

## Dates for the Diary



6<sup>th</sup> May - Bank holiday Monday  
 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Church Service - Year 1  
 24<sup>th</sup> May - last day  
 25<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June - Half term holiday  
 21<sup>st</sup> June - Sports Day  
 3/4<sup>th</sup> July - Y4 at middle school  
 8/9<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 performance  
 19<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of term  
 22<sup>nd</sup> July - INSET day for staff  
 22<sup>nd</sup> July-2<sup>nd</sup> Sept -Summer Holidays

## Themed Weeks at St Mary's

We love planning and teaching themed weeks and we feel they have a positive impact on our children and their learning journey, but what do you think?

Please follow the link and complete our short survey - it will take you 60 seconds to complete! Thankyou

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GBFMY9L>



## Croft on the Heath

Mon	Crocs 20/5	Zebras 29/4, 13/5
Tues	Giraffes 7/5, 21/5	Tigers 30/4, 14/5
Weds		Bears 1/5, 15/5
	Ladybirds every week in the afternoon	
Thurs	Leaps 9/5, 23/5	
	Penguins every week in the morning	

Please make sure your child has their wellies and a pair of old tracksuit bottoms in a bag for their Croft Day.

It will often be muddy and/or wet and the children won't be able to access outdoor learning, if they haven't got their wellies/old trousers/waterproof.

## Artist in Residence

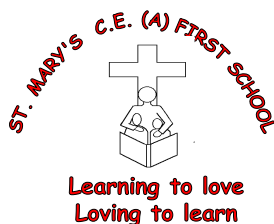
We have been very honoured to have our local artist, Alan Fernihough, in school to lead colour mixing workshops and share his art work with some of our classes this week. We have been studying Take One Picture with the National Gallery. The painting is "The Courtyard of a House in Delft" by artist, Pieter de Hooch.

Alan showed the children his recreation of the same painting which was amazing. Our roving Y4 reporters said.....  
*"He is a brilliant artist, he showed us his work and gave us some top tips for our artwork. He taught us about primary and secondary colours, and we made our own colour mixing wheel. We would love it if he came to visit again!"*



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## Worship

In worship this week, we have been thinking about the song, "Love one another and be kind" and we have also learned about Autism.

Our children know that "being autistic means that your brain works in a different way, and you might see the world differently". We know that we are all fantastic in lots of different ways and it is ok to be ourselves. God believes we are all special in our own way, and we should love one another and be kind, just like the Good Samaritan, no matter what our differences might be.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ezv85LMFx2E>

As we celebrate Autism Acceptance month, a huge thank you for supporting our Rainbow Day and bake sale.



## Coming Soon..

### Bee Week

13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> May

To celebrate National Bee Day and the importance of Bees. We will have some visitors in, have craft activities and produce some lovely artwork to decorate The Croft. We will also have a Muddy Church event!




**FOOD FESTIVAL**  
By Aspens

# LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL  
Week 2

Spring/Summer 2024:  
26/2, 18/3, 8/4,  
29/4, 20/5, 10/6,  
1/7, 22/7

Day	Main Event	Meat-Free Magic <small>Vegetarian Dish</small>	Rainbow Alley <small>Vegetarian and Jain</small>	Big Topping <small>Fried Jacket</small>	Dessert Trolley	Salad, Bread, Yoghurt and Fruit <small>APPEARING DAILY</small>
MONDAY	British Pork Hot Dog & Hand Cut Potato Wedges	Veggie Sausage & Cheese Hot Dog & Hand Cut Potato Wedges	Sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with Beans or Cheese or both	Classic Apple Crumble & Custard	 <p><b>PASTA TWIRLER</b> AVAILABLE EVERY DAY Topped Pasta Hot Pasta topped with Homemade Tomato Sauce &amp; Cheese</p>
TUESDAY	Margherita Pizza Slice	Pineapple Topped Pizza Slice	Potato Salad & Garden Salad	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo or Cheese	Orange Jelly & Clementine Slices	
WEDNESDAY	Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cheese & Onion Filo Pie with Roast Potatoes	Carrots & Peas	Jacket Potato with Beans or Cheese or both	Vanilla Ice Cream	
THURSDAY	Baked Mac & Cheese	Veggie Whole Grain Pasta Bolognese	Broccoli	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Chicken Mayo	Old School Cake & Sprinkles	
FRIDAY	Golden Fishcake & Chips	Cheesy Bean Wrap	Baked Beans	Jacket Potato with Beans or Cheese or both	Maple Oat Cookies	

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Read at



## Reading at Home

Reading aloud has many benefits for your child. It improves understanding, Home makes it easier to remember words, helps to improve vocabulary and develops fluency.

When you listen to your child read at home, you can hear how well they are doing and help to improve their accuracy, fluency, phrasing and speed. It also fosters the love for reading and builds reading relationships, supporting that ability to talk about stories, characters, poems, interesting facts and favourite story moments.

Children who read at home for at least 10 minutes every day, make increased progress, because the more they practice, the better they get.

Our children earn stickers and dojos for reading at home - don't forget to sign their reading record!

Follow the link to find out how to help at home.....

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/>

## Attendance in School



This week's attendance is **95.2%** not quite our target this week. Please help us to achieve our target!



## Celebration Worship Friday 3.00pm

All families are welcome to join us for Celebration Worship on a Friday. The door at the back of the Hall will be open at 2.50pm, you will need to sign in, via the QR code, then take a seat.

