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Dear Parents,

Our Year 6 children have had a mammoth week! On Tuesday they went to Wycliffe for a day of science, technology, engineering and maths and had a brilliant day participating in all sorts of different activities. Then, on Thursday they climbed a mountain! The teachers were really proud of them and they did so well – there were a few aching limbs this morning - including the teachers - but what an achievement!

Some of our Year 4 children represented the school at a rugby festival in Cirencester on Thursday. They played really well and won the tournament – well done to them and thank you to Mr Knight and parents for taking them.

I hope all the children have a great time at the disco tonight. As always thank you to the PTfA and the teachers who volunteer to help at the discos – we are extremely grateful for your hard work and support.

Could I remind parents that you must not park in front of people's drives and garages. We have had some more complaints about residents not being able to get their cars out because of parents cars blocking their drives. Please, please park considerately and think of our neighbours. Thank you.

Mrs J Woolley
Headteacher

Reminder Year 1 upcoming trip – Berkeley Castle – Monday 21st October

17th October – Pen-y-Fan What could be more courageous than climbing a mountain in the clouds and rain? Year 6 got to the top of Pen- y-Fan – the first time some of the children had ever climbed a mountain. The steep walk really did take their breath away but when the clouds cleared and they saw the view they were amazed.



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15th October – Wycliffe (STEM Day)



Our Year 6 children showed great curiosity this week when they attended the science, technology, engineering and maths day at Wycliffe. The task of building a bridge out of chocolate provoked a genuine emotional reaction in children as they watched to see if their structures would withstand the weight put upon it.

St Mary's took part in a rugby festival celebrating the rugby World...

St Mary's took part in a rugby festival celebrating the rugby World Cup in Cirencester. Each school was allocated a country to represent, with St Mary's given Namibia and the chance to give Namibia their first ever wins at a World Cup! St Mary's played 3 group matches winning 2 and drawing one, scoring 14 tries and conceding just 3 which put them through as group winners into a play off final. In a tight fought final St Mary's drew 2-2 at the final whistle before a golden try was to be played to decide the winner. St Mary's attacked the space and within seconds had scored a fantastic team try to win the final and be unbeaten all day.

The children were fantastic throughout the festival and played the game within the spirit of the values.

Team - Alice H (captain), Abi B, Marcia S, Chloe K, Alfie D, Caleb C, Conner K, Ethan G, Noah G

Player of the tournament as chosen by the team - Alice H

Top try scorer - Connor K

Special thanks to Mrs Hodgson and Mrs Shute for taking the children, being super fans and cheering the team on.



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Morfa Bay slide show on Tuesday 22nd October at 8.45AM

Year 6 Parents/carers and children are invited to the Morfa Bay slide show on Tuesday 22nd October at **8.45AM** in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you.

Secondary School Transfer

Year 6

If you have not received your secondary school transfer letter in your child's book, please contact the school office urgently, please be aware that applications, whether made electronically or on paper, must be made no later than the closing date of **31st October 2019**. This is extremely important as any applications received after this date may not be considered until after 2nd March 2020.

Gloucestershire County Council encourages parents to apply on line, as you will receive a confirmation email. If you have not received the letter, please contact the school office.

Thank yous!!

Harvest Festival

A huge thank you for all your donations – these were gratefully received by Volunteers from the Food Bank

and

A huge thank you to the PTFA for our new descriptosaurus books!



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Pumpkin Recycling at St Marys Primary School by Andigestion.

The bin will be located by the clothes recycling bin during the half term to 11th November

Andigestion the company who recycles our kitchen waste is holding two competitions **1. a colouring competition for KS1 pupils** and **2. a Halloween-themed word search for KS2** – please find in your child's bookbag today. Please return completed entries with your child's name age and class on it.

Completed entries should be given to the school office no later than Monday 4th November (first day back after half term)

Prizes will be awarded as follows: overall, across Devon and Gloucestershire there will be three Key Stage 1 winners, and three Key Stage 2 winners, who will each receive a £15 book voucher. Each of the winners' schools will also receive a £25 book token. Winners will be announced by Friday 15th November.

GOOD LUCK with your competition entry! We did have a winner last year so its well worth entering !

ALDI'S KIT FOR SCHOOLS

Thank you to all parents who have been collecting and sending into school the Team GB stickers from Aldi. We are well over halfway to collecting the 300 stickers required to receive an exclusive school sports kit, as well as entry into the £20,000 prize draw.

Just to remind you, the scheme ends on the 3rd November. Please keep collecting as every sticker counts and send any stickers into school after half term.



Forest school reminder - **Pear class 18th October – 29th November**
Beech/Oak 18th October – 8th November

Please remember your forest school kits!

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Second Hand Clothing sale Monday afterschool

We will be having a second hand clothing sale again this Monday after school. If parents would like to have a look; there will be a donation box available. There will also be a table with unclaimed, unnamed clothes (coats, jumpers etc), please come and have a look to see if it yours.

Flu Spray Vaccination Reception to year 6

There is a problem with the online consent system for booking your child's flu vaccination. Please await further instructions on how to consent to the Flu spray vaccination which will take place in December.

Peripatetic Music lessons

Recorder/Flute/Clarinet

The children enjoyed their taster session this week. Lessons will start Tuesday 5th November, after half term with Mrs Stephen-Hudd. Please look out for the timetable.

Club News

Faith Explorers for KS2 Children



This term, we explore the big question "What do we believe?" with stories, crafts and chatting. Please contact Poppy for more details: 01666 502 333 or poppy_hughes@hotmail.co.uk

- ~~Session 1 Wednesday 18th September:~~ Introducing Faith Explorers
- ~~Session 2 Wednesday 25th September:~~ We get to know the Bible, our guide in all we believe
- ~~Session 3 Wednesday 2nd October:~~ Starting at the beginning ... God, creator of the world
- ~~Session 4 Wednesday 9th October:~~ Meeting Jesus, son of God
- ~~Session 5 Wednesday 16th October:~~ Receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit
- **Session 6 Wednesday 23rd October:** Being Church, being God's family

BREAK: No FE - half term 28 October – 3rd November, no FE Wednesday 6th November

- **Session 7 Wednesday 13th November:** Preparing Collective Worship
- **Wednesday 20th November, 2.40pm: FAITH EXPLORERS' COLLECTIVE WORSHIP**

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It's Disco week!!!!

Reception classes will be having a disco during class time. They are allowed to bring in party clothes.

Year 1, 2 & 3 Neon disco is 5-6pm. Tickets are £2. Pocket money can be spent on face paints 50p, hot dogs 50p and a sweets shop.

Year 4, 5 & 6 Neon disco is 6.15-7.15pm. Tickets are £2.50 on the door cash only Pocket money can be spent on face paints 50p, hot dogs 50p and a tuck shop.

100 Club

Last week you will have received a form to join our PTFA 100 Club. It's a great way for you to support the school whilst having a bit of a flutter!

Just £10 buys one membership number (we will allocate), which enters you into a monthly draw that will run from November 2019 to July 2020 (with a double draw in December). It's a one off membership fee. All participants must be over 16.

Each draw will take place at school nearest the 15th of the month. Two numbers will be drawn every time. The prize fund will be 50% of the membership fee taken. The remaining 50% goes to the school to help fund equipment, resources and opportunities for pupils. So even if your number does not get drawn, the school still benefits so everyone is a winner!

Christmas...

How early is too early to mention Christmas?!

Our Christmas Fayre is on Friday 29th November. If you'd like to book a stall, for £10, please contact us via email ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk

We will be hosting our Christmas wreath making event on Friday 6th December which is great fun, a lovely evening of creativity and chatter over a drink.

More details to follow on these events but it's never too soon to pop them in the diary!

Please come along to our meeting on Wednesday 23rd October, 8pm, venue TBC.

Please remember to like 'St Mary's Primary School Tetbury' Facebook page for ptfa updates and event news.

Thank you, St Mary's PTFA

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Disco

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Years 1, 2 & 3
5pm – 6pm

Years 4, 5 & 6
6.15 – 7.15pm

Neon Face Paints & Hot Dogs 50p

Tuck Shop (Various prices from 20p)

Entrance £2.50

Available to purchase via ParentPay W/C 7th Oct

Payment can also be made via the school office

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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!



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 week, 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.

Please do not leave bags of clothes outside the bin, if they get wet the recycling company will not take them. If the bin is full and the school is open, please drop the bags into the school office.



Community



Toy Story 4 (U)

TETBURY GOODS SHED

ARTS CENTRE

Half term film at Tetbury Goods Shed. If you are looking for something fun to do on your doorstep at half term, Tetbury Goods Shed will be showing *Toy Story 4* on Tuesday 29th October at 3 o'clock. £4 for children, £7 for adults and under 5s go free.

Tetbury Library

We have started a monthly story and craft session at Tetbury library (Close Gardens) and would like to invite you all to come along. This month we are reading Elmer (using a story sack and props) and will be making an Elmer craft afterwards. Elmer costumes or brightly coloured clothes are welcome if you wish. The sessions are aimed at 3 - 7 year olds, but anyone is welcome to come. Please join us on Friday 18th or Saturday 19th October at 10.30. There is no need to book, simply turn up.

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[You are invited to iSingPop CELEBRATE. .](#)

This weekend for all the family, iSingPop CELEBRATE
meets on Sunday 20th October 2019, 4.00-5.30pm
in St Mary's School Hall.

Everyone is welcome – come with children,
mums, dads, aunties and uncles, nanny, grampy, friends and neighbours!

Our theme this month is Justice

We will explore best-loved Bible stories and
ask questions, big and little; enjoy time together
with crafts, chatting, prayers –
and we'll learn iSingPOP songs together.

We finish with teatime for everybody.

All children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Thank you.



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Dear Members of an FGR Ambassador School

We are delighted to have your school involved in part of the history of Forest Green Rovers Football Club.

You may not know this, but we are celebrating our **130th Birthday** this year and we want you to come and help us celebrate in style.

We are offering any member of the school and their families and friends the opportunity to join us for hospitality on either the 19th or 26th October at an extremely discounted rate.

The offer for the 19th October: (If you already have a season ticket, please contact us, we can reduce the cost further)

£30 per adult
£10 per child

The offer for the 26th October:
(This is when we officially celebrate, and spaces are limited)
£35 per adult
£15 per child

Normally our prices are:

£58 per adult
£38 per child

Both offers include the following:

Complimentary drink upon arrival
Matchday programme and team sheet for everyone in the booking
Starter
Main Course (Buffet style)
Tea, coffee and cake at half time
Premium seating outside of the Carol Embrey Suite (Ticket included at £23 per adult)
Exclusive use of the Carol Embrey Suite before, during and after the match
Car Parking onsite

This offer is exclusive to our ambassador schools only and does not apply for any other game during the season.

If you wish to take up one of these dates, please contact the hospitality team on 0333 123 1889, where we can discuss everything with you.
We hope to see you all very soon.

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GAMES & ACTIVITIES:

- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Face Painting
- ★ Dodgeball
- ★ Talent Shows
- ★ Ultimate Frisbee
- ★ Football
- ★ Nerf Wars
- ★ Musical Bumps
- ★ Cricket
- ★ ★ ★ There's something for everyone! ★ ★ ★

🏠 St Mary's Primary School, Tetbury, GL8 8BW

📅 Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November

🕒 9.00am - 4.00pm (8.00am - 5.00pm extra)

COME AND JOIN US FOR AN AMAZING TIME OVER
THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, **FROM ONLY £22 PER DAY!**

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Enjoy an evening of music and support your local Citizens Advice

Internationally acclaimed concert pianist Clare Hammond will be giving a fundraising recital in aid of **Cotswold Citizens Advice**, in **Cirencester Parish Church** on Saturday 19 October 2019 at 7.30pm. Clare, a pianist of "amazing power and panache" (The Telegraph) has developed a "reputation for brilliantly imaginative concert programmes" (BBC Music Magazine). She will be performing an inspiring programme of music by Bach, Mendelssohn and Rachmaninov and will be supported by the **Corinium Players Guitar Ensemble**.

Cotswold Citizens Advice is a local charity which relies on funding from CDC, grants and donations from the local community. Its team of highly trained, mainly volunteer, advisers helped over 2,600 people last year - many with very complex problems.

Refreshments are included in the ticket price, kindly supplied by Soroptimist International of **Cirencester**. Please also see <https://www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk/> for details.

Tickets priced £15 or £8 if under 16yrs are available from:

- Coventry Building Society, 19 The Market Place, **Cirencester**, Cotswold District,
- Citizens Advice, 2-3 The Mews, Cricklade Street, **Cirencester**
- Friends of Cotswold District Citizens Advice, telephone 07881 511820,
- Cirencester** Town Council, Bingham House, 1 Dyer Street, **Cirencester**.

<http://thefeoffeesoftetbury.co.uk/news>

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E. asked if there were any more French clubs in the holiday! She had the best time and says she loves all the different things you do during the day!

What a heavenly time they had all over. So truly adorable were their songs and stories it made my heart sing. Thank you. Your passion and organisation never ceases to amaze me!

She absolutely loved her two days at French club, and it gave her a well earned boost to her confidence before our holiday. She was so proud of herself when she spoke and was understood. She's now telling all and sundry that she speaks French!

I just wanted to thank you for organising such a fun day for the children. I had an amazing time and couldn't wait to show me her love of delight!

French Holiday Clubs

Reserve now for October 2019
admin@clubs4kids.com
www.clubs4kids.com
0727320088

Thornbury Mon 28th October
or Malmesbury Wed 30th October

£58 / day 10am - 3pm
Morning snack provided. Bring a packed lunch.

With games, craft, cooking, songs and drama the French language will be brought to life. Your child will have a fabulous day, create memories and new friendships and come away even more confident in the spoken language.

