Dates for the Diary

10th Oct - Harvest in Church

3rd November - Back to school

6th January - Back to School

6th February - Church Service

16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> February - half term

23rd February - Back to School

27th March - Easter in Church

27th March - Last day of term

25th May-29th May - Half term

20th July - INSET day for staff

17th July - Leaver Service in Church

Car Parking around School

We know it is often difficult to park

close to school at drop off and pick up

times. However, please be respectful to

13th April - Back to school 4th May - Bank Holiday Monday

22nd May - Church Service

17th July - Last day of term

our neighbours, and do

not park across drives,

or park inconsiderately.

Thank you

7<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance in Church

12th December - Christmas in Church

5th Jan 2026 - INSET day for staff

13th February - INSET day for staff

19th December - Last day of Term

17th Oct - 4.45pm Disco

27th-31st Oct - Half Term

Key Stage 2

celebration

If it is your child's birthday next week you are welcome to

attend

Friday 3rd October

Families of Leopards/Giraffes/Crocodiles

Each KS2 class will perform a poem during worship. Please only come to your allocated key stage worship, and make sure your phone is on silent and not in use during the worship, thank you.

**Newsletter 4** 



Learning to love

Loving to learn

Attendance

This week's attendance is

26<sup>th</sup> September 2025

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Head Teacher - Mrs Jo Moult

Worship In worship, we have been celebrating our families. Families are all different, and that is

ok, but one thing is the same - we are loved. In our St Mary's family, we are all loved, we will have happy times, emotional times and may not always agree, but our St Mary's values will shine through as we strive to support our school and the children and families in it.

#### Parents Evening Monday 13th October

Parents evening appointment request letters will be sent out on Monday 6th October. Mrs Malkin (SENCo) will be available to talk to on the Monday

95.9% evening if your child has additional needs Tigers Parents Evening - Tues 14th Oct

Our attendance would have been 97.7% without holidays and lates, please arrive before 8.55am.



#### We hope all our EYFS families enjoyed their Stay & Play session this week.

Stay & Play sessions:

Next Week..... Nursery Penguins:

Tuesday 30th Sept 2.30pm

**Butterflies:** Wednesday 1st Oct 2.30pm 🥙 One family member is invited

to attend the Stay & Play due to space, and we ask that no younger siblings attend. This is a lovely time to spend

how they learn and play in school. Please sign up on your classroom door, so we know how many are coming!

with your child as you see



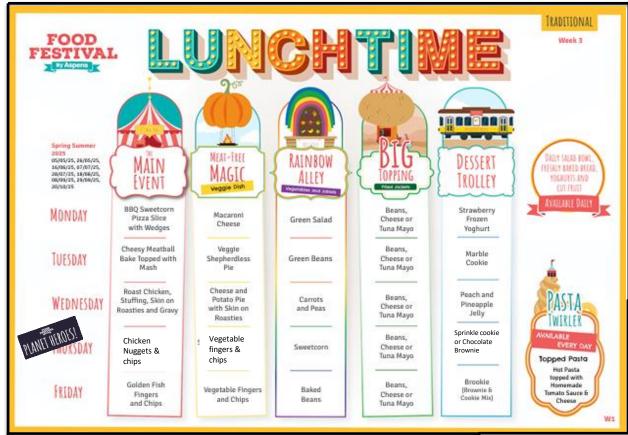
## Croft on the Heath

Change of day for Rear Cubs this week!

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Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Giraffes pm
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Leopards am
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Bear Cubs & Ladybirds pm
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Penguins pm
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Fri 3<sup>ra</sup> 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 won't be able to access

outdoor learning, if they haven't got their wellies/old trousers/waterproof.



### Harvest Festival in Church

The children in **Leopards** will be leading the Harvest Service at St Mary's Church on <u>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October</u> at 9.30am.



All the classes (except Penguins) will be walking to church at 9am to join in the service. As part of our Good Samaritan kindness, we will be asking for donations of tinned/packet food, which we will donate to our local food banks.

Parents are invited to join us, and we would love you to help us to walk down to the church - the more helpers we have the safer our journey is. Please let your teacher know on Showbie if you are helping to walk the children to church. You can also sign up on the sheet on the window, nearer the time.

# 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.



### Poetry Week

Next week, we are celebrating poetry!

On Wednesday, we have the West End



Theatre in school, leading a "Poetry in Motion" day, where our children will learn the poem, "The Owl and the Pussycat" with dance!

KS2 will be performing their poetry in Celebration Worship on Friday.

A huge thankyou to all our families for supporting the brilliant fundraising events run by our PTFA - this is what some of the money is being spent on, amazing for our children!

#### Thursday is Census Day



There is a special menu to try out - see if we can get our biggest number of children having hot dinners on Thursday, see if we can beat our record of 145!

### <u>Year 4</u> <u>Middle School Open Evenings</u>

Please make sure you visit the middle schools on their open events, to see the options available for your child in September.....

Oldfields Hall – 7<sup>th</sup> Oct @ 6–8pm Windsor Park – 9<sup>th</sup> Oct @6–8pm Ryecroft – 12<sup>th</sup> Oct @6–8pm

The online portal to apply for middle school can be found on the Staffordshire County Council website.

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