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Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of the term and I would like to wish all of our families a peaceful and joyous Easter holiday. I hope the sun shines for you all. School will reopen for children at the normal time on Tuesday 23rd April.

In order to prevent duplication of information sent out by the office, after Easter we will be producing a newsletter every fortnight rather than every week. The newsletter will still come out on a Friday however all key dates will be updated on the school website each week and any information that needs to be sent out specifically each week will be done by email.

Next term is the start of the Summer Term and children can wear summer uniform. Please see our school website for details of summer uniform: http://www.stmarystetbury.com/new-to-us/uniform.

Mrs J Woolley Headteacher School Diary

23rd April	First day of term	24 th May	Last day of Term	
	No Grab this week			
25 th April	Rounders year 5/6 @ Kingshill	3 rd June	First Day of Term	
30 th April	Archery/Mountain biking	4 th June	Yr 6 Leavers Service Gloucester	
	@cirencester RFC Year 5/6		Cathedral	
1 st May	All star Cricket Workshop KS1/Yr 3	11 th June	Year 6 leaver photos and class photos	
2nd May	All star Cricket Workshop KS1/Yr 3	18 th June	Year 5 Secondary school Experience @	
			SWR (all year 5 children)	
6 th May	Bank Holiday Monday	19th June	EYFS new parents (Sept 2019) meeting	
			6.00-7.00pm	
16 th May	Quad kids (Yr 4)	27 th June	KS1 Sportsday (time to be confirmed)	
	Middy Puddle Welly Walk EYFS &			
	Preschools 2.15pm – 3pm			
17 th May	PTFA School Disco	28 th June	KS2 Sports day (time to be confirmed)	
			PTFA Summer Fayre (after school)	
21 st May	District Sports @ SWR 9.30 – 12pm			

Grab a Grown up

There will be no grab a grown up first week back after Easter









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Swimming Gala

On Monday 1st April, 5 children from Years 5/6, competed in the large schools Swimming Gala, held at Cotswold Leisure Centre, Cirencester. All children got through to the finals in their event and then most went on to achieve either 1st, 2nd or 3rd in their finals. Over all we came 5th, which is the best that we have achieved.

Well done all of you, you did brilliantly.



Easter Experience

On Tuesday, Beech and Willow class had a fantastic time visiting the church for 'Experience Easter'. They were able to visit six different stations dotted around the church, learning about the Easter story in a very real way. One child in Willow said that their favourite station was "learning about the Last Supper because I enjoyed looking at the stained glass picture whilst eating bread and grapes at the same time". Thank you so much to members of St. Mary's church for their time, hard work and organisation.













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EASTER SERVICE

Yesterday morning, the children in key stage 2 went to St Marys' Church for our Holy Week and Easter service. The church was decorated beautifully with the hands that every child had made and decorated in school. The theme for the service was 'Take These Hands' and through readings, prayers and songs we thought about how the hands of Jesus are so poignant in the telling of the Easter story. The readings and prayers were beautifully read by some of the children and others led the actions for one of our new iSing Pop song 'See those Hands'.

Many thanks to Poppy for leading such a wonderful service - the perfect end to this term as we approach Easter.

The hands will remain on display in the church for one week - Why not call in and take a look?

Clubs News

St Mary's Lions Netball team went to the County Tournament this week, in Cheltenham and faced the best of the best within Gloucestershire.

It was a horrible wet day but play still continued. We played 4 other teams winning 11-2, 8-2, 9-6 and 9-4. Amazing but sometimes a bit close. The team showed great teamwork throughout the whole tournament which led them to win the teamwork award. Well done to Eva W (Captain), Chloe S, Sophie N, Hannah S, Jake H, Alex T, Jake W and Olivia K. A special thankyou to Emma Weston for support on the day and all the parents who turned up to watch also Jesse V who stood in at a previous tournament and most of all Kate Harper for all netball support over the years. Claire Smith (Club Leader)











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Garden Club Weeks 3. During this session we really wanted to finish an ongoing project. We split into two teams. Team one finally finished pulling up the weeds under the Twiglets room window (It was a massive task!). Weed control fabric has gone down and we finally started covering it with the bark chip from across the field. It is a bigger job than initially anticipated, but the children have made really good progress and have been involved in some fantastic teamwork. Team 2 worked on the existing flower beds putting in a few more plants to fill in the gaps. They also took an opportunity to seed a bare patch of ground with wild flowers. Hopefully by August there will be a small meadow to admire.

Thank you for reading. We will keep you up to date with our ongoing projects. Mr Foster

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.











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UPDATE from St Marys School PTFA

PTFA meeting – Wednesday 24th May 8pm



Several members of the core committee are standing down at the end of this academic year. To keep the PTFA running we would really appreciate you joining us at the next meeting of the PTFA committee.

The meeting is being held at The Royal Oak in the upstairs meeting room from 8pm.

PTFA 100 Club – Cash prizes

Thank you to those that entered the PTFA 100 club. 2 winners each won £25 in the first draw on 15th March.

The next draw will take place the week commencing the 22nd April as the usual date falls within the Easter Holidays.

School Disco – Friday 17th May.

Tickets available on Parentpay from 13th May.

If you have any questions about the disco, please don't hesitate to ask. The PTFA organise and attend the discos and 3 members of staff will be also present at each disco.

More details after the Easter holidays.

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!







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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: Rhiain 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

Community

Tetbury Library

Waddle in to Tetbury Library during the school Easter holidays for free family activities! There are two egg hunts on offer: younger children can look for fun decorated eggs whilst older children can discover chocolatey facts on their hunt! Plus a seasonal craft activity for the whole family to crack on with! Starting Monday 8th April, everyone welcome, just drop in during normal library open hours. (NB Tetbury Library will be closed Good Friday through to Easter Monday.)









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HOLIDAY SPORTS CLUB, ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, Easter 2019

St Mary's Primary School will be hosting Multi Sports holiday club at for R-Y6 pupils during Easter on the following dates:

Thursday 11th April 2019 – 08:45am – 15:15pm Thursday 18th April 2019 – 08:45am – 15:15pm Friday 12th April 2019 - 08:45am - 15:15pm

Sessions will cover the basics of agility, balance, co-ordination, speed, and spatial awareness using a variety of sports plus arts and crafts throughout the day. In addition, it will cover specific skills and techniques, but most of all focusing on FUN!

The cost is £10.00 per child per day! To register please fill out the detachable slip below and return with payment:

• Pay by Cash (not cheque) by inserting into an envelope with the detached slip and hand to the School Office to pass on. Please note that we are unable to confirm your child's/children's place until payment is made.

Deadline for returning slips is Friday 5th April 2019.

There are a limited number of places available. If you book after places have been filled, you will be placed on a reserve list and will be informed if a place becomes available.

All equipment will be provided; children are expected to wear sports clothing and trainers and provide their own packed lunch with a drink. All long hair should be tied back.

For queries please contact:

Mr Stephen Knight on: E-mail: stephenknight82@gmail.com Tel: 07717528378.

Cancellation policy

If you choose to cancel your child/children's place by **Friday 5**th **April 2019**, a full refund will be offered. Any cancellations made after this date will be non refundable, however a rollover will be offered.

St Mary's Primary School Holiday booking form – Easter 2019

Please indicate which day/days your child/children will be attending (circle or tick as appropriate).

Thursday 11th April 2019 – 08:45am – 15:15pm Thursday 18th April 2019 – 08:45am – 15:15pm Friday 12th April 2019 – 08:45am – 15:15pm

Childs name: Emergency Contact No:
Year Group:

Email address:

Medical conditions:

I enclose payment of £_____ Signed (parent/guardian):









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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 and afternoon tea

3rd April – Easter is here! Join us for an egg hunt and easter crafts







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Into The Green at Easter - Forest School Holiday Club.

9.00am - 3.30pm

Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th April.

Breakheart Community Project, near Dursley GL11 6ER

Children between 8-12: come and join us at our woodland site to explore and play, craft and have fun filled days over the Easter Holidays.

£27.50 per day

Please bring a packed lunch.

For more information and bookings:

www.intothegreen.co.uk

admin@intothegreen.co.uk

https://www.facebook.com/Intothegreen.co.uk/







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Dear Parent

Due to the huge success of the February half term courses, the Gloucestershire Cricket Board are putting on more courses for the Easter holidays and would love your son/ daughter to get involved!

We are providing a childcare service during the half term week where all children can come along and enjoy a day of cricket. Please see below the opportunities available-

Apr-19	Date	Time
Dean Close School Sport Hall, Shelburne Road, Cheltenham GL51 6HE	April 8th	10am- 3pm
Dean Close School Sport Hall, Shelburne Road, Cheltenham GL51 6HE	April 15th	10am- 3pm
Gloucester Academy Sport Hall, Painswick Rd, Gloucester, GL4 6RN	April 9th	10am- 3pm
Gloucester Academy Sport Hall, Painswick Rd, Gloucester, GL4 6RN	April 16th	10am- 3pm
City Academy School, Russell Town Avenue, Bristol, BS5 9JH	April 10th	10am- 3pm
City Academy, Russell Town Avenue, Bristol, BSS 9JH		10am- 3pm
Marling School, A419, Stroud, GL5 4HS	April 11th	10am- 3pm
Marling School, A419, Stroud, GL5 4HS	April 18th	10am- 3pm

The cost to sign up your son or daughter on any of these dates is £20 per child. To book them up on any of these dates, all you need to do is click on this link and sign them uphttp://booking.ecb.co.uk/d/dbq4tp

Frequently asked questions-

- Do you have to stay with your children? No, you can leave children under the supervision of GCB Coaches
- What do children need to bring? Appropriately dressed, packed lunch and drink that can be refilled
- Do they need to bring their own equipment? They can do, we will bring plenty of equipment also so it's not essential

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me. There are only 35 places on each date available so it is very much first come, first served.

Kind regards Chris

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Project and Programmes Manager

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GCB, The County Ground, Nevil Road, Bristol BS7 9EJ www.gloucestershirecricketboard.com

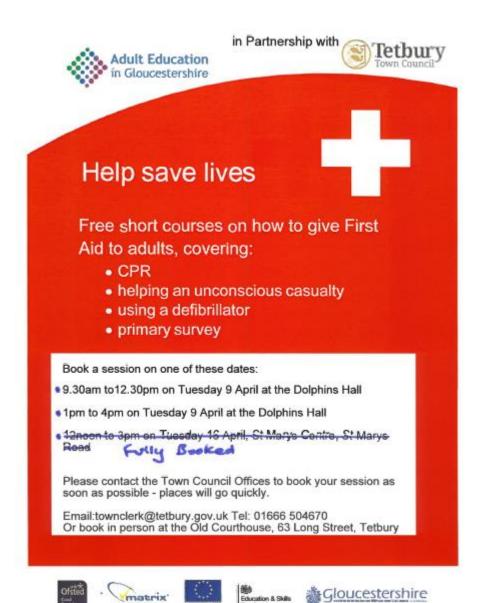








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