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Dear Parents,

I hope all the children enjoy the school disco this evening. Thank you to the PTfA for organising this event and teachers who are staying for a boogie tonight. I hope you all have a great time.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Young Voices event on Monday. Mrs Cartledge and Mrs May did a great job of preparing the children and huge thanks to them and Miss Jackson and Mrs Maisey for taking the children to Birmingham. It was a very long day but everyone had an amazing time. Thanks also to Mrs Glover in the office who sorts out all the bookings, t-shirts, payments and paperwork for Young Voices.

Well done to the netball teams who played matches against Gastrells and Hawkesbury this week. Thanks as always to Kate Harper and Claire Smith for their support and commitment.

Please can I remind all parents that the school tie is part of the school uniform. If children have lost their ties, a new one can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £3.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Woolley

School Diary

3 rd February	Grab a grown up with KS2	2 nd March	World Book day
3 rd February	School Disco	3 rd , 6 th & 7 th	Scholastic Book Fair
10 th February	Last day of Term	24 th March	Red Nose Day
20 th February	First day of term	7 th April	Last day of Term
20 ⁿ February (1 & half weeks)	Bikeability - Yr 5 (Bikes and Helmet needed in school)	24 th April	First day of term



Year 1- Yr 6, please check your emails for the helpful hints on downloading and logging into my maths. This can also be found on our web site via the following link:

<http://www.stmarystetbury.com/the-office/letters>

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Young Voices

On 30th January 45 children from years 4,5 and 6 went to the Genting Arena in Birmingham to join 6,493 children in one of the biggest children's choirs in the world. We sang our hearts out and had the time of our lives. There were special guests including: Natalie Williams – a great singer, the Beat Box Collective, who are INSANE! Urban Strides (everyone's favourite street dancers!) and Tabby Callaghan, the Irish rock guitarist. But of course nothing would be possible without David Larrence the Conductor and the amazing band who blew the roof off! We all enjoyed it so much and we would like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Cartledge and Mrs May for going through the trouble to make this possible and Mrs Maisy, Miss Jackson and Mrs Smith for helping us throughout the day. By Amelia, Emily and Anna.

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How to spot head lice

Head lice can be difficult to spot, even when the head is closely inspected.

They're very small whitish or grey-brown insects that range from the size of a pinhead to the size of a sesame seed.



The only way to be sure someone has head lice is to find a live louse by combing their hair with a special fine-toothed comb. This is called detection combing.

[Head lice and nits - NHS Choices](#)

www.nhs.uk

Bug Busting Day Friday 10th February

We have had a few cases of Head lice at our school. The next Bug busting day will be Friday 10th February. Please can all parent/carers check their child's hair on that evening and treat where necessary. Please see the NHS Choices web site for more information. Combes are available from the school office at the small cost of £1.

Labelling Clothes

Please ensure that all clothes are labelled so that any lost items can be returned to you as quickly as possible. One option is Stampstastic - a personalised stamps which can be used on fabric, metal, wood and

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some plastics. An alternative to name labels, they ink lasts up to 50 washes on most fabrics. The stamps are made in the UK and they do a range of others products too. For every order made, the school will get 30% cash back. Please use the code **GL88BW** at checkout. <http://www.stamptastic.co.uk/>

Calling all Parent/Carers - For those who have not yet applied, even those in reception and KS1, please, please apply for Free School Meals, its very quick and easy to do now and you will get an instant answer. Free school meal funding unlocks extra funds not only for school meals, but helps towards school trips, clubs and music lessons.

If you receive a qualifying benefit, your child's school is entitled to extra funding.

So even if you don't want your child to take a free meal, you should still apply to make sure that their school receives all the government funding to which it is entitled - helping them provide your child with the best education and support.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already receiving an Universal Infant Free School Meal arranged by their school will still have to apply to enable their school to get any extra funding.

If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, speak to your child's school.

For further information, including a list of qualifying benefits, visit our website or speak to your child's school today.

Travel Assistance and Free School Meals Team
Access to Learning
Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall,
Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2TP

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Apply online for
FREE SCHOOL MEALS



Check to see if your child is eligible using the confidential online portal available on our website www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

You can secure a tasty free meal for your child and save yourself up to £437 per year.

Plus your child's school receives extra funding for each eligible child registered.

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Sainsbury's
Active Kids
Eat well • Move well • Live well

Active Kids is back. You can now collect vouchers from Sainsbury's stores or online shop, there will be box in the school office area for you to pop your vouchers in.

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Breakfast club

Please remember to pre-book your place in breakfast club. Please call the school office. If we know when children are coming we can accommodate bookings where possible.

Mathletics - School Mathlete of the Week: Chloe S

PEAR	Theo S
PLUM	Mateo T
HOLLY	Louise S
JUNIPER	Poppy F
MR GODFREY	Cassidee M
MISS STEMPE	Archie S
MRS ROYLE	Chloe S
RC Maths Group	Megan B
RD/CW Maths Group	Charlotte T
MM Maths Group	Jack W-J

Club News

CLUBS

Due to the Wilderness meeting there will be no Gym Club on 9th Feb. Therefore Gym Club has now finished for years 3 and 4.

New Cub for year 5/6

From 2nd March a new gym club will start for the year 5/6. Please complete the club slip at the end of the newsletter and return to the school office. Open to outside club members as well as St Marys

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New KS1 Rugby club

NEW KS1 Rugby club starting Thursday 23rd Feb to Thursday 30th March run by Mr Knight
From 3.15 – 4.00pm - collect from KS1 Playground

Kit:

- Outdoor Sports Clothes
- Trainers or football/rugby boots
- water bottle

Netball update

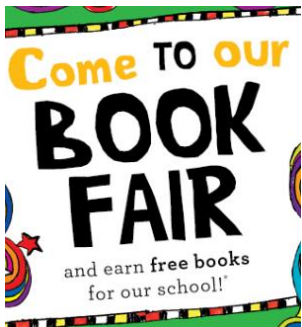
This week has seen a lot of the St. Mary's netballers in action, with two friendlies played against Gastrells on Tuesday and a league match against Hawkesbury on Wednesday.

The Lions: Mak S (captain), Grace P, Fergus P-M, Jack W-J, Lucy S and Olivia P won 8-1. Player of the Match was Mak for superb defending and interceptions.

Our younger players: Chloe S (captain), Eva W, Callum T, Jake H, Hannah S and Oscar E managed an impressive 11-0 win. Player of the Match was Hannah, for trying really hard in her first ever netball match.

The Tigers: Olivia P (captain), Freddie E, Isaac O, Lewis G, Niamh T, Anna W and Lois F lost 5-3 in a close match. The Tigers are learning all the time and these matches will help them to improve their skills and perfect their teamwork. Player of the Match was Olivia, for excellent marking and defending.

Watch this space for :-



Friday 3rd , Monday 6th and
Tuesday 7th March 2017



24 March
2017

Textile Recycler



Thank you to everyone who has been putting their clothes, shoes and textiles in the textile bin. We have already had it emptied twice since we took delivery of it at the end of November and raising over £60 for the school. The bin is located in the carpark by the Yr3/4 playground and all your donations are gratefully received. Please keep filling it up. If it is full when you use it please let us know in the School Office so that we can arrange for it to be emptied.

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Forest Green Rovers

Forest Green Rovers continue to do well and are still hoping to qualify for the playoffs. February 11th is a kids go free match and if you would like a half price adult ticket, please collect one from the school office.



"Thank Cookie its Friday"

We will be selling delicious cookies after school every Friday by the main notice board every week. Just 50p per cookie!

Neon Disco – Friday 3rd February. Disco Tickets £2.50 per child.

KS1 & EYFS: 5.30 – 6.30pm. **KS2** 6.45 – 8pm

The school disco is going Neon. Wear white or Neon colours to shine bright! We will also be selling glow items at both discos (50p/£1)

KS1 tuck shop: Jelly sweets & chocolate buttons will be on sale for 20p each.

KS2 will also have a tuck shop and the popular photo booth is back with a variety of new props. Tuck shop items priced from 10p to 50p. Photo booth is 50p a go.

Please note, the disco is organised and run by the PTFA committee. Teachers and TAs for the relevant KS are present at each disco so that there is at least 1 adult there that your child knows.

Drop off for disco is in the Yr 3/4 Playground near Beech Class. Pickup at the double doors in Yr 3/4 playground. No mobile phones allowed. The discos are for St Marys students only.

Easyfundraising.com If you are doing any shopping online or booking any holidays, click via <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/> to raise money for the school without costing you a penny! 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.



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Community News

Tetbury Library

When parents read for pleasure they inspire their children to do the same. 'Reading Ahead' is a new group at Tetbury Library to help adults rediscover reading. If you, or someone you know, hasn't read for a while and would like some support and encouragement, then you can join the friendly, monthly meet-ups or just pop in to the library and pick up the materials to get started. It starts Saturday 2nd June at 10am and runs until 17th June when (after reading six things of your choice - from a magazine to website to song lyrics) you can enter a national competition for some great prizes! It's all free, but if not already a member of the library then please bring ID to join.

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French Holiday club: Madame Fuller would like to invite any school aged child to the French holiday club. The February half term theme will be "je suis le musicien" - learning how to say what musical instruments we are learning and the French tradition of the carnival to celebrate Mardi Gras. With cooking, craft, games, singing, drama and of course des crêpes, the day is action packed and your child will be certain to love speaking French for the day. Details are on the flyer or please email admin@clubs4kids.com

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Cheltenham Town Hall So You Think You Know About Dinosaurs...!?

So You Think You Know About Dinosaurs...!? will be coming to the Cheltenham Town Hall this Saturday 4th February. The show is a fun and interactive children's show, hosted by BBC's Ben Garrod, which supports Key Stage 1 learning topics. This show is also currently part of our winter sale, which means that customers can save £10 off a pair of tickets by entering the code '**WINTER10**' when checking out on our website.

<http://www.cheltenhamtownhall.org.uk/event/so-you-think-you-know-about-dinosaurs-153554/>

See attached poster

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Multi Sports Holiday Course

HOLIDAY SPORTS COURSE, ST MARY’S PRIMARY SCHOOL, FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2017

St Mary’s C of E Primary School will be hosting Multi Sports holiday courses for R-Y6 pupils during the February Half term on the following dates:

Tuesday 14th February 2017 – 08:45am – 15:15pm

Wednesday 15th February 2017 – 08:45am – 15:15pm

Sessions will cover the basics of agility, balance, co-ordination, speed, and spatial awareness using a variety of sports. 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 (or £18.00 per child for both days)!

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 10th February 2017.

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.

For queries please contact Mr James Jarad on:
Mr Stephen Knight on:

E-mail: jaradoref@gmail.com
E-mail: stephenknight82@gmail.com

Tel: 07415293798 or
Tel: 07717528378.

Cancellation policy

If you choose to cancel your child/children’s place by **Sunday 12th February 2017**, a full refund will be offered.
Any cancellations made after this date will be non refundable, however a rollover will be offered.

St Mary’s Primary School Holiday booking form – February Half Term 2017

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

Tuesday 14th February 2017 – 08:45am – 15:15pm

Wednesday 15th February 2017 – 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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CLUB APPLICATION SLIP - One slip per club and child please

CHILD'S NAME **CLASS**

I give permission for my child to attend the club

I will collect them from school* Emergency telephone no:
They have permission to walk home from school*
(*please delete as necessary)

Signed **Date**

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