Dates for the Diary

27th Nov – Non uniform day – rainbow raffle donations
8th Dec – Rainbow Raffle day
Fri 11th Dec – 9.30am Church Service **5.00pm** Christmas Soiree
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
31stMay-4th June – Half term
21st July – Last day of term

Remembrance Day

Poppy merchandise will be on sale in the school office on Monday & Tuesday if you still need something! On Wednesday, at 11am, we will remember them.

After School Club

Wednesday 11th November
Book on Parent Pay!!



Croft on the Heath

Mon 9th Nov	Tigers/Zebra/Bears
Tues 10th Nov	
Wed 11th Nov	Ladybirds/Penguins
Thur 12th Nov	
Fri 13th Nov	

Please make sure your child has their wellies, warm, waterproof 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 need to access outdoor learning with all the right kit!

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

Learning to love
Loving to learn

6th November 2026

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celebration WORSHIP

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

Friday 13th November
Families of Ladybirds/Bears/Zebras/Tigers
Please only come to your child's key stage worship, and make sure your phone is on silent and not in use during the worship, thank you.

Worship

In worship, we have continued our learning about the Fruit of the Spirit – we have been thinking about kindness. We have decided to "colour our world with kindness."
https://youtu.be/mdA2sByFX1I

Reception Class-Sept 2027

If your child is going to be 5 years old, between Sept 2027 and August 2028, then you need to apply for a Reception place in school. Please click on the link – you need to apply before January 15th 2027
https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Admissions-primary/Apply/Overview.aspx

Diabetes Awareness Day Wednesday 11th November

This charity is very close to our hearts at St Mary's, as we support one of our children who has diabetes. To help raise awareness, children can wear a **little bit of blue** with their uniform - t-shirt, socks, headband or even blue nail polish (just for the day!!) and if you can make a small donation, we will send it to Diabetes UK. Thank you

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

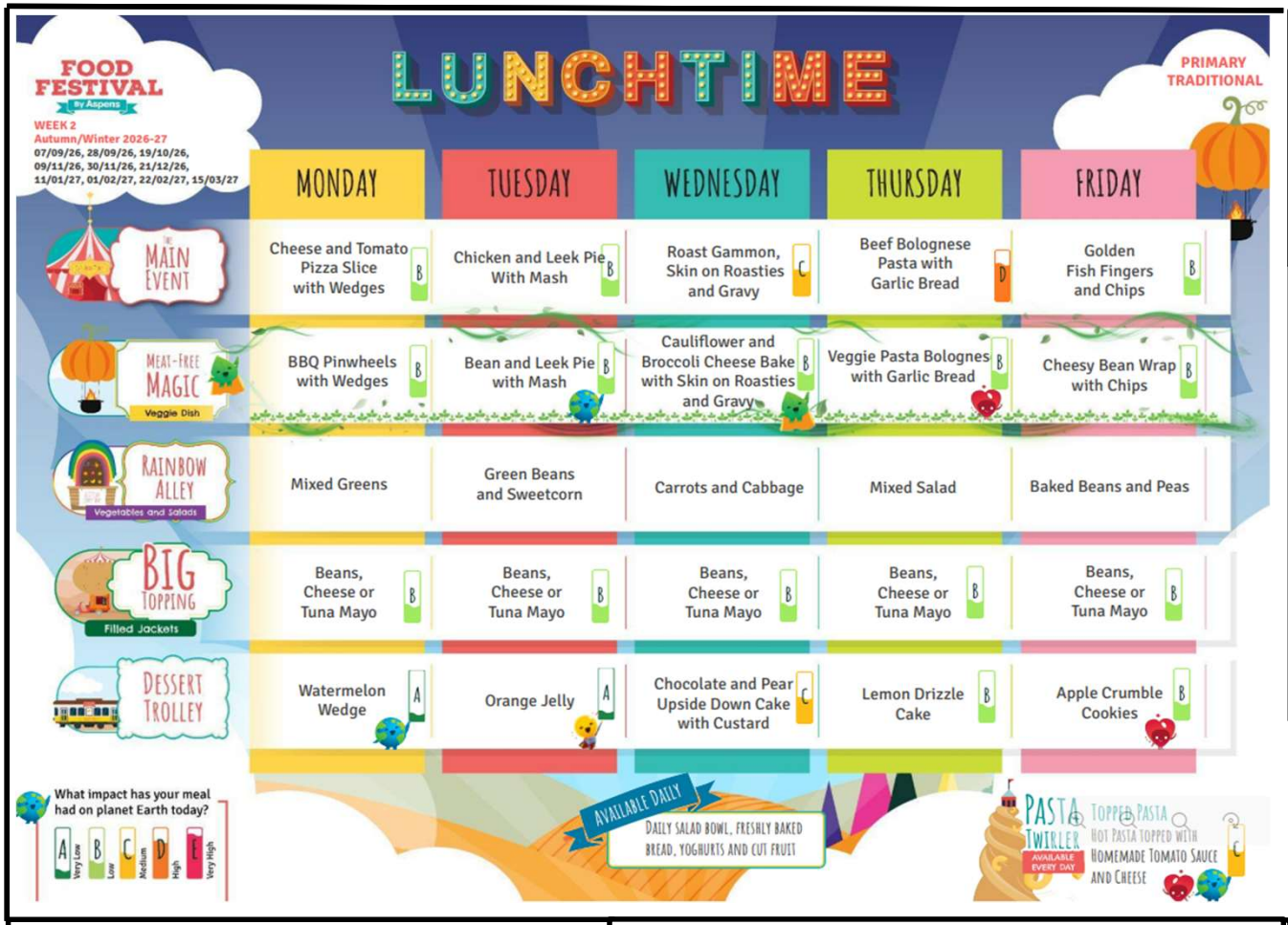
every school day counts.

Attendance in School

This week's attendance is

96.5%

Without lates and holidays, our attendance would have been 97%
Please remember that the policy for sickness and diarrhoea is to be off school for 48 hours, so we don't spread tummy bugs. Thank you



Friday 11th December

The PTFA will be hosting

The Christmas Soiree

5.00pm – 7.00pm

More info coming soon!

Save the Date!

Children in Need
Friday 13th November

Children are welcome to wear Pudsey clothes, spotty tops or yellow tops. We just ask you to avoid onesies please, as they are hard work in school – too hot, and tricky to go the toilet! We will have some merch to sell, to help raise funds for this great charity. They will be available to buy on the playground on Thursday 12th and Friday 13th November.



Penguin Parents Evening

Penguin Parents Evening will be held on Monday 30th November. There will be a signup sheet on the Penguin door for you to choose your appointment time.

Swimming for Giraffes

The second set of 5 swimming lessons start again on Tuesday 10th November



Flu Immunisations



An email has been sent out with details of how to opt in/opt out for your child to have a flu immunisation spray in school on **Friday 13th November**. Please remember to do this ASAP. If you have any problems, please speak to a member of the local health team by calling 0300 124 0366 Mon to Fri, 8.30am - 12.30pm, or email….

school.immunisation@mpft.nhs.uk