

St Mary's Newsletter

Spring Term – Friday 6th September 2024

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Attendance Weekly 96.7%

Attendance Year 96.7%



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

Friendship

Trust

Truthfulness

Compassion

Perseverance

Respect

Dear parents, carers and friends of the school,

Welcome back to the new academic year, 2024 to 2025! I am delighted to note that the weather has stayed reasonably warm and summery and this week has absolutely flown by.

Our pupils have settled into school brilliantly and got themselves into their new class and school routines. The pupil's uniform has overall been excellent and I have been pleased to see how smart the children are all looking at the start of this academic year —thank you so much for your support with this, it is very much appreciated.

I would like to say a warm welcome, on behalf of everyone here at St Mary's, to six new members of staff: Mrs Dell, Mrs Bonomo-Jackson, Mrs Brighten, Miss Marks, Mrs Dowling and Miss Scott-Simpson. I am delighted to report that they have all settled in brilliantly and they all look as if they have been here for years!

I would also like to warmly welcome all of our new Butterfly pupils (Reception class) who have been joining us this week on a staggered start, as well as a number of new pupils in other year groups who have transferred to St Mary's. I am excited to find out more about all of these pupils and watch them grow and learn here at St Mary's.

As ever, please don't forget to check out the list of Diary Dates (on the last page of this newsletter). Class Updates will start next week, on the children's first full week in school. I look forward to finding out what they have been up to!

Here's to a great term and another fantastic academic year.

Warm regards

Mr C. D. Jarman

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

PACT for Autism September Meet Up

Parents and Carers— Cuppa and Connect

For Parents /Carers to connect with the PACT team and other Parents/Carers, explore themes /questions you may have.

PACT is a Neurodiverse community of Families, Individuals, community allies and organisations, No diagnosis is needed to attend our sessions. We look forward to seeing you .

Saffron Walden

When : September 17th: Time : 7pm - 8.30 pm

Where : Mind Community Space, 1 &2 Bakehouse Court,19 High Street, CB101AT



Diary Dates



Key Dates for the Autumn Term 2024:

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| Monday 2nd September & Tuesday 3rd September | - INSET training days for staff members |
| Wednesday 4th September (8.30am) | - Start of the Autumn Term |
| Tuesday 17th September | - Whole school drumming workshop |
| Thursday 26th September | - Harvest Festival at St Mary's Church |
| Friday 25th September | - Light Day—non uniform day (wear colourful clothes) |
| Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November | - Half term |
| Monday 4th November | - INSET training day for staff members |
| Tuesday 5th November (8.30am) | - Pupils back to school |
| Thursday 7th November | - Parent/Carer book look 8.30—9.00 and 3.15—4.00 |
| Friday 8th November | - Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church 11.00am |
| Tuesday 12th November and Thursday 14th November | - Parent/Carer Consultations (School Hall) 3.15pm-6.00pm |
| Monday 18th November and Tuesday 26th November | - Reception 2025 Open Morning 9.30—11.30 |
| Wednesday 4th December | - PTA Pantomime |
| Friday 6th December | - Christmas Jumper Day |
| Tuesday 10th December | - EYFS & KS1 Nativity at St Mary's Church 6.00pm - 7.00pm |
| Thursday 12th December | - Flu Immunisation |
| Monday 16th December | - Christmas lunch |
| Thursday 19th December | - Carol service at St Mary's Church 9.30am—10.30am |
| Friday 20th December | - Last day of term—1.30pm |

Please note all new or changed dates are in blue.

