

Thursday 15th December 2022

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Our Christian Value for the term: Caring

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of the Autumn Term. We have had a busy two weeks with the KS1 performance of 'A Happy Clappy Nativity' and the Reception Nativity as well as all the Christmas activities going on in school.

Term will end at 3.15pm on Friday and the school will close for the Christmas period. We will re-open for children on Wednesday 4th January. Staff will be back in school on Tuesday 3rd for a staff training day. We had a fantastic Christmas School lunch today – thank you to the school kitchen, Mandy and her team and all the Midday Supervisor's for making this happen.

Dates for early next year:

11th January - Reading breakfast for EYFS parents at 9am in the school hall.

- **13th January - Young Voices.**
- **2nd February - I Sing Pop concerts in St. Mary's Church 2pm and 6pm.**

I hope you all have a very happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Mrs J Woolley
Headteacher

The Whole school singing on the field today



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The Christmas Tree Festival

The Christmas Tree Festival, in the beautiful setting of **St Saviour's church**, continues until **Monday 3rd January**. Visit the church to see a range of beautifully decorated trees representing local organisations, clubs and schools, including ours! Children thought about what Christmas means to them and used those ideas to 'decorate' baubles. Thank you to everyone who participated including Mr Walters and Mrs Cartledge who did a fantastic job of putting the tree up for us. Next time you're in town, why not pop in and take a look?



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Christmas at St Mary's..



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EYFS and KS1 Christmas Parties



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KS2 Choir

The Christmas Choir will visit the Friendship Cafe as our final performance of the term. Well done to everyone who gave up part of their lunchtimes to practice and perform so beautifully, it's been a joy to teach you our songs this term!



Festive Door Competition

During this time of the year classes partake in the annual Christmas door competition. This year, all Key Stage One classes took part and there were a wide range of designs on display. Walking through the corridor the children are greeted with a variety of festive scenes with many children's faces included in the creative designs.

Today, Mrs Woolley and Mr Walters had the difficult job of judging a winner. As always, it was a very difficult decision but the winner of the Christmas Door competition this year is Lime Class for their wonderfully creative snowman!

A special mention to Mrs Kennett for the hours of work she has dedicated into making such a brilliant and imaginative door.



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Free school Meals

If you are not receiving Free school meals and you think you may qualify - apply for Free school meals now - instant decision [Apply for free school meals - Gloucestershire County Council](#) (please have your National Insurance number to hand)

Free school meals is not the same as Universal Free School Meals children automatically receive in reception to year 2 - Free school meals attracts additional funding to the school, which can help you with school trips and school events as well as securing your child with a free school meal for the whole time they are in primary school, so even if your child is in reception to year 2 it is also worth applying for free school meals - all approved applications are eligible for a free school jumper (please contact the office to order this, when your application has been approved).



We have had a great start to the 2022-2023 school year. Fundraising efforts have included ice cream and brownie Friday's, Christmas raffle and our amazing Christmas Fayre.

All this hard work has raised us **over an incredible £4,000!!**

Thank you for all of your help and support in putting smiles on our children's faces and helping to improve their school journey and environment.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

St. Mary's PTFA

(ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk)

(Facebook: @wearestmarys)

St. Mary's Raffle

Our raffle raised a whopping **£1,531!!!!**

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The Christmas raffle was drawn on 5th December by Mrs Woolley. All winners have been contacted and are able to collect their prizes from the school office. Please can our winners collect their prizes by Friday 16th December. Thank you.

Thank you for all of your support and a special thank you to all the local businesses who generously donated prizes.

Ice Cream Fridays are back!!

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 ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk, it only takes half an hour of your time.

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)

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For information on how to set up AmazonSmile please

visit: <https://www.aboutamazon.com/news/community/how-to-sign-up-for-amazon-smile>

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

Easyfundraising.com

Easyfundraising is another 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 <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/> 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.



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Community
St Marys Parish Church



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★ WE'RE RUNNING ACTION-PACKED HOLIDAY CAMPS
THIS CHRISTMAS, FROM ONLY £26 A DAY

★ AWARD-WINNING MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMPS

★ OFSTED RATED OUTSTANDING

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CHRISTMAS CAMP

★ EARLY DROP OFF/ LATE PICK UP

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  4 - 14-YRS OLD

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What's On!

COMING TOGETHER THIS WINTER

MON	Tetbury Library 10am-1pm St Mary's Seedlings - Baby and Toddler Group 9am - 11am Front of Christ Church Activities Tea/Coffee and a snack	Free Tea/Coffee £3.50 for Adult and Children
TUE		
WED	Tetbury Library 10am - 5pm Tetbury Police Museum Tetbury Town Council Coffee Pot Christ Church - 10.30 until noon	Free Tea/Coffee Free Tour with Tea /Coffee Donation
THU	Friendship Cafe Dolphins Hall - Tetbury 10am until noon	Free Tea/Coffee
FRI	Coffee Morning The Priory Inn 10.30am Chipping Chicks Toddler Group Activities Tea/Coffee Tetbury Police Museum Tetbury Town Council - pop in for a tour and a hot drink Tetbury Library 10am - 6pm Free Hot Drinks	£2 per person £2 per person Free Free



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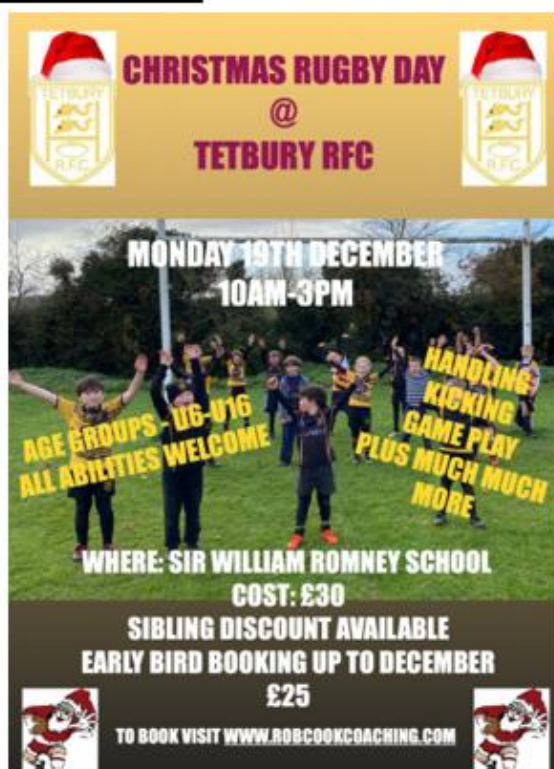
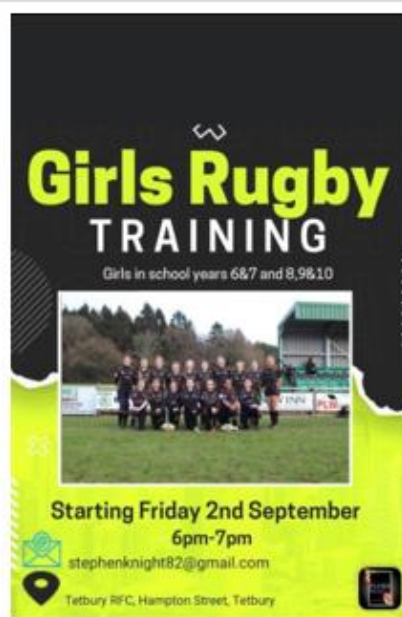
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Tetbury Rugby Club - would like to highlight the great opportunity for boys and girls to enjoy in Tetbury

[Tetbury Rugby FC - Home \(leaguerepublic.com\)](http://Tetbury Rugby FC - Home (leaguerepublic.com))



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Buying a real tree, to replace or grow on



Renting a tree, to borrow and return



Using my artificial tree and decorations, over and over again

Tip of the Month
I'm dreaming of....

Merry Christmas



Say "No" to

- Glittery cards
- New tinsel
- Shiny paper

For more ideas, see:
www.greeningtetbury.org

 **Greening Tetbury**



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JUSTHELPING
Registered charity number 1133354

Recycle your Tree!

In Aid Of



LONGFIELD
Community Hospice
Registered Charity No. 298627

Register here before Tuesday 3rd January 2023 @ 10am



www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree

Longfield Community Hospice will receive 90% of the net monies raised JustHelping will distribute the remaining 10% to other local charities

We will be collecting in the following postcodes on
8th, 9th and 10th January 2023
GL2 (2,3,4,7), GL3 (4,9), GL4 (0,3,4,5,8), GL5, GL6, GL7 (1,2),
GL8 (8), GL10, GL11, GL12, GL13




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 **01666 502336**
8.30am-5pm
Monday to Friday
(closed on public holidays)



To keep our patients and visitors safe we are wearing masks again.
If you are visiting the hospital for an appointment or treatment please wear a mask.
If you don't have one we can provide one at the entrance.



We are here for you and your families
We can now treat illnesses as well as minor injuries in our
Minor Injuries and Illness Unit

Minor Injuries and Illness Unit (MIIU)

8.30am - 4pm Monday to Friday
(closed on public holidays)

Minor cuts and lacerations, including infected wounds
Dog and cat bites
Bruises
Strains and sprains
Simple fractures and dislocations
Minor burns and scalds
Head injuries (if the person has not been unconscious or intoxicated)
Minor eye injuries
Splinters and other foreign bodies in the skin, eye, ear or nose
Insect bites and stings
Minor illnesses including earache and sore throat

Unsure if we can help— Call us on **01666 502336** (during opening hours) or **111** (24-hour service)

Other Services at Tetbury Hospital

- X-ray Department
- Outpatient Clinics
- Procedure Room (outpatient procedures)
- Day Surgery Unit

Read about our treatments and consultants at www.tetburyhospital.co.uk

NHS patients - Ask your GP for a referral to Tetbury Hospital

Private patients - Contact us on 01666 501773

Find us: GL8 8XB



Free parking available

Reg Charity No 3008526



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ATTENTION PARENTS

BACK TO SCHOOL CLASSES STARTING NOW
St Mary's Primary School

IF YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO:

- ✓ Have **CONFIDENCE** to overcome the anxiety of a new school year / setting
- ✓ Build **COMMUNICATION SKILLS** to make new friends
- ✓ **FOCUS** to be able to listen and learn from their teacher and achieve better grades

OUR MARTIAL ARTS CLASSES CAN HELP!

WHAT DO PARENTS SAY?

96.3% of parents said they saw an improvement in **FOCUS**
97.7% of parents said they saw an improvement in **CONFIDENCE**
92.3% of parents said they saw an improvement in **SELF-DISCIPLINE**
99.2% of parents said they saw an improvement in **RESPECT**

MIGHTY MATT'S 3-6 YEARS



Our award winning Mighty Matt programme is designed specifically to aid children's development between the ages of 3 - 6 years old. Our instructors are highly trained on how to bring the best out of your child and help to lay the foundations for them to lead a successful life.

JUNIOR & FAMILY 7 YEARS +



Our Junior & Family classes are for everybody aged 7 years and above. Suitable for children or adults training for themselves and for any adults who wish to train with their child. We've noticed that it can be increasingly difficult to find positive enrichment activities where you can progress & share the experience with your child and our family class provides this.

Claim your place by visiting
www.mattfiddes.com
DON'T WAIT, OUR CLASSES ARE FILLING UP FAST!