



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023
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'Curiosity is the wick in the candle of learning.' William Arthur Ward

Dear Parents.

We have almost reached the end of the Spring Term. The school will close for the Easter holiday on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March and will re-open for children on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

We have had another busy two weeks in school. The children really enjoyed dressing up in their pyjamas for red nose day on Friday last week. On Tuesday it was world poetry day and the children all enjoyed learning poems and performing them in assembly today. Today children in Reception to year 4 have also been to the Goods Shed today to experience classical music with bubbles!!

Next week we have a visiting author, Andy Seed, on Tuesday, Year 3 are visiting the Roman Baths in Bath and year 6 are going to KidsZania in London.

Don't forget to sign up for parents' evenings on Tuesday or Thursday if you haven't already done so.

Have a good Easter when it comes.

Mrs J Woolley Headteacher

#### **Bubble Bach**

Reception, year 1, year 2, year 3 & year 4 enjoyed an afternoon learning about different instruments and listening to music at Bubble Bach down at the Goods Shed with the music for miniatures company.











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### YR 5 Viking 'WOW' Day

On Tuesday, Y5 took part in their Viking 'WOW' Day! The children all came dressed as Anglo-Saxons or Vikings and started the day by making Viking shields. They then learnt a poem about Viking invaders as it was also World Poetry Day and found out how to write their names in Viking runes! The afternoon was filled with two fantastic performances of their Viking longboat dance - first at SWR as part of a dance festival, and then to parents/carers in our school hall - which included a terrifying Viking roar!

The Y5 team would like to say a big thank you for all the thought and effort that parents/carers put into the costumes. The children looked fantastic and everyone had a brilliant day!













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### Date for your Diary next week - Author Visit - Tuesday 28th March

Children's author **Andy Seed** will be working with the children of St Mary's Primary School

### on Tuesday 28th March.



We are delighted that author Andy Seed will visit St Mary's on **Tuesday 28**<sup>th</sup> **March**. During the day, Andy will host an assembly for the whole school before working with each year group. It promises to be a brilliant day as Andy will tell stories, compose poems, share hilarious facts about animals and give an insight into how authors work.

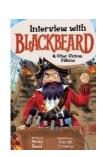
### How to buy one of Andy's books



Discover the world of sharks in this funny feast of wildlife facts. Includes interviews with an orca, blue whale, giant squid, narwhal plus more!

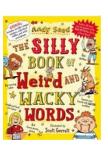
Hardback / Brilliant colour pictures by Nick

£9 (ages 6+)



Imagine being able to go back in time and talk to some of history's most shocking and infamous villains. Meet 10 very bad baddies in this new fun fact book.

Perfect for fans of Horrible Histories £7 (ages 9+)



A feast of jokes, riddles, games, wacky words, punny poems, facts, nutty names, tongue-twisters, funny nonsense, witty wordplay and much more. A great way to enjoy reading. Shortlisted for the 2016 Blue Peter Book Award £6 (ages 8+)



NEW! Written for the British Museum, this is a puzzle adventure mystery set in ancient Egypt. Crack the codes of hieroglyphs and stop the robbers!

Paperback / award winner / amazing colour pictures & pullout guide
£8 (ages 7+)







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Why encourage your child to read?

Children who read for enjoyment make better progress in English and Maths. They have higher levels of knowledge and understanding and more imagination.

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10 year olds who read for enjoyment are on average 1.3 years ahead of non-reading peers. [Sources: The Reading Agency, National Literacy Trust, The Open University]

### Why encourage your child to read?

- Reading reduces stress
- It improves mental health
- It helps children build good relationships

### Information about buying on the day & payment

Please remember to send your child in with Cash per the following information and during the day Andy Seed will sign the books ready for the children to take home:

- Children should bring payment in **cash**
- Money must be in a **labelled envelope** with the following information:
  - o child's name
  - o class
  - o name of book/books purchased
  - amount enclosed
- Please send the **exact amount**, thank you. If further books are wanted Andy Seed will be available in the Den after school for further purchases and signings if required.

### Clubs **Cross Country Club**

The Cross country club have been out every week on a Tuesday, running between 3-4 miles. We did a lovely loop which came back down across the ford which was a lovely opportunity for a photo!





Office gam - 3.30pm

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### Club information – please read for updates on clubs



Spring Term to 31st March 2023

CLUBS

Day	Club	Responsible/location	Key Stage	Time	Last session
Monday (max 20)	Lego club (book & pay www.kidswithbricks.com) This club will end for current members on 27th March	Mrs Begum	Y1-6	3:15 – 4:15pm	Last session 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 parents need to rebook for April
Hala the Hadashard	Short mat bowls This club will end for current members on 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Tetbury Bowling club - hall	Y4/5/6	3:15 – 4pm	Last session 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
Help the Hedgehogs!  Mouley 27th March 212- the are heating a sales sale for 100 minute, faither, will be no pale injoin Place (logge other pales)	Eco club This club will not continue after Easter	Miss Beckett & Mrs Pockett – Plum class	Y2/3	3:15 – 4pm	Last session 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 This club will end on 27 <sup>th</sup> March
Club finished	KS1 Multi Sports This club will not continue after Easter	Mr Knight	Y1/2	3:15-4pm	Last session 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 Club finished
Tuesday (max 20) Club finished	Yr 6 Forest Green Rovers club This club will not continue after Easter	Forest Green Rover Coach	Yr6	3.15 – 4.00pm	21st March 2023 Club finished
Club finished	Sign Language This club will not continue after Easter	Miss Leake	Yr1/2	3:15-4pm	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023 Club finished
	Minecraft (book & pay www.milittlepad.com) This club will end for current members on 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs Begum	Y2-5	3:15-4:15pm	Online last session for current members 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2023parents need to rebook direct for April
Club will Continue 18 <sup>th</sup> April – July current members	Yr 5/6 Cross Country Continue 18 <sup>th</sup> April – July current members	Mrs Delnevo & Mrs Offord	Yr5/6	3.15-4.30pm	21st March 2023 Continue 18 <sup>th</sup> April – July current members
Club will Continue 18 <sup>th</sup> April for current & new members	French club - If you would like to join the club please email admin@clubs4kids.com (paid for club)	Madame Fuller	Yr 1/2	Half hour lesson after school	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023 Continue 18 <sup>th</sup> April – July current & new members
Wednesday (max 20) Club finished	Yr 2,3 Dodgeball This club will not continue after Easter	Mr Knight	Yr 2,3	3:15- 3.50pm	22nd March 2023 Club finished
Club finished	Faith Explorers This club will not continue after Easter	Poppy Faith Explorers Team	Y2-6	3:15- 4:30pm	22 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023 Club finished
	Articlub (book and pay www.artikids.co.uk) This club will end for current members on 29th March	Mrs Begum	Y3-5	3:15- 4:15pm	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 last session for current members-parents need to rebook direct for April
Thursday (max 20)	Lego club (book & pay www.kidswithbricks.com) This club will end for current members on 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs Begum	Y1-6	3:15 – 4:15pm	Online last session for current members 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 parents need to rebook direct for April
Friday	Yr 4,5,6 Dodgeball This club will not continue	Mr Knight	Yr 4,5,6	3:15-4pm	31st March 2023 This club will end on 31st



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# Eco Club Help the Hedgehogs cake sale Help the Hedgehogs!

On Monday 27th March Eco-Club are having a cake sale to raise money for the hedgehog sanctuary. Cakes will be on sale outside Plum Class after school for 50p each.



#### **Clubs after Easter**

There will be lots of new clubs available after Easter - please keep an eye on your emails next week, further information on registering your interest for clubs, will be emailed to parents next week.

## Outside club providers – booking direct with club provider Lego Club (Mondays)

Bookings open now - Just go to <u>www.kidswithbricks.com</u> to book your child's place (please choose correct day). All club places are reserved and paid for online in advance.

#### Minecraft Club (Tuesdays)

Bookings open now - Just go to <a href="https://www.milittlepad.com">www.milittlepad.com</a> to book your child's place. All club places are reserved and paid for online in advance.

#### **Articlub Club (Wednesdays)**

Bookings open now - Just go to <a href="www.artikids.co.uk">www.artikids.co.uk</a> to book your child's place. All club places are reserved and paid for online in advance.

### Lego Club (Thursdays)

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French club (Tuesdays)

Bonjour! We are taking bookings now for French club in the summer term.

The clubs are action packed with songs, games, stories, rhymes, songs and craft. The children go on a journey with our puppet friends and learn everyday practical words and phrases. Learning a language at this age is so valuable both in terms of the psychological benefits of increased self esteem and also developing a curiosity for different cultures as well as an empathy for others. Please see the attached flyer with details and email us to reserve a space.

A bientôt!

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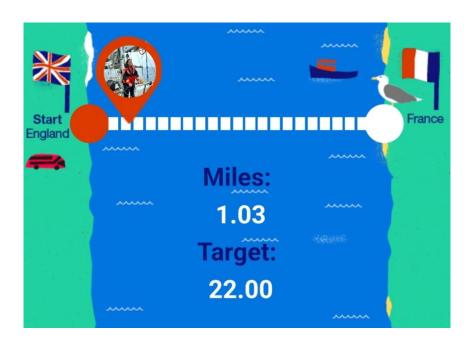
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### Miss Leake – Swim 22 Challenge

To raise money for Diabetes UK Miss Leake is taking part in Swim 22 challenge, by swimming the equivalent length of the English Channel between 22<sup>nd</sup> March and 22<sup>nd</sup> July

To donate, track her swimming and fundraising check out the link below!

https://swim22.diabetes.org.uk/fundraising/holly-lydia-leake



#### **PTFA**

Egg-citingly we have received lots of fabulous entries for our Easter competition!

To be in with a chance of winning an Egg-cellent Easter Egg prize:

\*\* Please pay £1 per child via parentpay and return the completed sheet along with your child's name and answer to their class teacher









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OR

\*\* Please pay £1 in an envelope - addressed to the PTFA to your class teacher, with the completed sheet along with your child's name and answer (if you haven't got an envelope Sellotape it to your entry).

All entries must be returned by Wednesday 29th March to take part.

Egg-citingly, one child from each year group will be drawn at random to receive a fabulous chocolate egg prize!!

Thank you Hunter French Tetbury for kindly sponsoring this event.

Good luck everyone!!!!



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Lovely Easter egg prizes!!!







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#### PTFA - Get involved!

We are always looking for more helpers and fresh ideas, please contact us on <a href="mailto:ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk">ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk</a> if you are able to help.



### **Ice Cream Fridays**

We will be selling ice creams after school every Friday in front of main reception.

- Cones, rocket lollies and Fabs are £1.
- Mini milks are 50p.
- We accept cash or card.
- We start selling at 3pm so please consider buying before you collect your child/ children.

If you are ever able to help sell ice-cream's, please contact us on <a href="mailto:ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk">ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk</a>, it only takes half an hour of your time.

#### **Mystery Brownie Fridays!!**

On the last Friday of every month, we will be selling chocolate brownies along with a new mystery flavour each month in association with Fudgin' Shell Brownies!!!!

- Outside main reception.
- We accept cash or card.
- We start selling at 3pm so please consider buying before you collect your child/children.







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### Easyfundraising.com

Easyfundraising is an easy way to support your child's school at no cost to you!

When you are doing any online shopping, click via Easyfundraising.com to support St Mary's school without it costing you a penny.

Do your online shopping via <a href="http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/">http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/</a> and the retailer pays a percentage of your total without any charge to you.

Friends and family can also use Easyfundraising as an easy way to support your children's school.

### **Textile Recycler**

The bin is located in the carpark by the Yr3/4 playground.

All funds raised by St. Mary's PTFA go directly towards benefiting each and every child that attends our school.

Please let the school office know if you find the bin full.



#### **Amazon Smile**

Amazon Smile is an easy way to support your child's school at no cost to you!

When using the Amazon app or website to make purchases, select our school as your chosen charity and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases at no cost to you!

Please be careful to select: St. Mary's Primary School Parents Teachers and Friends Association (Tetbury)

For information on how to set up AmazonSmile please visit:

https://www.aboutamazon.com/news/community/how-to-sign-up-for-amazonsmile









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### **Atlas Camps**

Rating Outstanding by Ofsted, Atlas Camps specialise in multi-activity clubs for children ages 4-14. With a focus on fun, activities on offer span everything from arts and crafts to sports and active play, all in a safe, enjoyable environment designed to cater for all.

### Highlights include:

- Ofsted rated 'outstanding'
- Childcare vouchers accepted from a variety of providers
- Early drop-off/ late pick-up options
- Sibling discount available

For further information, please watch this video <a href="https://atlascamps.co.uk/promo/generic-16x9.mp4">https://atlascamps.co.uk/promo/generic-16x9.mp4</a> or check out the attached poster. Head to the Atlas Camps website at <a href="https://www.atlascamps.co.uk">www.atlascamps.co.uk</a> to book.









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Community

### Connecting with your child - a workshop with Educational and Child Psychologist, Dr Kate Turner.

Dr Kate Turner of 'Connected Psychology' will facilitate this helpful, supportive and valuable workshop on how we can all connect with our children on a deeper level.

Have you ever wondered why your child is so keen for your attention?

Or perhaps you would like your child to listen to you more?

Or maybe you would just like some ideas of how to 'be' with your child?

Dr Kate Turner's workshop will help you to understand why connection with us is so important to children, ways that we can create quality connection and how this can help make day to day life with your child easier.

### Kate will guide us through:

- Why children need connection, and what happens when they get it
- How we can connect with our children
- Some ideas about different ways to connect with our children.

The workshop will last around 1 hour with time at the end for questions and discussion. We promise a relaxed atmosphere with time and space to reflect and connect...with a glass of wine thrown in too! This is applicable to parents with children of any age, as well as carers, teachers and those working in education or with young people

Thursday 20th April - arrive at 7pm for drinks and nibbles, ready for a 7.30pm start. £15 per adult. Bookings are essential.

LOCATION

CLOSE FARM NURSERY, TETBURY, GL8 8PH

For more information or to reserve your ticket(s) please follow the link: <a href="https://www.tickettailor.com/events/cutthemustardclub/8773">https://www.tickettailor.com/events/cutthemustardclub/8773</a>









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**St Marys Parish Church** 

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# A new course exploring Christianity using life experience

An inclusive experience, all welcome, no special knowledge or religious language needed, just what you have learned so far from life.

Wednesday evenings, 7-9pm
10 weeks in 2 blocks
March 1st — March 29th 2023
April 19th — May 17th 2023
Venue — to be confirmed on booking
Cost — there is no cost to participants
For more details go to: www.tetburychurch.co.uk
To pre book a place contact the church office
office@tetburychurch.co.uk, 01666 500088









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The Being With course is an introduction to Christianity with a difference. Rather than being a Bible study or series of arguments to try to convince you that God exists, it starts with the conviction that you already have a wealth of understanding of truth, beauty and goodness that will help you, in the company of others, to recognise God's presence in your life and your everyday experiences. At its heart is the idea that God's greatest desire is to be with us in Jesus. That's the reason the world was created; that's why you were created.

Over a period of ten weeks, you will discover dimensions of this presence and what it means to live abundantly with God and with one another with creation.





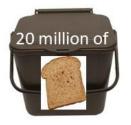


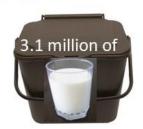
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### Love food, hate waste!

### In the UK, every day, we waste:









### Here's a plan:

- · No good food in the bin
- · Use the freezer
- · Plan your shopping...
- · ... and stick to it!
- Use Tetbury's community fridge
- Get creative with soups, curries, smoothies etc

... and more ... and more (Wrap23)

For more ideas, see:

www.greeningtetbury.org













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