

Friday 1st March 2019

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Dear Parents,

Well done to all the children who have been doing Bikeability this week. The children have participated really well and learnt all about keeping themselves safe on the roads whilst out and about on their bikes.

We are all really looking forward to World Book Day next week. Children and staff can come to school dressed as a character from a Fairy Tale and you should have received information from Mrs Cartledge about a competition we are holding to dress a potato as a book character. It's going to be a wet and windy weekend and I'm sure you all agree that spending Sunday afternoon dressing up a potato as Where's Wally would be a brilliant way of passing the time. Personally, I can't think of anything better.

We will be participating in lots of different activities to celebrate books and reading during the day and don't forget we have the Book Fair in school too so come along and choose some books. The more books we sell the more free books we get for school.

Thank you.

Mrs J Woolley
Headteacher

School Diary

4 th March	Red noses go on sale from the school office £1.25 each	21 st March	Grab a Grown Up KS1 early years
7 th March	World book day	22 nd March	Panathlon @ Cirencester College
7 th March	Grab a Grown Up KS1 early years	26 th March	Dance Festival @SWR 1.15pm–2.45pm years 2, 5 and 6
Thur 7 th , Fri 8 th March Mon 11 th March	Scholastics Book Fair 3.15 – 4pm Scholastics Book Fair 3.15 – 4pm	27 th March	Multiskills Year 1 @ SWR 9.15am – 11.30am
12 th March	Year 3 Clearwell Caves	27 th March	Faith Explorers Collective Worship 2.45pm (parents welcome)
15 th March	Red Nose Day	28 th March	Reception and year 1 Dental Survey
18 th March	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm	1 st April	Swimming Gala
19 th March	Kingshill School Netball final	3 rd April	Multiskills reception @ SWR 9.30am – 11.00am
20 th March	Tag Rugby @Cirencester RFC Year 3/4	4 th April	Grab a Grown Up KS1 early years
20 th March	Parents Evening 4.00pm – 7.00pm	5 th April	Last day of term
20 th March	Multiskills Year 2 @ SWR 9.15am – 11.30am	23 rd April	First day of term

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New All-Weather Running Path and Play Equipment



This week we were very pleased to open our new all-weather running path and play equipment on the school field. The children are already thoroughly enjoying it and we look forward to encouraging the children to do regular exercise all year around on our school field. This project was funded through a grant via the Government's Sugar Tax and a proportion of the school's PE funding.

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Debating Competition

On the 27th of February 2019, 4 of St Mary's students (Yana, Hannah, Max and Andreea) went to Kingshill Secondary School for a debating competition. We came joint second with St Andrews and received silver medals to remember the experience! The theme we had to debate about was The World's Best Coach, and we chose David Brailsford, a highly successful Cycling coach. We would like to say a big thankyou to Mr Godfrey for taking us to the competition and overall organising it for our school.



By Yana, Hannah and Max.



Cross Country - Cirencester & District races

On Tuesday 26th February, 14 members of the Cross Country Club took part in the Cirencester & District Cross Country race at Deer Park School. They all achieved excellent personal results with five of our runners gaining top 10 places and there was a first place for Max B in the Y6 boys.

All our St Mary's runners were amazing in their races; demonstrating determination, self-belief and team spirit.

WELL DONE to: Caleb S, Theo S, Jack W, Lexie H, Abi B, Jacob H, Noah G, Ethan G, Connor A, Connor K, Jason B, Rhys K, Matthew M, Max B

But that's not all 10 of our runners are taking part in another Cirencester & District Cross Country race after school today at Farmors School Fairford – we wish them luck and look forward to hearing about their success next week.

Finally, a special mention to Max B who will be representing the Cirencester and District Year 6 boys team tomorrow at the Gloucestershire Primary Schools Cross Country Championships in Cheltenham. Good Luck Max!

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Forest School



Holly and Juniper had their first forest school session this morning for the spring term.

Over the next two weeks the children are exploring the array of wildlife in the pond as the amazing habitat springs into life.

Today the children found some smooth and crested newts as well as a dragonfly nymph!

It's fantastic for the children to experience the pond as part of their forest school sessions as not only does it enrich their learning it also creates a brilliant understanding of life cycles.

Mr Knight



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Ash Wednesday (6th March)



I hope you're prepared for Pancake Day on Tuesday 5th February! Then, on Wednesday 6th, we begin Lent - a time when we try especially hard to live as Jesus would want us to live: being loving and generous, making peace with others and taking care of creation. As we begin Lent, we remember when we have made mistakes and made wrong choices. Each year, in our KS2 service, we will follow a centuries-old tradition of "ashing" – with each one of us having the sign of the cross marked on our forehead in ash. The cross is a symbol of being sorry, and turning back to God as we begin our journey through Lent. The Ash Wednesday service will be taken by me, with our Curate Rob, and do please get in touch if you have any questions or concerns about what is involved (01666 502 333).

With love and prayers, Poppy



Remember...Chatter Matters!

It would be great if you could spend a few minutes talking to your child. Please encourage other family members to join in with the conversation.

It's good to talk ☺

EYFS Chatter matters...

What is growing in your garden or near your house? Can you see any flowers yet? Have you ever planted a seed or a bulb and watched it grow?

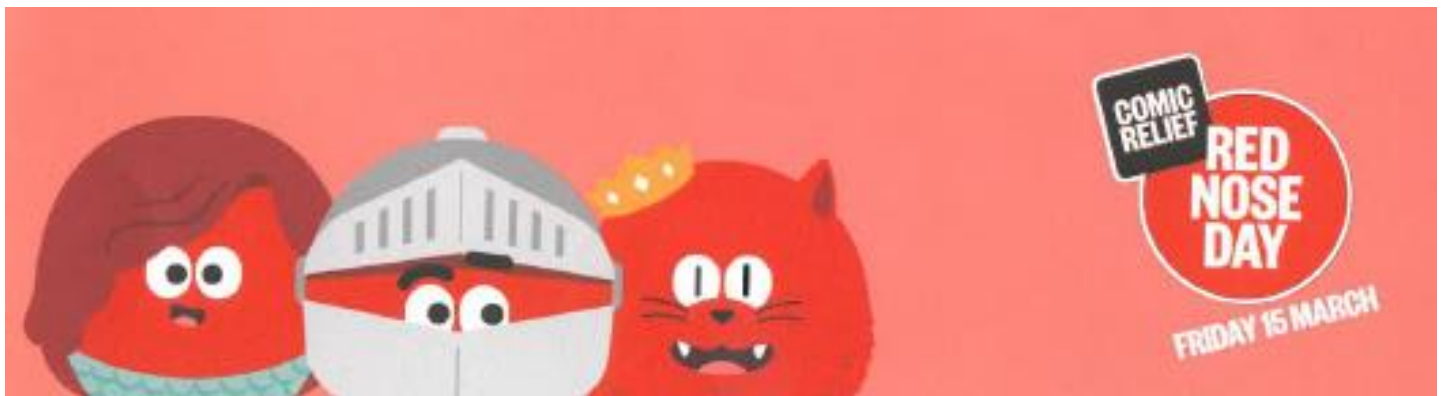


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Red nose day is fast approaching – buy your noses in school from Monday available from the school office at £1.25 each.



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. Next collection is next week.

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WORLD BOOK DAY COMPETITION

Can you transform a plain old spud like this



into an amazing book character like this?



You can paint or decorate your potato in any way you choose!

Please bring your entries into
School on World Book Day -
Thursday 7th March

Prizes will be awarded for the
best-dressed spud!

Clubs

Faith Explorers club - there is no club on Wednesday 6th March

Gardening club – donations

Mr Foster is starting his gardening club on Monday and would greatly appreciate any left over plants and soil from all your gardening over the holiday! If you could bring them directly to Mr Foster in Cherry class at drop off or pick up.

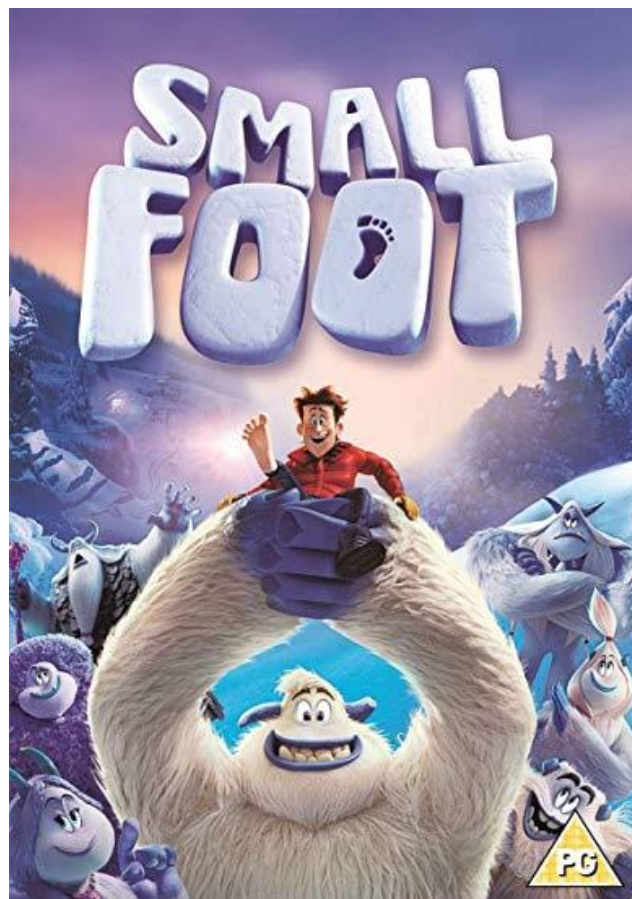
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TETBURY GOODS SHED

A R T S C E N T R E



Saturday 9th March 2019 at 10.30am
DOORS OPEN 10.00am Rated PG

St. Mary's KS2 Parents and children come along free!
Showing on behalf of the Tetbury Lions

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quick first aid Head Lice Awareness

Head Lice are small, six-legged wingless insects about the size of a pin-head when fully grown and grey/brown in colour. Head Lice cannot jump or fly, they spread by clambering from one head to another so children can be most commonly infected through head to head contact during school or play.

Lice hang on tight to the hair, usually close to the scalp where there is warmth, food and shelter from detection. They feed by biting and sucking blood from their host and a female louse will lay eggs in sacs known as 'nits', these hatch within 7-10 days and the lice will then take another 6-14 days to become fully grown and then capable of reproduction. A head louse infection is annoying and sometimes uncomfortable but it is not harmful or dangerous.

A regular check by wet combing is recommended and lice can be treated easily with the various products that are available, however these will not guarantee protection against further infection at a later date, so continued weekly detection is recommended.

Please Note:
Head lice do not differentiate between Clean/Dirty Hair or Long/Short Hair, they just like to cling onto any hair and a nice warm and cosy head.

Quick First Aid
Popple Street, Hull, HU9 1LP
Phone: 01482 488488 Fax: 01482 317963
www.quickfirstaid.co.uk sales@quickfirstaid.co.uk

Head Lice combs are available from the school office at a small charge of £1.

Buy a Heart for £1
and your £1 will feed 3 children

The Lunchbox Network was set up in 2006 to feed and care for the most vulnerable and destitute children in the Kibera slum in Nairobi, Kenya.

It just costs 33p to provide a nutritious meal.
Come and buy a heart for £1

Thank you for all your support to Lunchbox.
Asante Sana

Hearts available from the school office (reds pink yellow and purple)

The hearts are available from the School office
(correct change would be much appreciated)

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St Mary's Saplings

for babies to pre-schoolers

All welcome

Wednesdays term time 1.45pm – 3.00pm

27th February – Gardening

Plant a bulb to take home and watch it grow

6th March – Pancake Day

Come and enjoy some pancakes

13th March – St. Patricks Day

An Irish themed afternoon

20th March – Nature Walk

Welcome the first day of spring by collecting some natural items to make a collage

27th March – Mothers Day

Themed crafts and afternoon tea

3rd April – Easter is here!

Join us for an egg hunt and easter crafts

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Update from the PTFA

Be a WINNER with PTFA 100 Club – Cash prizes

The 100 club entry form was sent out in book bags at the beginning of this week.

The 100 club – a great way for you to support us whilst having a bit of a flutter! Here's how it works:

Pay a one-off fee of £10. This buys you one membership number which enters you into the monthly draw that will run from March to July 2019. The draws will take place at school during the Friday Celebration Service nearest the 15th of each month.

Two winners win a cash prize every month!

Deadline to return the entry form is Friday 8th March.

The first prize draw will be Friday March 15th



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!

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:** Rhian Clapham

Juniper: Clare Banbrook

Yr 3 **Beech:** Natalie Skinner

Willow: Kate Reeves

Yr 4 **Maple:** Tash Grant

Chestnut: Tash Grant

Yr 5/6 **Ash:** Tori Packer

Elm: Katie McGrath

Oak: Daisy Alban-Jones

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Gloucester City Mission operates all year round and relies on donations of goods.

During these cold months we are appealing for donations of;

Clothing in particular sizes 30, 32 & 34 inch –

Mens Jeans

Mens Jogging bottoms

All items must be in a clean condition.

Please bring your donations to the school office for collection by Gloucester City Mission Volunteers, where the clothing will go directly to those who need them.

Thank you in anticipation of your help.

To find out more about the work of Gloucester City Mission please visit our website www.gloscitymission.org.uk
Registered Charity 1115780

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TETBURY GL8 8RY

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EARLY BIRD TICKETS
UNDER 12s FREE / 12 - 16 yrs £5
OVER 16 yrs £15 / FAMILY TICKET £25
OFFER ENDS APRIL 21ST
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Or TETBURY HARDWARE LONDON RD