

Dates for the Diary

13th April - Back to school
 22nd April - Phonics meeting - Y1 parents
 4th May - Bank Holiday Monday
 22nd May - Church Service - Bears
 25th May-29th May - Half term
 1st June -Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
 8th June - Y1 Phonics check week
 26th June - Church service - Ladybirds
 17th July - Leavers Service in Church
 17th July - Last day of term
 20th July - INSET day for staff
 1st & 2nd September - INSET days
 Thursday 3rd September - Back to School for children



Thank you to all our families for supporting all our Spring/Easter events and donating and spending so generously - the children have had a great time at the two Discos, the Wonky Bars were a great success, and our Easter Tombola was fantastic. A huge thankyou to our PTFA team,  who organise all the events for us. The total raised from all 4 events was a whopping £1165.00 all proceeds going back into school to spend on the children! Amazing!



Attendance

This week's attendance is **96.4%**
 Our attendance would have been 97% without lates and holidays.

We would like to wish you all a Happy Easter and have a lovely two weeks off with your children.



Kind hearts are the gardens,
 Kind words are the roots,
 Kind thoughts are the flowers,
 Kind deeds are the fruits.

Take care of your garden
 And keep out the weeds;
 Fill it with sunshine,
 Kind words and kind deeds.



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27th March 2026

ST. MARY'S C.E. (A) FIRST SCHOOL



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Worship

The children in **Crocodiles** led a lovely Easter Service in Church today. Clear, confident voices and beautiful singing. Thankyou to everyone who walked with us, very much appreciated.



Swimming after Easter

The Leopards class will be starting their swimming lessons at the Leisure Centre on **Tuesday 21st April.**



There is no Celebration Worship on **Friday 17th April** as the children will be having a visit from a Musical Theatre company for the afternoon. Another special treat from the PTFA fundraising events!

Easter Bonnet Parade

What a lovely Easter Bonnet Parade we had eventually!!  Thankyou to everyone who came to watch, and for helping your children to make such fabulous bonnets! Some of our children paraded at The Hermitage too, the ladies wore their own hats and loved seeing our children. 

Croft on the Heath



Alert - KS2 on MONDAY!!
PE KITS for the day and WELLIES

Mon 13 th Apr	pm - Crocs & Giraffes & Leopards
Tues 14 th Apr	
Wed 15 th Apr	am - Butterflies pm - Bear Cubs & Ladybirds
Thurs 16 th Apr	pm - Penguins
Fri 17 th Apr	

Please make sure your child has their **wellies, a waterproof coat, and a pair of old tracksuit bottoms** in a named bag on their Croft Day. 

FOOD FESTIVAL
WEEK 1
Spring/Summer 2026
13/04/26, 04/05/26, 25/05/26,
15/06/26, 06/07/26, 27/07/26,
17/08/26, 07/09/26, 28/09/26,
19/10/26

LUNCHTIME

PRIMARY WORLD

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THE MAIN EVENT	Macaroni Cheese C	Sticky Chicken Noodles C	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy C	Beef Wholegrain Bolognese C	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips B
MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges B	Hoisin Sticky Vegetable Noodles B	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake, Skin on Roasties and Gravy B	Veggie Wholegrain Bolognese B	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips B
RAINBOW ALLEY Vegetables and Salads	Vegetable Sticks	Broccoli and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Peas	Mixed Greens	Baked Beans and Peas
BIG TOPPING Filled Jackets	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B
DESSERT TROLLEY	Orange Squash Cupcakes B	Strawberry Jelly A	Peach Upside Down Cake and Custard B	Chocolate Cinnamon Cake C	Banana Cookies B
	AVAILABLE DAILY DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT			PASTA TWIRLER AVAILABLE EVERY DAY TOPPED PASTA HOT PASTA TOPPED WITH HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE & CHEESE	

What impact has your meal had on planet Earth today?
A Very Low B Low C Medium D High E Very High

Next Term....



We will be offering Family Lunches, when each child can invite **one** family member for lunch!

Emails will be sent out the week before your class lunch, so you can see the menu, book and pay on parent pay!

- Wednesday 6th May - Giraffes
- Wednesday 13th May - Crocodiles
- Wednesday 20th May - Tigers
- Wednesday 3rd June - Leopards
- Wednesday 10th June - Zebras
- Wednesday 17th June - Bears
- Wednesday 24th June - Ladybirds

Please make sure your Parent Pay account is up to date. Thankyou



Wednesday 22nd April Year 1 Parents

Please come and find out about the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check which your child has to complete during the week of the **8th June** (please don't book a holiday during this week) You will find out about how you can help your child to practise their decoding and reading in preparation for the check.
2.45pm in the Hall with Mr Richardson.



Head Lice

Over the holiday, please, please check your child's hair, as headlice can make children feel itchy, sore and uncomfortable. They also spread very quickly to other heads.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



Dinner Money

After Easter, dinner money (KS2) needs to be credited to your Parent Pay account **BEFORE** your child has a school dinner please. This is to prevent families falling into debt. You will get a reminder to add funds into your account, if you go into debt.





Here is a summary of how we use Class Dojo to support our behaviour in school. Our Behaviour Policy reflects this in more detail and is available on our website.



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POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR POINTS

Positive Points	Reasons	Example Pupil Action	Consequence
Reward +1	On track	I complete my work in the time given I have been doing what I have been asked to do. I am engaged in my learning.	20 <u>behaviour</u> points per week will earn Golden Time on Friday.
Reward +1	Politeness	Saying please and thank you Showing good manners	
Reward +1	Resilience	I keep trying even when things get tough I am not giving up	
Reward +1	<u>Team Work</u>	Using good oracy skills. Working in a group. Being a good team member.	
Reward +1	Good Samaritan/Kindness	I open doors for people. I have a 'you before me' attitude I do things to help others. I am kind to people in what I say or what I do.	

Achievement Points

Children earn lots of points for their work, learning, resilience, reading at home, homework etc and they can cash these in at any time for a range of treats!

For example:

- Sit on a cushion all day.
- Bring a teddy to school for the day.
- Wear what you want for the day.
- Have a 'first to lunch' pass for the week.
- Be a teaching assistant for the day.
- Sit where you like in the classroom all day.



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NEGATIVE BEHAVIOUR POINTS

Negative Points	Child Actions	Example Pupil Action	Consequence
-1	I am not doing what I have been asked to do after reminders from the adult in charge.	Continuing to talk Refusing to work Not engaging in my learning	Teacher Talk in class
-2	I have not corrected my <u>behaviour</u> .	Verbally disrespectful Ignoring the adult Refusing to engage	Teacher talk at playtime.
-3	My behaviour is disrupting my learning or that of others in my class .	Refusal to leave or return to the classroom <u>Unsafe behaviour</u> Leaving the classroom Shouting across the class Making inappropriate noises to distract others	I will complete my work in another classroom for the rest of the day or the next day. My parent will be sent a message on class dojo by my teacher I may not be allowed out of school for my own and others safety.
-4	My <u>behaviour</u> is verbally and physically extreme, and I am impacting on the wellbeing of the school family	Physically hurts another child Verbally disrespectful to staff	School will phone my parents. I will work in another classroom the next day. My play times will be supervised



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