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#### Dear Parents,

We are rapidly approaching the end of the school year. We all thoroughly enjoyed our sports days and it was really lovely to welcome so many parents back into school. The children showed great sportsmanship and resilience and we were very proud of them all.

Year 4 children had a fabulous few days at the Wilderness centre in the Forest of Dean this week. The staff who took them said the children were brilliant and the staff at the centre commented on how outstanding their perseverance was when meeting challenges. They were determined to succeed! Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children - they really enjoyed the trip but they were extremely tired when they returned to school on Wednesday. I think they have earnt their weekend.

We are looking forward to a busy two weeks ahead. The Year 6 children are very excited about their performance of Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies and their Leavers' BBQ. Mrs Boswell is also organising another Race for Life event on Friday next week.

Children will be spending time in their new classes with their new teachers on Tuesday 12th July. They will be told who their new teacher is that morning and they will then go into their new classrooms to participate in some fun activities.

We put a lot of time and thought into the classes for next year. Groups are decided taking into a number of factors. All children are asked who they would like to be with and we do our best to ensure they have at least one friend.

Reception	Lime	Mrs Pike	Cherry	Mrs Boswell
Year 1	Pear	Miss Leake	Plum	Miss Beckett
Year 2	Holly	Mrs Miller&Mrs Pockett	Juniper	Mr Brown
Year 3	Beech	Mrs Bish & Mrs Makin	Willow	Mr Hainsworth
Year 4	Maple	Miss Keen	Chestnut	Mrs Danton
Year 5	Ash	Mrs Wheeler & Mrs Withers	Elm	Miss Browning
Year 6	Rowan	Mr Godfrey	Oak	Mr Bartrop









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Miss Leake, Miss Keen, Mr Brown and Mr Bartrop are all joining us in September and are just starting out on their teaching careers. We are very excited to be welcoming them into the team. They all come with excellent references and between them they have many skills and attributes that they will bring to St. Mary's. We will be holding meetings early in the new term so parents can meet the teachers.

Mr Walters will not have a class responsibility next year. He will continue to do some teaching around the school but he, along with Mrs Cartledge who will be working part time, will be supporting our new staff.

Finally, can I just say a massive thank you to the PTFA who have worked so hard to get the Summer Fayre running today. I look forward to seeing you all after school!

#### The key dates for your diaries over the next few weeks are listed below:

- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July Summer Fayre 15.30 17.30.
- Wednesday 6th July Year 1 reading cafe for children and parents in the hall at 08.50
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 13.45 Year 6 play performance for parents.
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 18.00 Year 6 play for parents followed by Leavers' BBQ (parents invited).
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July Race for Life event (pupils and staff only)
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July reports emailed to parents.
- Monday 11th July Race for Life event (pupils and staff only)
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July to Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July SWR transitions 3days
- Tuesday 12th July Children spend some time in their new classes.
- Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Malmesbury transition days
- Wednesday 13th July Reception graduation.
- Thursday 14th July Friday 15th July Year 2 camp.
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July Year 5 Viking day
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Year 6 day at Bowood Park.
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Proms in the Park at SWR information to follow.
- Tuesday 19th July Leavers' Service for Year 6 pupils and parents in the school hall at 13.45.
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July End of term for pupils at 15.15.

Mrs J Woolley Headteacher









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#### Wilderness yr 4



Year 4 have just returned from The Wilderness Centre in the Forest of Dean. Everyone had a fantastic time and the instructors were really impressed by the children's map reading skills and their perseverance to master challenging activities.

We would like to say a HUGE 'Thank you' to Mrs Lee, Mrs Ravenhill, Mrs Higgs and Mrs Cole. They did a brilliant job supporting and encouraging the children throughout our visit and willingly gave up time with their own families to come with us.

Look out for more about our adventures in the next newsletter when we hand over to the children. *Mrs Royle and Mrs Danton* 









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#### EYFS/KS1 & KS2 Sports day

All the children at school have all taken part in sports day last week.

On Tuesday we had KS2 sports day and we were treated to some fantastic races throughout the morning as the school houses competed against each other accumulating points in each race in a bid to be house sports day winners. After some superb sprinting, rapid relays and pulsating obstacle races Edward Jenner house were crowned winners.

The sportsmanship throughout the morning was a delight to see as the children show courage and determination to do their best!

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Moving onto Thursday morning EYFS and KS1 took to the track to take part in their sports day. Rockets were thrown, sacks were jumped, super sonic sprinting took place alongside some excellent egg and spoon races.

It was so pleasing to see so many proud children who tried their best and never gave up. To see how passionate our children are about sports is brilliant. The self belief and team work in the races was a great example of just how wonderful the children are.

We were treated to two super pre school races to start the morning, well done to all those who took part.

Many thanks to the parents who could attend, it was great to see so many of you cheering the children on. We greatly

appreciate the donation from Tesco of the ice lollies the children enjoyed afterwards. Miss Browning and Mr Knight







#### **KS2 Area Sports**

Last Thursday some children from KS2 went to Deer Park school to take part in the Cotswold Schools Area Sports. The first round of events took place at SWR several weeks ago with children progressing to the Area event.

We were very excited to take so many children along who competed in jumping events, sprit events, middle distance events and throwing events.

All the children represented the school brilliantly and we were extremely proud to have lots of children win events at a competition that had over 500 children take part. As a school we strive to encourage respectful, determined and passionate sports stars and we could not be prouder of the whole team who took part.









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Special mention to the year 4 boys relay team who not only won their event but broke the schools game record!

Well done to all the children who took part in both rounds of events.

Miss Browning and Mr Knight

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#### Winning Design for EYFS & KS1 Courtyard Mural

Last year we ran a competition to design a mural for the wall in the newly renovated courtyard in the middle of the EYFS and KS1 classrooms. The winner was Andrei P (now in Elm class) His prize was to have his mural painted onto the wall for everyone to see and this week the painting was completed! A huge thank you to Mrs Smith who has been the artist for this amazing mural. Andrei's design perfectly sums up our 3Cs - caring, curiosity and courageous. Congratulations Andrei, your mural can now be enjoyed by everyone entering the school through the main entrance













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#### Clubs Lego club

Last week the Lego clubbers were building a monkey.

Congratulations to Archie B & Tommy S, their monkey got chosen as one of the favourites by Kids with Bricks.

Together they built a monkey hugging a tree. Here is a picture of

their build.





#### Community

#### Who we are

Tetbury Area Youth &
Community Trust was set up to
provide a safe, supportive and
fun environment for young
people in Tetbury. We offer
weekly Youth Club sessions,
short projects and 1:1 Mentoring
Support to those who need it.
Our sessions are run by trained
youth workers & volunteers.





#### Contact



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#### For further information;

For further information, please watch his video

https://atlascamps.co.uk/promo/generic-16x9.mp4.

Head to the Atlas Camps website at www.atlascamps.co.uk to book.







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#### Easyfundraising.com

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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.

#### **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.











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Without our efforts, and your continued support, we wouldn't have been able to support or provide:

- Interactive whiteboards
- Educational maths programmes
- Reading books
- Trim Trail
- PA System
- KS1 corridor decoration etc...

We also pay for many fun experiences to enhance our children's school journey:

- KS1 Play castle
- Children's sandpit
- Christmas pantomime
- Space experience
- Coaches to events etc...

If you have any questions, ideas, or are able to provide any help, please contact us on <a href="mailto:ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk">ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk</a> or chat to one of us in the playground.

Thank you, St Mary's PTFA







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# **GENEROUS GIRAFFE CAMPAIGN** £2 per giraffe





On sale next week – available from the school office – £2 each yellow, blue, purple, while stocks last!







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Here is the **link** to the next issue of <u>Families</u> <u>Gloucestershire Magazine</u> for you to share with your parents.

This issue is full of useful information and advice for parents including starting school resources, times tables resources, adventures at home and much more.





Can you spare a few hours a week to become a reading helper at our school?

Our school is working with a charity called Coram Beanstalk to recruit and train volunteer reading helpers who can spare an afternoon or two a week to come

in to school. As a reading helper you would hold reading sessions with some of our children on a one-to-one basis, giving those that need it extra support to practise reading skills outside of the classroom.

For more information or if you want to apply online, visit the website at <a href="www.corambeanstalk.org.uk">www.corambeanstalk.org.uk</a> and complete an application form.





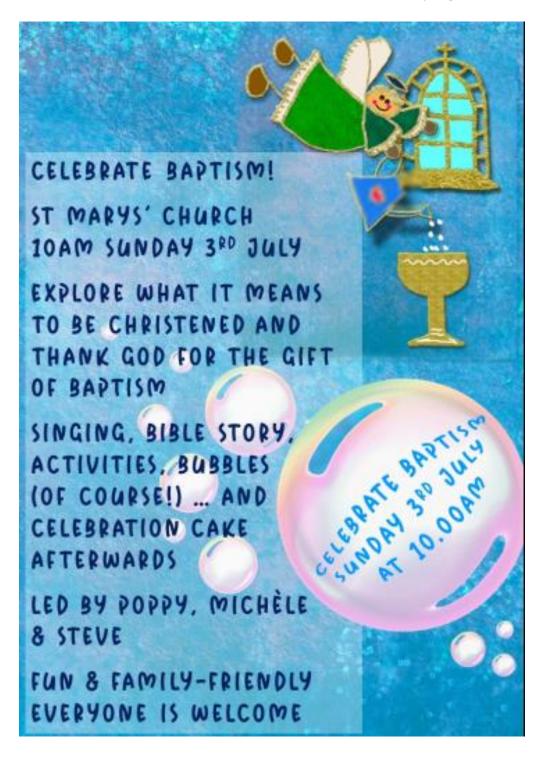






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