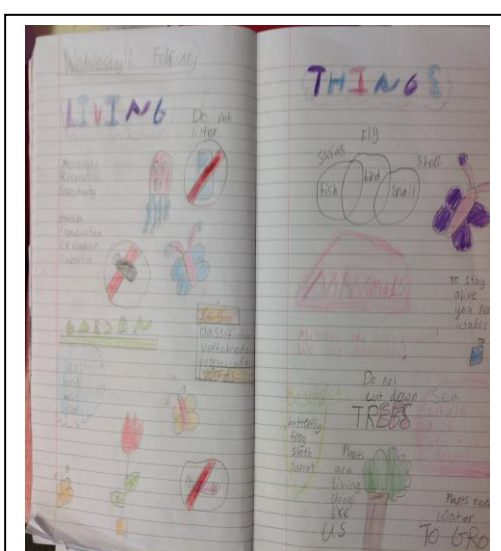
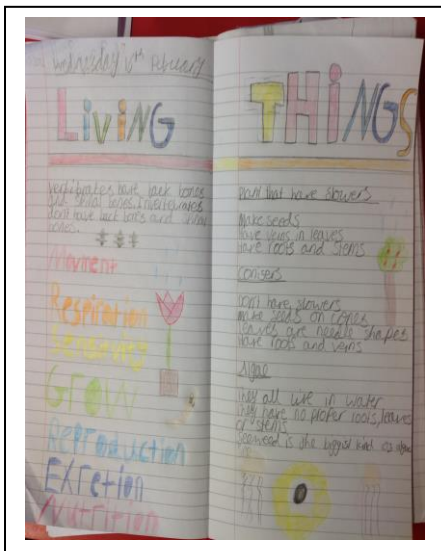
YEAR 3:

Year 3 have been working really hard on their fantasy stories this week, planning, writing, editing and sharing. Wonderful use of language and writing skills and some very proud children. It was a delight to see them reading to each other and performing to the class. Well done Year 3



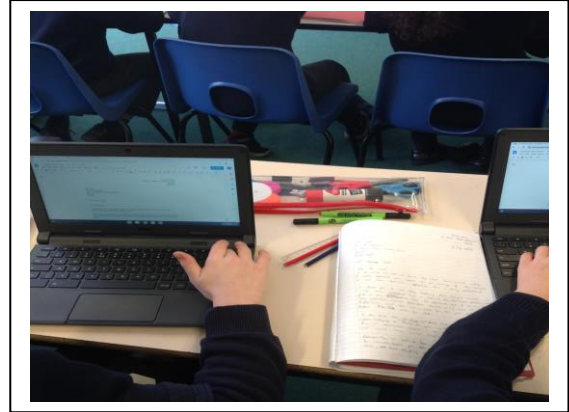
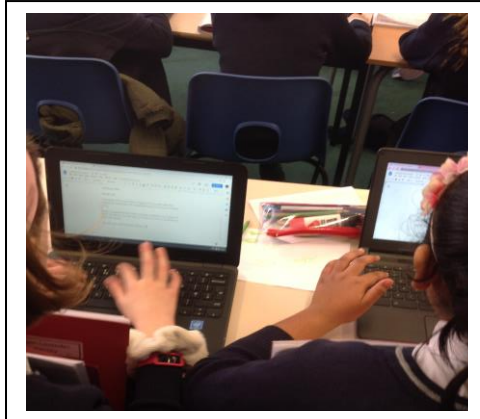
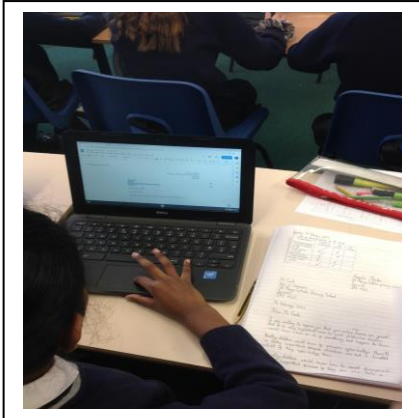
YEAR 4:

In Year 4, we have brought together all of our learning in science this half-term about how we classify living things. We created our own Knowledge Organisers to show this.



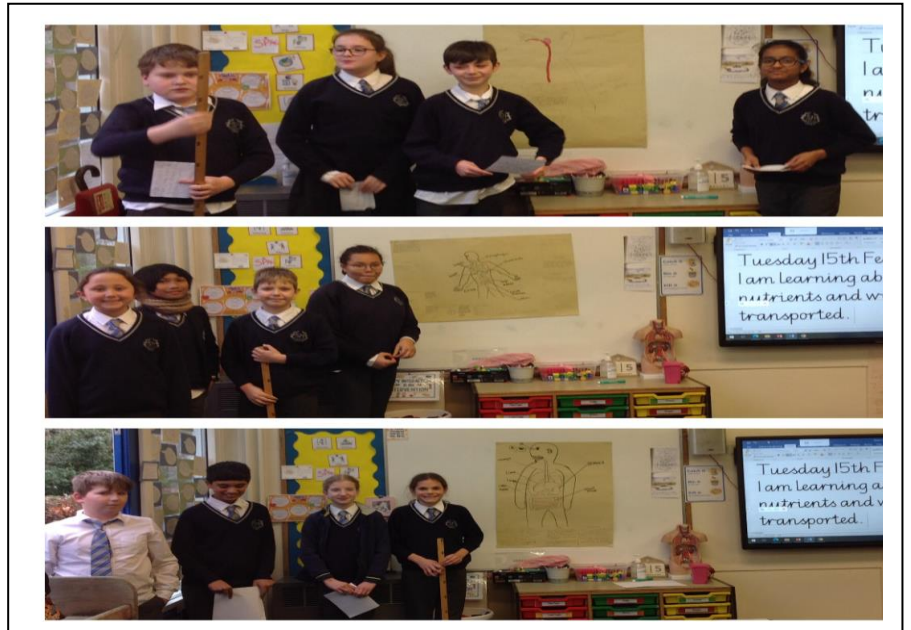
YEAR 5:

Year 5 have been working hard this week planning, writing and editing their formal letters about online safety to Mr Cook. After their editing session, they began to write up their letter on the chromebooks ready to send to Mr Cook. They are eagerly awaiting a response from him after half term!



YEAR 6:

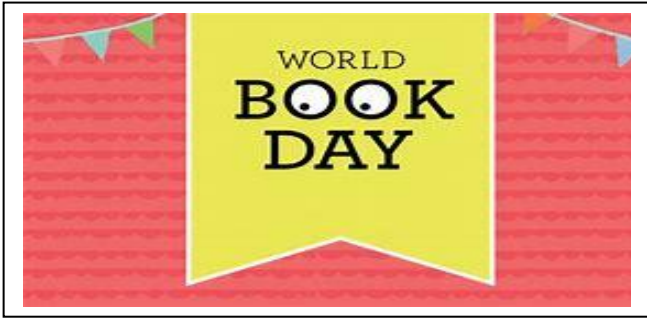
Year 6 produced amazing group presentations in science this week to show their learning on how nutrients and water are transported.



YEAR 6 NETBALL:

St Mary's fought hard for a 4 -3 win over Birchwood
Our first league game in two years! We were all so excited just to be back playing and having fun.
Good job girls!





WORLD BOOK DAY:

Key date: World Book Day – 3rd March

This year World Book Day will be on Thursday 3rd March. On this day, we would encourage children to come dressed up a character from a book they have read. We would also like them to bring in their favourite book, so we can share these in class. World Book Day/PE or Sports Club:

The children who have PE or Sports club on World Book day should wear their PE kit under their costume so they will only have to slip the costume off for the lesson/club and pop it back on after. Thank you

SCIENCE CHALLENGE:

Please find attached this week's science challenge. Mr Cook would love to hear how you got on making an $100+100=192?$. Please feel free to send in photos of your attempts

100+100=192?

SCIENCE CHALLENGE 12

Designed by Chloe,
Research engineer at Dyson

The brief

Add water to ethanol and find out why it doesn't add up.

The method

1. Measure out exactly 100ml of water and 100ml of ethanol.
2. Add the two solutions together in the large measuring cylinder and look at the measurements.
3. You would expect the resulting solution to measure exactly 200ml, however it should actually give a volume of around 192ml.

Top tip

When measuring the liquids, practice your lab skills and get down to eye level to measure to the meniscus. Make sure you get every last drop, and monitor your mixture to see if any gas is given off.

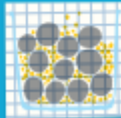
Materials

100ml of water
100ml of ethanol
(with adult supervision)
Three measuring cylinders – two smaller to measure out the liquids, and one larger to mix and read off the resulting volume.



How does it work?

When mixed together, the combined molecules fit together better than when they are alone, so they take up less space. It's similar to what happens when you mix a pile of sand and a pile of rocks. What's more, the OH- component of the ethanol and the H+ of the water molecules are attracted to each other - creating hydrogen bonds. These bonds create a tight molecular formation, reducing the volume of the combined liquids.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS:

Universal Free School meals are available for every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

However, you may be eligible for what is known as 'Free School Meals', this is available for all families to apply who are on a low income from Reception to Year 6. If your application is successful the school will be provided additional financial support which will then enable us to help you. To ascertain if you are eligible please apply using the link below.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

COOL MILK:

If any of our Free School Meal pupils would like morning milk, the school would pay but please email the school to request this. If any other parent would like to pay for morning milk they can register and pay cool milk.



FREE and subsidised school milk
Register your child today!

Is your child entitled to FREE milk?

- Child under 5?** Every child under the age of five is entitled to FREE school milk.
- Child over 5?** Every child over the age of five is entitled to milk at a subsidised price of around £14 per term.

Register your child online for FREE school milk today. | Register online now and you can pay straight away!

Register your child for school milk today.
Sign them up in a few clicks...

Go online and quickly register your child for school milk at www.coolmilk.com

Need help? Contact our Customer Service team on 01606 321 3248 or via email at registrations@coolmilk.com

Cool Milk
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WILDLIFE EVENTS:

Ipswich Borough Council are running wildlife events at various parks around Ipswich. 14th – 26th February. All events are free to attend.

WILDLIFE EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2022

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
Monday 14th February 2022	Ipswich Loves Trees Day – Commemorative tree planting and bird box making and painting	Christchurch Park (By the Reg Driver Centre)	10:00 – 12:00
Tuesday 15th February 2022	National Bird Box Week make and paint bird boxes	Braziers Meadow (At the bottom of the Tump by the Pickett Hamilton Fort)	11:00 – 14:00
Wednesday 16th February 2022	Tree planting	Ellenbrook Open Space (meet by the play area)	10:00 – 12:00
Wednesday 16th February 2022	Wildflower planting	Gippeswyk Park (Meet by the Ancaster Road Entrance)	13:00 – 14:30
Thursday 17th February 2022	Bird Box making and painting Event	Chantry Park (meet by the play area)	12:00 – 14:00
Friday 18th February 2022	Tree planting	Birkfield Drive (meet on corner of Birkfield Drive and Stonelodge Lane)	10:30 – 12:30
Sunday 20th February 2022	Bird box making and painting event	Alexandra Park (by the play area)	10:00 – 12:00
Monday 21st February 2022	Woodland planting	Chantry Green	10:00 – 13:00
Tuesday 22nd February 2022	Ravenswood Wildlife Group Community orchard planting and Skylark awareness event	Braziers Wood Road Entrance to Braziers Meadow/Wood	10:00 – 12:00
Tuesday 22nd February 2022	Tree planting	Entrance to Gainsborough Sports Centre, Braziers Wood Road	12:30 – 14:00
Tuesday 22nd February 2022	Tree planting	Ravenswood Estate, Downham Boulevard, Ravenswood Avenue End	14:30 – 15:30
Wednesday 23rd February 2022	Miyawaki woodland planting and related crafts	Sherrington Road Rec	10:00 – 14:00
Thursday 24th February 2022	Tree planting	Cherry Lane Rec, by the play area	13:00 – 14:00
Friday 25th February 2022	Miyawaki woodland planting	St Augustines Rec, Cobham Road	10:00 – 14:00
Saturday 26th February 2022	Miyawaki woodland and related crafts	Castle Hill Rec	10:00 – 12:00



MICROSOFT TRAINING:



This is available for Parents and families, this is basic training, just select the course below to book your space.

Microsoft Team -- 16th March/13th April/11th May -- <https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/store/workshops-training-and-events/detail/introduction-to-teams-webinars?program=Students&src=results&pos=19>

Windows 10 Basic -- 4th Feb/7th Feb/18th Feb/25th Feb -- <https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/store/workshops-training-and-events/detail/get-started-with-windows-10?program=Professionals&src=results&pos=1>

Term Dates:

Term dates for 2021 – 2022

Spring Term 2022

Wednesday 5th January – Friday 08th April

Half term: 21st – 25th February

Staff Training day: 4th January

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 26th April – Tuesday 19th July

Bank holiday: 02nd May & 6th June

Half term: 30th May – 03rd June

Staff Training days: 25th April, 20th & 21st July

Term dates for 2022 – 2023

Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5th September – Friday 16th December

Half term: 24th – 28th October

Staff Training day: 1st & 2nd September

Spring Term 2023

Wednesday 4th January – Friday 31st March

Half term: 13th – 17th February

Staff Training day: 3rd January

Summer Term 2023

Tuesday 18th April – Thursday 20th July

Bank holiday: 1st May

Half term: 29th May – 2nd June

Staff Training days: 17th April, 21st July