



ST MARY'S CE FIRST ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

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"SHINE AS A LIGHT IN THE WORLD"

Matthew 5:16



Dear Parents and Carers,

Today has been wonderful as both staff and pupils have gathered together to enjoying celebrating the Queen's platinum Jubilee. The whole school joined in worship where we shared thoughts and facts about the Queen as well as singing our Jubilee songs. Each child has been gifted a mug from Lapley, Stretton and Wheaton Aston Parish Council and a pin badge from our own PTA. Hopefully these will be gifts to treasure in years to come. At lunch time all of the children ate together in the hall having our very own street party. Throughout the day children have been painting bunting, decorating crowns and generally enjoying the festivities.

We can't wait to see as many of you as possible at the Community Picnic on Sunday 5th June. The children will be singing at 12.30pm. Please bring the children to myself or Mrs Johnson and also collect them from us. Please can the children wear red, white and blue and bring flags to wave with them. As you will know a live band will be performing as well as our local dance school and karate club. BBQ food will be available to purchase or you are more than welcome to bring your own picnic. Please can I say a huge thank you to everyone who has worked so hard preparing this day for our local community.

Have a wonderful half term.

We look forward to hearing all about the children's adventures when we return to school on Tuesday 7th June.

Many thanks
Mrs N. R Brennan



DINE

WITH MIQUILL

Week Commencing:
09/05, 06/06, 27/06, 18/07

WEEK THREE

DINE

Main Meal

DINE

Vegetarian

Dessert

Sweet Options

MONDAY

Beef Burger

Herb Wedges

Margherita Pizza

Cheese & Tomato
Topped Pizza with
Potato Wedges

Carrot Cake

TUESDAY

Chicken and
Vegetable Pie

Crushed Potatoes

Fruity Chickpea
Tagine

Jewelled Couscous

Ginger Cookie

WEDNESDAY

Roast Beef

Roast Potatoes

Cheese and
Tomato Quiche

Roast Potatoes

Jam Sponge

Custard

THURSDAY

Marinated Chicken
Wrap

Rosemary Wedges

Macaroni Cheese

With Garlic Bread

Mixed Fruit Tart

FRIDAY

Battered Fish

Chips

Cheesy Bean
Wrap

Chips

Chocolate Chip
Flapjack

Fresh Vegetables & Sides, Bread, Yoghurt and Fruit are
available daily

STAR OF THE WEEK

Class	Pupil
Nursery	Olivia R
Reception	Oliver B
Year 1 & 2	Jonah
Year 3	Max T
Year 4	Rose

A massive well done to all children for all their hard work this week. We are proud to call you a part of our St Mary's Family.



Activities



**THE BIG COMMUNITY
JUBILEE LUNCH**
SUNDAY 5TH JUNE
12 - 4
AT ST MARY'S SCHOOL
FREE ENTRY

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THIS ONCE IN A
LIFETIME EVENT WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

WEAR RED, WHITE & BLUE

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT THROUGHOUT THE DAY

INFLATABLE ZONE

BAR/GIN BAR/SLUSH PUPPIES

BBQ/FISH & CHIPS/SWEETS/CAKES

ROYAL BAKE OFF COMPETITION

BEST DRESSED & BEST CROWN COMPETITION

BRING CHAIRS AND A PICNIC

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE - NO DOGS



ST MARY'S FIRST ACADEMY, WHEATON ASTON ST19 9PQ

Calling all master bakers. Design & create a Royal themed cake masterpiece to earn your seat as Wheaton Aston's finest.

**THE GREAT
WHEATON ASTON
ROYAL BAKE OFF**

Deadline for entry - 1st June 2022*
Cakes to arrive at School.
on Sunday 5th June by 11.30am
for display & Judging,

2 competition categories
to be judged on look, taste
& originality:
Junior Royal Bake off
Adult Royal Bake Off

Free to enter
Prizes to be won

Collect an entry form from
The Spar, St Mary's Church,
St Mary's School Office, &
The Coach - title &
description of cake is
required



PENKRIDGE ACTIVITY CAMPS

Penkridge Leisure Centre is providing arts and craft activities on Wednesday 1 June, in addition to a variety of daytime swims. Full details can be found at <https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/leisure/school-holiday-camps-4.cfm>

CODSALL ACTIVITY CAMPS

Codsall Leisure Centre are providing activity camps from Monday 30 May – Thursday 2 June. (The leisure centres are closed on Friday 3 June).

Aspire Sports will also be provided a free jubilee-themed activity camp. For full details, visit <https://www.sstaffs.gov.uk/leisure/school-holiday-camps-2.cfm>

School Jubilee Day



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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS

YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of YouTube which offers a colourful and easy-to-navigate environment that's suitable for young children. This app is easily accessible and available for mobile devices, which can be downloaded without needing the YouTube app on the device. Despite YouTube Kids seeming like a very child-friendly platform, it has raised concerns over its advertising and inappropriate content seeping through the curation process.

SETTING UP

1 Download the YouTube Kids app and connect your own YouTube channel.

2 Input your child's name, age and birth month.

3 Select the types of videos you want to include for your child based on their age and your own personal choice.

4 If you decide to approve the content yourself, the app will present you with sample videos for you to accept and reject.

5 Once you've made your choice, you're ready to use the app!

Advice for Parents & Carers

REMOVE ADVERTISEMENTS

Like YouTube, adverts on YouTube Kids are also quite pervasive. If you decide you don't want your child being exposed to adverts, you can subscribe to YouTube Premium which will remove adverts on YouTube Kids. However, it's worth remembering that this doesn't block adverts that content creators decide to make as part of their content, and children are still able to access channels from branded fast food or toy companies.

RESTRICT VIEWING TIME

The YouTube Kids app provides you with the option of setting up a timer to monitor and limit your child's daily usage, which automatically stops the video when it reaches the set time. It may be best to make use of this feature to prevent screen addiction - which can potentially lead to children staying up too late, affecting their mood and concentration the following day.

BE WARY OF UNSUITABLE CONTENT

YouTube Kids has a far lower chance of showing unsuitable material than YouTube, but there are still reports of malicious users deliberately uploading inappropriate content. It's important that your child feels able to talk to you if they were ever exposed to upsetting content in the future. It's also safest to report inappropriate videos: tap the three dots in the corner of the video and select 'Report'.

MONITOR WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has also made it possible for parents and carers to see what their children are watching on the app by clicking on the 'Recommended' icon on the top right of the home screen. It may also be worth having a look at what your child has recently watched by clicking on their history tab. The red bar on the video shows how much of the video has been watched.

DISABLE SEARCH OPTION

YouTube Kids allows you to disable the search feature, which you may find useful in preventing your child from unintentionally finding age-inappropriate content. Doing this will also give you more control over what your child is watching. It's also worth noting that setting an age limit will ensure that your child is only exposed to recommended videos that are deemed suitable for their age group.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for your child. This may require spending time finding channels and content that you and your child will enjoy and benefit from. Try introducing family sessions where you can share the most enjoyable videos that you and your child have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you and your child many new things to talk about with each other.

Meet Our Expert

Clare Gidman (aka @LunaWolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of LunaWolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



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St Mary's CE First Academy
Term Dates and Holidays 2022-2023
Dates are subject to change.

Summer Term 2022

Half term: Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

Jubilee Event - Sunday 5th June

Jubilee bank holiday - Monday 6th June

NSPCC The Big Break time - Friday 10th June (Non school uniform £1 donation please wear old play clothes)

Wheaton Aston Carnival - Saturday 18th June

Year 4 Rocket Day at Brewood Middle Academy - Saturday 2nd July (Details to follow)

Sports Day - Thursday 7th July (PM Parents welcome)

End of year leavers disco - Thursday 14th July (PTA Event)

Leavers Worship - Wednesday 20th July (Year 4 parents and guardians welcome)

Term ends: Wednesday 20th July

Inset Day: Thursday 21st July

Holiday: Friday 22nd July - Friday 2nd September

Autumn Term 2023

Inset Day: Monday 5th September

Term Starts: Tuesday 6th September

Holiday: Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October

Term ends: Friday 16th December

Holiday: Monday 19th December - Monday 2nd January

Inset Days (School Closed to Pupils)

Monday 5th September 2022
Tuesday 6th September 2022