

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

Croft on the Heath

Mon 5 th Oct	Tigers/Zebra/Bears pm
Tues 6 th Oct	
Wed 7 th Oct	Ladybirds/Penguins
Thur 8 th Oct	
Fri 9 th 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.

Hello Yellow!

Mental Health Day Friday 9th Oct

To promote the
 importance of our
 mental health and
 wellbeing, children and
 staff may wear a little
 bit of yellow on Friday
 - socks, bobbles,
 hairband,
 T-shirt or
 pants!!



Celebrating the achievements of
EYFS & KS1

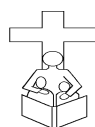
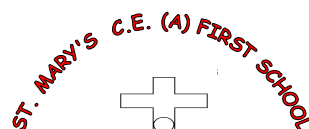
**The families of Ladybirds,
 Bears, Zebras & Tigers are
 welcome to join us on
 Friday 9th October at 2.50pm.**

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!



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2nd October 2026



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PARENTS EVENING

Monday 12th October

Your child will bring home a
 parents evening request letter
 today, please complete it, return it
 on Monday, and we will try to get a
 time which suits you.

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

**Tigers (& some Ladybirds)
 Parents Evening - Monday 19th
 October**



Attendance in School

This week's attendance is

95.3%

Without lates and holidays, our
 attendance would be **97.8%**
 Please come to school on time.



Thank you to those who joined us for
 our first meeting of the year, as it was
 just a small group this time, we
 decided to have the AGM on
 Wednesday 21st October at 6pm - to
 give everyone a bit more notice!
 We are already booking some exciting
 fundraising events!

We are introducing some
 fun activities in our
 After School Club.



This **Wednesday is Cocktail Time!!!**
 We will be tasting some lovely fruits
 and making our own cocktails!! Come
 and have a go!

£6.00 - for biscuits, toast, fruit and a
 cocktail to take home!! 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 7th October

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/packets) 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

FOOD FESTIVAL
by Aspens

WEEK 2
Spring/Summer 2026
20/04/26, 11/05/26, 01/06/26,
22/06/26, 13/07/26, 03/08/26,
24/08/26, 14/09/26, 05/10/26

LUNCHTIME

PRIMARY WORLD

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN EVENT	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Pasta	Chicken Masala Curry with Rice	Roast Gammon, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Chicken Fajitas with Paprika Rice	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips
MEAT-FREE MAGIC	Cheddar & Tomato Puff Pastry Tart with Wedges	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Balti with Rice	Tomato & Lentil Layer Bake, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Veggie Tortilla Stack with Paprika Rice	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips
RAINBOW ALLEY	Vegetable Sticks	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Cabbage	Mixed Salad	Baked Beans and Peas
BIG TOPPING	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	Lemon Shortbread Fingers	Orange Jelly	Apple Sponge and Custard	Oaty Peach Crumble Slice	Chocolate Krispie Date Squares

What impact has your meal had on planet Earth today?

AVAILABLE DAILY
DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT

PASTA TWIRLER
HOT PASTA TOPPING
HOMEMADE TO

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.



Middle School Open Evenings

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>

School Photographs

Tempest Photography will be in school on **Monday 19th October**. Individual photos and sibling photos will be taken during the morning. If you wish to have a family photo with younger siblings - 8.30am in the Hall, please wait at the back door!

Smart uniform and a smile for everyone please!



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 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

ST MARYS FIRST SCHOOL UTTOXETER

£20 FOR THE FULL DAY

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