

Dates for the Diary



Mon 12th October Parents Evening
 classes except Tigers
Mon 19th October Parents Evening -
 Tigers and some Ladybirds
Fri 23rd Oct - INSET day for staff
26th-30th Oct - Half Term
2nd November - Back to school
Fri 18th December - Last day of Term
Christmas Holiday
Mon 4th Jan 2027 - INSET day
5th January - Back to School
15th-19th February - half term
Mon 22nd February - INSET day
Thurs 25th March - Last day of term
Fri 26th Mar-9th April - Easter hols
12th April - Back to school
3rd May - Bank Holiday Monday
31st May-4th June - Half term
21st July - Last day of term

Breakfast Club- trial sessions!

We are offering "Express Drop-off"
 sessions in Breakfast Club (without
 Breakfast) from 8.15am or 8.30am -
 Book on via Parent Pay. It might help
 you out if you are short on time!!



PTFA Meeting on

Weds 30th September 6-7pm
in the Ladybirds classroom

All parents/carers/grandparents of
 our children are welcome to join us.
 and find out more about what we do!

Poetry Week - next week!

We are celebrating
 Poetry in our English
 lessons, and KS1 &
 KS2 are off to visit
 Uttoxeter Library.



Croft on the Heath



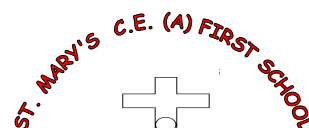
Mon 28 th Sept	Crocs/Leops/Giraffes pm
Tues 29 th Sept	
Wed 30 th Sept	Ladybirds & Penguins pm
Thur 1 st Oct	
Fri 2 nd Oct	



Please make sure your child has their
 wellies, coat and a pair of old tracksuit
 bottoms in a named bag for their Croft
 Day. It will often be muddy and/or wet
 and the children will struggle to access
 outdoor learning, if they haven't got
 their wellies/old trousers/waterproof.



Newsletter 4



Learning to love
 Loving to learn

25th September 2026

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Head Teacher - Mrs Jo Moulton

This year, we are celebrating our **Harvest Festival** in The
 Heath Church, which is very close to our school, along the new
 pathway, which you might have seen! Each class will join in a
 Harvest worship led by Rev Charles, and parents are
 welcome to **meet us there at 9.05am** to celebrate
 with us. Each class will have their own day, to bring
 their harvest gifts (tins/packages) and give thanks.



Monday 5th Oct - Tigers

Tuesday 6th Oct - Crocs

Wednesday 7th Oct - Zebras

Butterflies, Penguins & Ladybirds will celebrate Harvest in their
 Stay & Play sessions. All Harvest gifts will be shared with our
 local food banks.

Thursday 8th Oct - Giraffes

Friday 9th Oct - Leopards

Monday 12th Oct - Bears

Parents Evening

Monday 12th
October

Mrs Malkin
 (SENCo) will be
 available to talk to
 on the Monday
 evening if your
 child has additional
 needs

Tigers Parents
Evening - Monday
19th October



Celebrating the achievements of
 KS2 with a poetry recital!
The families of Giraffes,
Leopards & Crocodiles are
welcome to join us on
Friday 2nd October at 2.50pm.
 Entry is **through the office**,
 where you can sign in, and please
 make sure your phones are not in
 use. If your child is celebrating
 a birthday this week, you are
 welcome to join us!

Parking around school

Please be respectful to our
 neighbours when you are parking
 to drop off and pick up. We have
 had a few concerns reported
 about car engines running for
 long periods of time, and cars
 parking unsafely. We know it is
 busy, but please try to park
 respectfully. Thankyou



Cross Country Competition

Congratulations to the children
 in KS2 who represented our
 school at cross country. They
 were fantastic, and
 we are very
 proud of them.



Attendance in School

This week's attendance is

96.4%



Without lates and holidays, our
 attendance would have been 97%
 Please come to school on time.

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	Sticky Chicken Noodles	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Hot Dogs or Beef Burgers	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips
MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges	Hoisin Sticky Vegetable Noodles	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake, Skin on Roasties and Gravy		Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips
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	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
DESSERT TROLLEY	Orange Squash Cupcakes	Strawberry Jelly	Peach Upside Down Cake and Custard	Chocolate Cinnamon Cake	Banana Cookies

Thursday is Census Day

Our children have been voting for their favourite menu - can we get our biggest number of children having a school dinner on Thursday, see if we can beat our record of 145!

Middle School Open Evening

Please make sure you visit the middle schools on their open evenings, to see the options available for your Year 4 child next September....

Windsor Park - 7th Oct @6-8pm

Oldfields Hall - 8th Oct @ 6-8pm

The online portal to apply for middle school is on the Staffordshire County Council website.

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Admissions-primary/Apply/Application-forms-for-admission-to-school.aspx>



Our whole school Geography project!



To help improve our geographical awareness and vocabulary, we are looking to collect postcards from as many different places as possible - these can be visited by you, your children, or your family and friends. Your child can bring them in to talk about, and we can learn more about the local area, the country and maybe places around the world!



Stay & Play sessions:

One family member is invited to attend the Stay & Play - due to space, and we ask that no younger siblings attend. Please sign up on your classroom door, so we know you are coming!

Ladybirds:

Tuesday 6th October 2.30pm

Penguins:

Thursday 8th October 2.30pm

Butterflies:

Thursday 15th October 2.30pm (Croft)



We love welcoming parents and carers into school for our Stay and Play sessions. To ensure that everyone remains safe and in line with current safeguarding and DBS requirements, parents are asked to **support and work with their own child only** and not supervise or support other children. This enables school staff to remain responsible for the care and safeguarding of all pupils, while families can enjoy a special time learning and playing together.

Mr Cox is running a Multi Sports Club in half term, on Tuesday 27th October for St Mary's children and their siblings age 5-11.

It is the first time we have offered this exciting opportunity. and we hope it will be a great day for our children, should you wish to book on! If it is popular, we will try to run it every holiday! Spaces are limited.

BRAZILIAN SOCCER SCHOOLS

SPORTING FUN WITH MR COX

HOLIDAY CAMP

TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER
HALF TERM

MULTI-SPORTS CLUB

FOOTBALL
 BASKETBALL
 NETBALL
 CRICKET
 RUGBY
 DODGEBALL

AGES 5-11 YEARS

£20 FOR THE FULL DAY

ST MARY'S FIRST SCHOOL UTTOXETER

DROP OFF 8.30AM
PICK UP 4.00PM

TO SECURE YOUR SPACE, EMAIL TO southstaffs@socatots.co.uk
PAYMENT WILL SECURE YOUR SPACE

PLAY • DEVELOP • HAVE FUN