

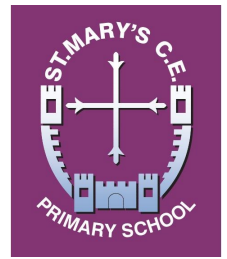
St Mary's Newsletter

Spring Term – Friday 25th April 2025

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Attendance Weekly 96.1%
Attendance Year 94.9%

Our motto: Let Your Light Shine... as You Grow inspired by Matthew 5: 15-16

Compassion

Friendship

Perseverance

Respect

Trust

Truthfulness

Dear parents, carers and friends of the school,

Welcome to back to St Mary's. I hope you have all managed to get a good rest over the Easter break and have been able to enjoy the rapidly improving weather conditions as we rapidly approach the Summer term. I am looking forwards to a productive and enjoyable Summer term, with lots of memorable learning opportunities and enjoyable activities to come.

Class Updates to reconvene next week, but please check out the Diary Dates (on the last page of this newsletter) as there are lots of events to add to your own calendars!

Finally, don't forget that as the weather improves that the children should be wearing their summer uniform. If you are unsure of the uniform requirements please check out our uniform policy which is available on our school website following this link: [Uniform Information - St Mary's Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School](http://www.stmaryssw.org.uk)

School Crossing Patrol

We are delighted to welcome Martin Shaw, our new School Crossing Patrol Officer, who started his duties this week. Martin will be helping to ensure our pupils and families cross the junction at the Little Walden Road safely each day. Martin met with me after school yesterday and said that he is thoroughly enjoying his new role and that the children and families 'have been extremely polite', which is lovely to hear!

Please give Martin a warm welcome (if you haven't done so already) and be sure to follow his instructions for everyone's safety. Let's all work together to make sure our school community stays safe and supported.



ECO garden news

Sowing season is in full swing here at St Mary's. The classes have all been caring for their radish and chive seeds indoors which have grown really well over the last few weeks. The eco committee helped plant these out this morning in the garden beds before the Easter break. We hope they won't get eaten by slugs! We also planted more potatoes and thanks to Cultivating Change, the gardening charity we are working with, we planted out kale and chard seedlings. If anyone would like to help with a gardening club at school or over holiday periods then please let us know. The children love gardening and get so much out of growing their own produce.

Thanks—Mrs McInnes

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the lovely, sunny weather!

Mr C. D. Jarmain

Headteacher of St Mary's Church of England Primary school, Saffron Walden



ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

TENNIS

FOR CHILDREN



MONDAYS 3.15-4PM

WITH ALI'S TENNIS

28TH APRIL

10 × LESSONS

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Diary Dates



Key Dates for the Spring/Summer Term

Tuesday 22nd April	-	INSET DAY
Wednesday 23rd April	-	Pupils return to school at 8.30am
Thursday 24th April	-	Year 6 Residential Meeting for Parents/Carers (5.00pm)
Friday 25th April	-	Year 6 Swimming starts
Monday 28th April	-	Yr 2 trip to Imperial War Museum, Duxford
Monday 5th May	-	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Friday 9th May	-	FOSM Non Uniform Day
Mon 12th— Wed 14th May	-	Year 5 Residential
Mon 12th— Thurs 15th May	-	Year 6 SATs Week
Thursday 15th May	-	Special Census Lunch
Wednesday 21st May	-	Yr4 trip to SWCH Farm
Friday 23rd May	-	Year 6 Krispy Kreme Donut Sale
Friday 23rd May	-	Ascension Day Service at St Mary's Church (9.30am)
Mon 26th— Fri 30th May	-	HALF TERM
Monday 2nd June	-	Pupils return to school at 8.30am
Mon 2nd— Fri 6th June	-	Year 6 Residential
Wednesday 4th June	-	R25 Parent/Carer Information Meeting (9.30am)
Friday 6th June	-	Yr4 catchup swimming session at Lord Butler
Monday 9th - Friday 13th June	-	One Plan Meetings
Wednesday 11th June	-	Yr 1 Linton Zoo Visit
Friday 20th June	-	INSET DAY
Thursday 26th June	-	District Athletics (Carver Barracks)
Friday 27th June	-	SWCHS Transition Day for Year 6
Saturday 28th June (10am-1pm)	-	FOSM Summer Fair
Tuesday 1st July	-	Yr 4 Museum of Zoology Visit
Wednesday 2nd July	-	Sports Day
Monday 7th July	-	Reception Boydells Dairy Farm Visit
Wednesday 9th July	-	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 11th July	-	Reception Celebration Event (9.00am)
Friday 11th July	-	School reports sent out
Friday 11th July	-	KS2 Leavers Disco (5.00-6.30pm School Hall)
Monday 14th July	-	Moving Up Afternoon
	-	Meet the Teacher (3.15pm Years 1&2), (3.30pm Year 3)
Tuesday 15th July	-	Meet the Teacher (3.15pm Years 4&5), (3.30pm Year 6)
	-	Yrs 5&6 Production (6pm School Hall)
Thursday 17th July	-	Yr 6 Leavers Lunch
Tuesday 22nd July	-	End of Year/Leavers Service (9.30am St Mary's Church)
Tuesday 22nd July	-	End of school year - finish at 1.30pm

Please note all new or changed dates are in blue