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Dear Parents,

I think we can say it has been an eventful two weeks in Tetbury! Once again can I thank parents for all the messages of support and concern for everyone affected by the confirmed case of coronavirus. We were very grateful for all the offers of help and it was evident that parents were showing huge consideration to the staff who were working so calmly and ably to keep the school running. We know that the school is fortunate to have such skilled and experienced teams of staff and governors supported by a caring parent body and I think the school community should be congratulated on how positively it responded. Thank you everyone.

Coronavirus

Please see the coronavirus update sent out today by School Comms and also under letters on the school website.

Ash Class

As parents will be aware we will be saying goodbye to Mr Jones at the end of this term. I am delighted to say that Mr Tapley will be teaching Ash Class from the start of the summer term. Mr Tapley is a very experienced teacher who has had experience in a wide variety of schools both internationally and in the UK. He has been working at St. Mary's since January running OPAL play and sports events and we are very pleased to be welcoming onto the teaching staff.

Mrs J Woolley Headteacher

Thank you for Donations to the Nelson Trust





Ffion, Emily and Isla went shopping and used the money raised from the bake sale to buy toiletries for the Women's Centre in Gloucester. Thank you for all the items donated. Ffion, Emily and Isla delivered the items to the centre and had a tour of the premises.



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Lime class would like to say a huge thank you to Nuala's mummy who looked after our African Land snails recently. She took them to Cirencester College where the students created a brand new environment for Barry and Keeley (the snails!) complete with a new tank, a heat mat and a humidity sensor. Keeley is very happy in the new home and loves to glide round and round the new tank, often settling on the heated glass for a rest. Unfortunately, Barry was an old snail and had been ill for a long time, he passed away this week. We like to think he enjoyed his last few weeks with us in his new tank even though he was poorly and very sleepy.

Thank you Nuala's mummy and the Students at Cirencester College 🙂

County Cross Country championships

Congratulations to Matthew M who took part in the County Cross Country championship on Saturday 29th February, representing the Year 6 boys Cirencester team of 10 runners. Matthew endured a tough, muddy race finishing 4th in his team. Overall, the Cirencester team came 3rd out of the eight teams taking part, winning a bronze medal.

An amazing achievement Matthew - we are very proud of you.



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Panathlon

Our super squad of seven students from St. Mary's arrived nice and early to participate in the annual St. James's Place Foundation Panathlon.

We developed a range of skills and movements as we rotated through a series of fun colourful activities.

It was heartening to see the positive teamwork and happy encouragement as all students from nine different schools cheered and applauded each other.

We ran, hopped, swerved, balanced, aimed, bowled, struck and had an amazing time!





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Join us at school on 17th March from 2pm



New Sept 2020 Reception Children - dates for the diary

Muddy Puddle Charity Walk Thursday 14th May 2.15pm Home visits W/C 6th July Teddy Bears Picnic Wednesday 8th July 1.45pm



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Atlas Camps – Last minute bookings number 07598396103 if bookings need on the day- Camp Manager for Tetbury.

Childcare vouchers taken.





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Old Pens and Toothpaste recycling

In the foyer/entrance hall you will find 2 new recycling bins. These have been purchased to enable us to recycle toothpaste packaging, toothbrushes and floss containers as well as pens and correction fluid pots. Please see the pictures for accepted waste.



When they are full we will be sending them to local collection points where they will be taken for recycling by Colgate or Bic.

These bins are a fantastic way to reduce the amount of single use plastic we throw away. Please use them and talk about the recycling with your children.

I Sing Pop is on, this Sunday, 15th March

From 4-5pm

Please note in line with church guidance, we will not be serving food at tea time. Hope to see you there!





We will be holding a ptfa meeting in the coming weeks to start discussing upcoming events, such as the spring disco and summer fayre, plus a potential new family fundraiser event. We will confirm details shortly.

If you would like to find out more about the ptfa, share ideas or volunteer to help please email us on ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk or find us at school for a chat.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend.

Thank you, St. Mary's PTFA

100 Club winners

This month's winners are:Sara M (8) winning £20 and Benjamin W (42) winning £7Congratulations!Please collect cheques from school main reception.



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

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

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