



Our Christian Value for the term: Friendship

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#### Dear Parents.

A huge thank you to the PTfA and teachers who helped organise and supervise the disco last Friday. We are, as always, very grateful for their efforts and the money they raise.

We have come to the end of another busy term. The Year 6 children completed all their SATS last week and they are now getting very excited about the school play at the end of term. We have lots to look forward to next term but in the meantime I hope you have a lovely half term holiday. The school will reopen for pupils as normal on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

Mrs J Woolley Headteacher

#### **Nature Detectives & Wild Wonder**



#### **Nature Detectives**

On Tuesday 30th April some children from Year 4 went to Westonbirt School for a Nature Detective Day. The day (split between the school and the arboretum) was fantastic! Exploring the arboretum they discovered a tree that smells of candy floss (yum!) and one that smells like rotten eggs and vomit (yuck!). Back at the school they enjoyed pond dipping - finding pond snails, a newt and a toad before returning safely them to the pond.

#### Wild Wonder

On the 8<sup>th</sup> May a group of children from Years 4 and 5 enjoyed a half day workshop with Iain Green, from Wild Wonder, photographing some of the fantastic nature in our school grounds. This was our prize for winning the schools' category of Gloucestershire's Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition 2018. Iain shared techniques for getting the best from a digital camera. Between showers they took super photographs including some with lego models - we can't wait to see those!











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#### Cherry and Lime classes visited the Post Office in Tetbury

Last week Cherry and Lime classes visited the Post Office in Tetbury as part of our current topic. Paul the Post man was very helpful, and could answer all of our questions. We all learnt a lot about what happens to a letter after it goes in the post box. Thank you Postman Paul!







#### **SWSA Schools Ski Race**

On Sunday 19  $^{\rm th}$ May, a group from St Mary's went to the SWSA Schools Ski Race.

The contestants were Ralph H, Matthew M, Lily G, Rory P-M, Oliver M, Tilly B, Rhys M, Dorothy H, Elizabeth M and Max B We were all competing in the novice categories for our age groups.

Congratulations to everyone who took part and in particular to Dorothy who claimed a second place and Elizabeth a third place for years 1 and 2, Tilly who claimed a third place for years 3 and 4 and Rory who came third for years 5 and with St Mary's fastest time down the slalom course of 26.18

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seconds. Everyone had an amazing time and we would like to thank the adults who arranged it for us.







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#### **Gloucester Cathedral year 6 Leavers Service**

On **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June**, the whole of Year 6 will be attending the Year 6 Leavers' Service at Gloucester Cathedral. This will be an excellent opportunity for your child to celebrate their time at St Mary's Primary School with children from other schools across the county.

Children will leave school at 12.15pm and return to school at approximately 3.45 – 4.00pm.



# Muddy Puddle Walk Muddy Puddle Walk

Last week the EYFS children were joined by lots of their younger friends and some grown ups for our Peppa Pig Muddy Puddle Walk. We had a great time stomping about in the mud! Please send any sponsor money back into school by Friday 7th June and we can then pay it to Save the Children. Thank you













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#### 5K 'Pretty Muddy' run



On Saturday the 18th of May, the 6 of us took part in the 5K 'Pretty Muddy' run to raise money for cancer research at Lydiard Park. We were all raring to go and enjoyed having some photographs before we got plastered in mud. The race was fun, we had obstacles to tackle and most importantly (with lots of generous donations) we have raised an incredible £1452.50. We all felt very proud of ourselves in knowing that we were making a difference, but also, as we head towards our last term in year 6, we did something really special as a team and being at St.Mary's has taught us how important it is to care about people and the world around us. Thank you to Phoebe's Mum (Katie) and Charlotte's Mum (Liz) for running alongside us and capturing lots of photos.

Eva, Sophie, Chloe S, Hannah, Charlotte and Phoebe.









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It's good to talk @

EYFS Chatter matters...

Last week we went to the Post Office. Can you tell a grown up what we saw? What happens to a letter after it is posted?



#### Club news Ecobrick Club

We have had a brilliant response to our Ecobrick club and are currently in the process of making lots of ecobricks! We have even been approached by people from the wider community about our plans which is fantastic - watch this space for more information. We are planning to run the club for the rest of the school year and restart it in October/November. We have enough plastic and bottles to keep us going until July so please don not send any more in! Thank you for your donations so far. If you wish to make your own ecobricks at home please look at this simple guide <a href="https://www.ecobricks.org/how/">https://www.ecobricks.org/how/</a>

Mrs Pike and Mrs Wheeler









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**New Rugby club KS1 and EYFS** 12 places available Monday's 3.15 – 4pm - 6 weeks starting first week back please book place on <a href="https://stmarystetbury.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/">https://stmarystetbury.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/</a> the club will go live today at 7pm.

#### Netball Club - Mrs Snell

The last netball club this school year will be Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

#### **Faith Explorers**

# Faith Explorers

This term, exploring the question: Who does God want me to be?

# **Explorer Dates**

Pick up time: 4.25pm

- Wednesday 1st May
- Wednesday 8th May
- Wednesday 22nd May
- Half term break
- Wednesday 5th June
- Wednesday 26th June
- Wednesday 10th July



#### This term

This term, our BIG QUESTION will be: who does God want us to be? We begin by exploring the way God calls people in the Old Testament, looking at the stories of Noah, Abraham, Moses and David. What did God see in them? What might God see in us? We look forward to sharing this with all our Faith Explorers. Love from Poppy, Rob, Valerie and Sarah, with Maisie & Megan

Wednesday 3rd July: FAITH EXPLORERS' COLLECTIVE WORSHIP, 2.45pm







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## Cookery Club Summer Term 2 2019

COOK SCHOOL amanda grant is running a club at St Mary's Church of England VA Primary School.

This is a great opportunity for the children to receive expert instruction and learn new skills. Cookery provides the children with confidence in preparing meals and teaches children about how good nutritional habits can lead to a healthier body. It also encourages self-discipline, team work and many of the essential life skills to succeed as an individual! All the ingredients, Cookware and Aprons for the children to wear during the sessions are included and the children get some lovely recipe cards to take home and keep!

## £35.00 - Book online NOW!

http://dashboard.clubsforschools.org/clubs/3 728

Please book ASAP - places limited to 14

# COOK SCHOOL

Venue: St Mary's Church of England VA Primary School

Day: Friday

From: Fri 07 Jun 2019

To: Fri 12 Jul 2019

Except: Fri 28 Jun 2019

Age group: Yr3 - Yr6

Time: 03:15PM - 04:15PM

Cost: £35.00 for 5 sessions!

Bookings are made online, just follow the link on this

page

Bookings are made on a 'first come, first served' basis

basis

We recommend you use our free online booking service. (There is a telephone booking fee of £4.50 per order.)

Tel: 07771900465







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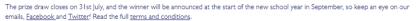
#### Your school needs you!

Whether you work in a school or have school-aged children yourself, you'll know the importance of a good school library – and not just for learning. Studies show that reading for pleasure doesn't just give children an advantage academically; it can improve their wellbeing too.

Nominate a school to win below, and if your entry is picked, not only will your chosen school be able to refresh their library for generations of children to come with our massive £5,000/€5,000 National Book Tokens prize, you'll also take home £100/€120 of National Book Tokens just for you. The more nominations your school receives, the higher their chances of winning – so don't forget to share on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter!</u>

Spread the word - download and print a poster to display in your school, shop or other public space:

National Book Tokens schools prize poster (Sterling)





#### **About National Book Tokens**

National Book Tokens have been inspiring booklovers since 1932. We work with our charity partners at World Book Day, Book Aid International and Read for Good – and through the thousands of people who give National Book Tokens as gifts and rewards to children and young adults each year – to encourage a lifelong love of reading among children everywhere.

Accepted in thousands of bookshops, online and on eBooks, National Book Tokens are the perfect way to reward and inspire.

Please go to: <a href="https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools">https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools</a> for more details

#### **Textile Recycler**

The bin is located in the carpark by the Yr3/4 playground and all your donations are gratefully received. Please keep filling it up. The items are collected every two weeks, but if you find the bin full when you use it please let us know in the School Office so that we can arrange for it to be emptied. The bin is emptied regularly, but please tell us if you find it full.









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**UPDATE from St Marys School PTFA** 

PTFA meeting – Wednesday 24th May 8pm

### Thank you for supporting the School Disco

We raised a massive £925 for the school. Thank you so much for your support.

## **Next PTFA meeting – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.**

We are meeting at The Close Hotel at 7.30pm.

PTFA 100 Club Thank you to those that entered the PTFA 100 club.

Mrs Delnevo and Mrs Rae each won £25 in the third draw on 17<sup>th</sup> May. The lucky winners have been notified and received their prize.

The next draw will take place on Friday 14th June.

## Summer Fayre – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

Save the date! The PTFA are in the midst of organising the Summer Fayre to take place straight after school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

## Easyfundraising.com

Don't forget if you are doing any Christmas shopping online, click via Easyfundraising.com. You can support St Marys school without it costing you a penny. Do your online shopping via

http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/ and the retailer pays a percentage of your total without any charge to you. Retailers include Amazon, Ebay, John Lewis, Tesco, Expedia, Waitrose, flybe and many more. Sign up today!







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#### **Classlist**

St Marys PTFA have a parent representative scheme. A parent volunteer liaises with the class teacher / TA to pass on information to all the parents in each class to ensure everyone is fully informed about activities within each class.

We have found that this is especially useful for parents that are unable to drop off and collect their children due to other commitments.

Please register for the parent rep app - www.classlist.com (available on the app store). Click 'Join Here' and search for 'St Mary's CE VA Primary School, Tetbury'

EYFS Cherry: Kate Reeves Lime: Penny Jones

Yr 1 Pear:

Yr 2 Holly: Rhiain Clapham
Yr 3 Beech: Natalie Skinner
Yr 4 Maple: Tash Grant
Yr 5/6 Ash: Tori Packer

Juniper: Clare Banbrook
Willow: Kate Reeves
Chestnut: Tash Grant
Elm: Katie McGrath

#### Community

#### **Tetbury Library**



Do you have a favourite computer game? Would you like to learn how to make your own computer games? At Code Club you can learn how to make cool games, animations and websites too! Perfect for 9 to 13 year olds, Tetbury Library Code Club will be running every Saturday between 11am and 12pm, from 4th May to 20th July. It's completely free but places are limited (and filling up fast!) so please book your place by contacting Tetbury Library on 01666 502258 or

Oak: Daisy Alban-Jones

tetburylibrary@gloucestershire.gov.uk<mailto:tetburylibrary@gloucestershire.gov.uk>

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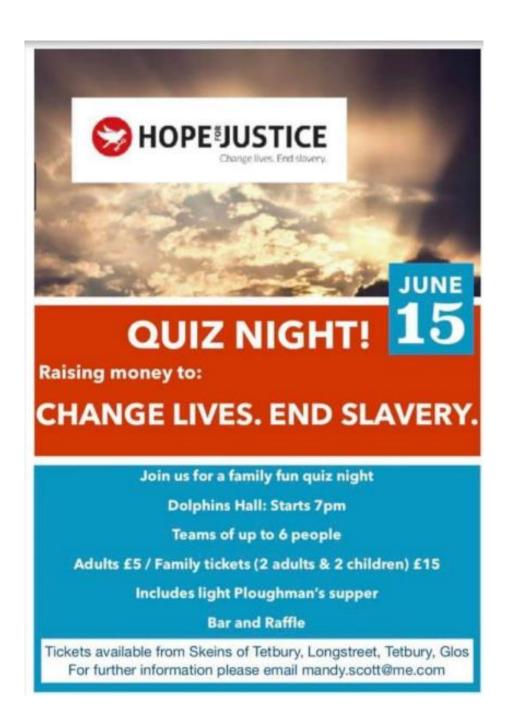






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# Tetbury RFC **Mixed Touch Rugby** Starts 23rd May for 6 weeks Thursday Nights 6:30-7:30 Age 14 upwards Email stephenknight82@gmail.com for more info









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#### HOLIDAY SPORTS CLUB, ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, May 2019

St Mary's Primary School will be hosting Multi Sports holiday club at for R-Y6 pupils during May half term on the following dates:

Thursday 30th May 2019 - 08:45am - 15:15pm

Friday 31st May 2019 - 08:45am - 15:15pm

Sessions will cover the basics of agility, balance, co-ordination, speed, and spatial awareness using a variety of sports plus arts and crafts (wet weather) throughout the day. In addition, it will cover specific skills and techniques, but most of all focusing on FUN!

#### The cost is £10.00 per child per day!

To register please fill out the detachable slip below and return with payment:

• Pay by Cash (not cheque) by inserting into an envelope with the detached slip and hand to the School Office to pass on. Please note that we are unable to confirm your child's/children's place until payment is made.

#### Deadline for returning slips is Friday 24th May 2019.

There are a limited number of places available. If you book after places have been filled, you will be placed on a reserve list and will be informed if a place becomes available.

All equipment will be provided; children are expected to wear sports clothing and trainers and provide their own packed lunch with a drink. Warm/wet weather gear as well as a towel is also advised. All long hair should be tied back.

For queries please contact:

Mr Stephen Knight on:	E-mail: <u>stephenknight82@gmail.com</u>	Tel: 07717528378.	
Cancellation policy			

If you choose to cancel your child/children's place by **Friday 24**th **May 2019**, a full refund will be offered.

Any cancellations made after this date will be non refundable, however a rollover maybe offered.

St Mary's Primary School Holiday booking form - May half term 2019

Please indicate which day/days your child/children will be attending (circle or tick as appropriate).

Thursday 30th May 2019 - 08:45am - 15:15pm

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – 08:45am – 15:15pm

Childs name:	Emergency Contact No:
Year Group:	
Email address:	
Medical conditions:	
I enclose payment of £	Signed (parent/guardian):









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# French Holiday club

Reserve now! admin@clubs4kids.com www.clubs4kids.com 07375306881





French Holiday clubs 1 day £38

Wednesday 29th May - SN16 0JY Tuesday 23rd July - GL7 5TL Wednesday 24th July - SN16 0JY

10am - 3pm (childcare available before & after)
Snacks provided. Please bring packed lunch

With stories, puppets, craft, cooking, games and role-plays the French language will be brought to life. Your child will have a fabulous time and come away feeling more confident in the spoken language.



St Mary's CE VA Primary School

St Mary's Road, Tetbury, Gloucs GL8 8BW Tel: 01666 502 275 Office 9am - 3 30pm







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# Visit **Tetbury**



# Photo Competition



Can't resist taking photos of our lovely town? A snowy Market House? Summer in full bloom? The Christmas illuminations? Or maybe it's the architectural gems or the quirky events such as Wacky Races or Woolsack Day?

We would love to see what pictures you think sum up Tetbury.

Enter our FREE competition for both children and adults with your favourite photo (or photos) and be in with a chance to win:

- Adult Prize A 3-COURSE MEAL FOR TWO AT THE ORMOND
- Under 18s A £25 CASH PRIZE

The winning entries will be celebrated in a 2020 Tetbury Calendar and with postcards showcasing our beautiful town.

All entries must be submitted in high resolution "jpeg" format, please.

Entry forms and T&Cs can be found on the 'News & Events' section of our website: www.visittetbury.gov.uk

The competition runs from the 1st of April to the 31st of May, 2019.







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