

# St. Mary's News

"SHINE AS A LIGHT IN THE WORLD"

Matthew 5:16

Newsletter No: 34



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Another busy week has come to an end. The children have really been working hard and have been enjoying learning in different ways. This week Silver Birch had a visit from Mr. Willis who taught them all about fire safety while Sycamore had a Zoom call with Christina Balit who is the author of their class text 'Escape to Pompeii'. The whole school have also been learning about Harvest in a fabulous food to fork talk from Mrs. Foxhall. A very big thank you to everyone for helping our children develop and grow.



Although it hasn't been an issue at St Mary's, some schools have been having concerns about the number of mobile phones being brought into schools. Please may I remind you that no children should be bringing mobile phones or mobile based technology such as smart watches into school. If children bring it by mistake, we keep them securely in the school safe until a parent or guardian can pick them up at the end of the day. Sometimes exceptions to the rule have to be made. If you feel your child/ren has exceptional circumstances (often for medical reasons) then we will work with you to find a mutual agreement. St Mary's cannot and does not take any responsibility for any mobile phones or similar technology brought into school.

From Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October we will be welcoming parents and guardians to join us for our weekly Celebration Worship. During the worship we celebrate attendance, Star of the Week and awards from home. After dropping your child/ren off in the morning please come into the hall for a cup of tea or coffee. We start worship at 9.30am and aim to finish at 9.50am. If your child/ren is receiving a certificate from school (e.g. Star of the Week) we will contact, you on Wednesday via text and Class Dojo. Hopefully, this will give enough time to arrange for someone to come and watch from your child's family. As ever, if you are unable to attend, please don't worry as all of the children and staff in the St Mary's family cheer for everyone.



Mrs. N R Brennan Head Of School



Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October All parents/guardians welcome from 2:45 to 3:15pm to come and see the wonderful work the children have been doing as well as their new classrooms.



Harvest Festival Friday 6th October at St. Mary's church which will be led by Reverend Rachel. Please join us to celebrate.



Hello yellow Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October children to wear something yellow for raising awareness for children's mental health. This is the first event being run by our Pupil Leadership Team.

Parents evening Monday 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October



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4 <sup>th</sup> October	Veolia Recycling visit to school.	
5 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Book Look 2:45 – 3:15pm Parents welcome.	
6 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival at Church.	
10 <sup>th</sup> October	Hello Yellow- Children to wear something yellow for raising awareness for children's mental health.	
9 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening (Please note the change of date)	
10 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents Evening	
16 <sup>th</sup> October	Hate, crime awareness week,	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance day at	

Church - Information to

Anti Bullying week.

Odd Socks day - All

children and staff to come in odd socks.

Children to come dressed down for a £1 donation.

Children in Need -

Wheaton Aston light

International children's

St Andrews day - All

staff and children to wear something blue.

Sycamore leading worship

parents welcome 2:45pm

Theme Advent sycamore

switch on.

day.

follow.

November

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13<sup>th</sup>

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17<sup>th</sup>

18th

20th

30<sup>th</sup>

1st

Silver Birch 98.6%	Sycamore 97.6%
Congretulations	
•	o all our classes who have nment's expectation of 96%
	or above
Star o	of the week

Attendance

Matters

Oak

100%

Willow

98.4%

Cherry

90%

Class Pupil
Cherry Edith
Willow Alissa
Oak Sophia
Silver Birch William
Sycamore Jessica

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

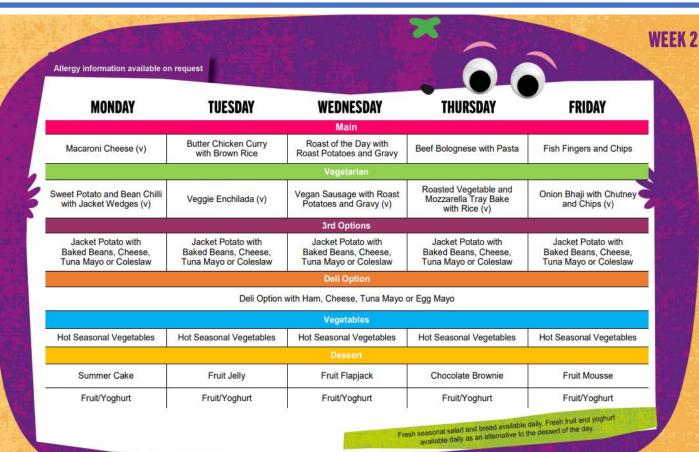


Are you entitled?



Are you entitled to Free school meals, please use the link below.

https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/Educational-awards-benefits/FreeSchoolMeals/Apply-online.aspx















# SPECIAL DAY

## **Thursday 5th October**

Main

Hot Dog Pizza (v)

Sides

Chips Vegetables

Followed by Iced Sponge

A healthy food meal is important for children and young people to keep healthy and improve their performance









# Join the PTA!

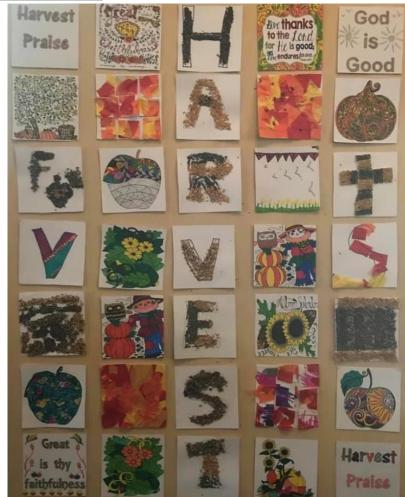




# MESSY CHURCH FOR HARVEST

Crafts, Stories and song..
Followed by lunch.

Children - Don't forget you need to have your grown-ups with you!



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about **SOCIAL MEDIA &**

An estimated one-third of children have a social media account, so it's important that trusted adults know what content young people are consuming, what they're posting and the interactions they're having. On social media, it can be easy to go down 'rabbit holes' that aren't beneficial to our wellbeing. As platforms grapple with managing such 'legal but harmful' content, lives are being impacted - sometimes to tragic effect. We might be daunted by the scale of the tech glants and their content which so enthrals young people, but we can still help children to be aware of their mental wellness; recognising when something isn't OK ... and knowing what to do about content that upsets them.

## RSTAND THE RITHM

#### THE MAIN FEEDS

## N HOW TO CONTENT

#### ULY LIMITS

### ur Expert





## @nationalonlinesafety

## 6. MONITOR THEIR ACTIVITY

#### 8. USE DEVICES TOGETHER

EN!



#WakeUpWednesday