

Friday 25th June 2021

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Dear Parents,

You should have received a letter informing parents about the consultation we are currently undertaking about the possibility of St. Mary's joining the Corinium Education Trust. I hope you have had a chance to read it. There will be a parents' consultation meeting on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June for any parents who would like to join a discussion about this. The link to the meeting is in the email sent out earlier in the week.

As we head towards the last few weeks of term we continue to follow the system of controls to ensure we reduce the chances of anyone in our school becoming infected with Covid. This includes keeping the number of visitors to school to a minimum. Sadly this means we are unable to open up end of term events to parents. You will receive a letter from the Director of Public Health and the Director of Children's Services in Gloucestershire along with this newsletter asking for your support to keep Covid out of schools.

We are extremely grateful to the PTFA for all their continued fundraising efforts. Even throughout the lockdown they have managed to raise much needed funds for our school and we were delighted to receive a beautiful castle from 'All Out Play', a local company from Nailsworth, paid for by our wonderful PTFA. The children in Reception and KS1 are having a fabulous time playing on it.

The PTFA are holding a non-uniform day on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July to raise money for the school. Children will be doing their transition day when they meet their new class teachers on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Staff changes in September.**

As you will all know, Mrs Silins will be retiring at the end of this academic year. She will be greatly missed by everyone, but we wish her every happiness in her retirement. Mrs Calabria will be taking over the role of Pastoral Lead at the school. Mrs Calabria is currently in a teaching role in a school in Bath however she has been looking for an opportunity to take on a pastoral role in a school and she is very excited to be taking up her post with us in September.

Miss Morris (Juniper class) will also be leaving us at the end of this term. Miss Morris is keen on travelling and she has managed to secure a fantastic opportunity working in a school in Dubai. She will be moving out there in the summer and we wish her every success.

Miss Fitzgibbon (Beech Class) and Mr Tapley (Ash Class) will also be leaving at the end of this year to pursue other career opportunities. I am sure everyone will want to join me in wishing them the best for the future.

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We have some new staff joining us: Mrs Withers, who is currently teaching in London will be joining the Year 5 team along with Miss Browning who currently teaches at St. Joseph's school in Nympsfield. Mrs Makin, who is from Rodmarton School will be joining the Year 3 team. We look forward to welcoming them to St. Mary's. They will be coming into school on the transition day to meet the children.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Yours **sincerely**

Mrs Woolley  
Headteacher

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## Year 2

Year 2 children have been making sliders in DT this term. Here are some of the finished sliders from Holly class.



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## Year 3



Over the last few weeks, Year 3 have been creating a bee-friendly flower bed. We dug out the turf, mixed compost into the soil and planted some lavender, catmint and salvia plants. We also wrote to local garden centres asking them for plant donations and have been lucky enough to receive some, but if you have any plants (not seeds!) you would like to donate they would be most welcome!



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## New Reception – September 2021

### School Milk

If you would like your child to have milk when they start in September, please register child through coolmilk - <https://www.coolmilk.com/parents>

### 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform

We do have a selection of 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform, please let the school office know if you would like to come and have a look through before buying new uniform, we can then arrange a suitable time to come and have a look at what there is available - we have a card machine for you to make a donation.

## Mr Hainsworth's Skydive



Mr Hainsworth has always wondered what it would feel like to fly... so he is going to find out! Mr Hainsworth will be jumping out of a plane (maybe we should call him Mr Planesworth instead) from 15,000ft. That is the same height as 15 Eiffel Towers stacked on top of each other!

The reason he is doing this, is to raise money for the Cotswold Dogs and Cats Home, who do amazing work. They look after neglected and abandoned animals and try and find them a new home.

If you would like to donate money to help, that would be fantastic! You can scan the QR code with your phone's camera or type in this link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/MrHainsworth>

Mr Planesworth will also have his fundraising bucket at the end of each day by his classroom.

Thank you for your support!



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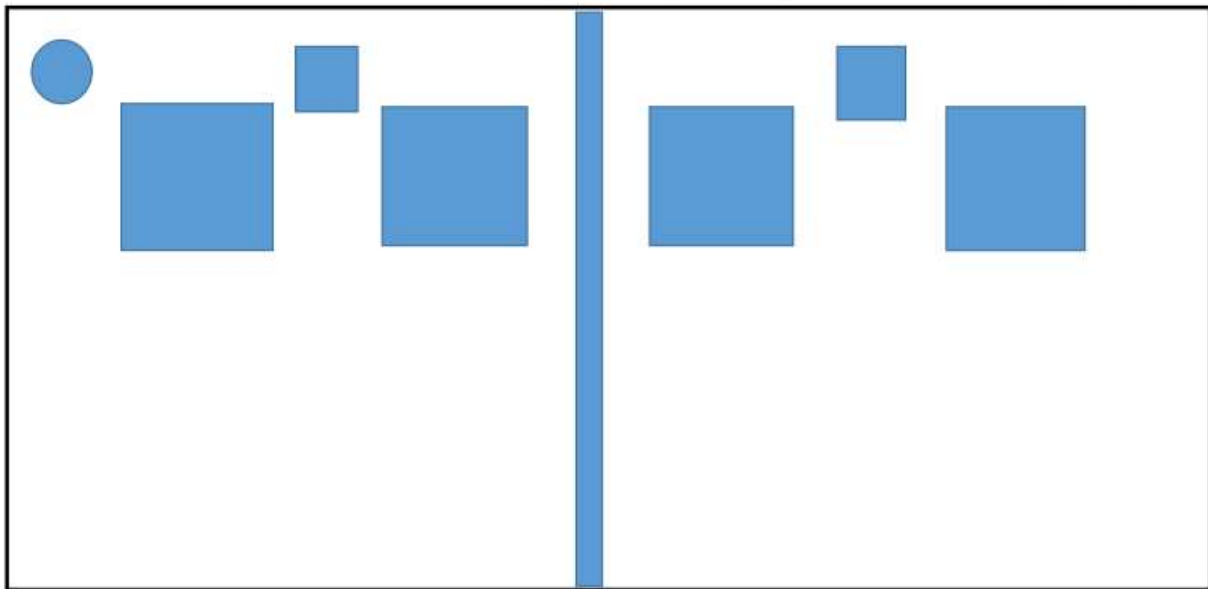
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## Mural Competition Entry Form

£2

Please design your mural on the 'wall' below. Your design should be in colour and incorporate the theme of 'The 3 Cs' (Caring, Curious, Courageous). The shapes on the 'wall' below are windows and features that cannot be moved so your design must go around them! The winning design will be painted on the wall in the courtyard for all to see! Mrs Woolley and Mrs Silins will be judging the entries and the winner will be announced before the end of term. Return all entries to school with your £2 entry fee. Closing date for entries is Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July. Good luck!



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Your child should have brought home the above entry form - please return to their class teacher with their £2 entry fee. Please remember to put your child's name and class on the form.

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**st mary's ptfa SUMMER RAFFLE**

★ DYSON V11 ANIMAL VACUUM ★  
£250 JOHN LEWIS VOUCHER from HUNTER FRENCH  
SUPERCAR DRIVING EXPERIENCE AT CASTLE COOMBE  
COTSWOLD WILDLIFE PARK TICKETS  
DR JESSICA PRIOR VOUCHER  
OVERIDER VOUCHER  
WILD LIKE HER T-SHIRT  
BEAUTY BY ADELLE VOUCHER  
FUDGIN' SHELL BROWNIES  
TRIMM BARBERS VOUCHER  
COTSWOLD ROPE BASKET  
THE FLOWER HUT FLORAL DISPLAY  
THE BEAUTY SPOT VOUCHER  
CHARLI'S CAKE KITCHEN CUPCAKES  
BY LUCY DRINKS CRATE  
LADY B ILLUSTRATION PRINT AND CARDS  
AURORAS TUB TIME TREATS HAMPER  
TETBURY HARDWARE VOUCHER

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By Lucy  
Telbury Hardware

**TICKETS £1  
DRAWING ON  
5TH JULY!**

PLEASE RETURN TICKETS BY 2ND JULY.  
PLEASE ENSURE ALL MONIES AND COMPLETED  
TICKETS ARE RETURNED TO CLASS IN AN  
ENVELOPE OR SMALL FOOD BAG.

## Summer Raffle

Don't forget to follow @wearestmarys on Facebook to see the generous prizes many local businesses have donated.

- If you would like more raffle tickets, please ask at the school office
- Please return all unused raffle tickets to the school office as soon as possible
- Ask family, friends and neighbours if they'd like some tickets to be in with a chance of winning!

Please return all completed raffle ticket stubs and money to your class teacher by **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**. Everything will need to be returned in an envelope to be Covid secure, thank you for your understanding.

If you would like to donate a prize to our raffle, please contact us: [ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk)

Raffle tickets will be drawn on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Good luck!!!

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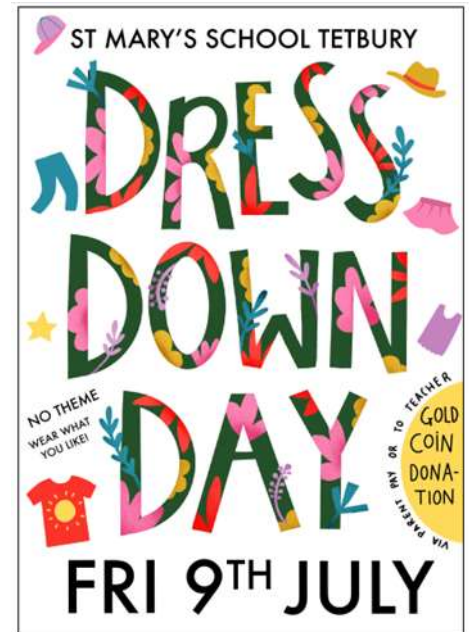


## Dress Down Day!

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July you are invited to dress down for the day!

In exchange for a gold coin, payable in cash to your class teacher or by ParentPay, you may choose what to wear to school.

- There is no theme.
- Clothes must be practical for a day at school.



## Ice Cream Fridays!!

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

- Cones, rocket lollies and Fabs are £1. Mini milks are 50p.
- We accept cash or card.
- We start selling at 2.50pm so please consider buying before you collect your child/ children.
- Please adhere to the school one-way system and social distancing while queuing.
- We have hand sanitiser.

If you are able to help sell ice-creams please contact us on [ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@st-marys-tetbury.gloucs.sch.uk) it only takes half an hour of your time.



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## Amazon Smile

We have recently been accepted by Amazon Smile. If you select your children's school as your chosen charity **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>

## Easyfundraising.com

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 <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarystetbury/> 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 and all your donations are gratefully received. Please keep filling it up. The items are collected every couple of weeks or so 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. This is a good fundraiser for the school which raises approx. £550 per year.





# news

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## Community News



### Join Gloucester Rugby at our Summer Holiday Camps

#### Tewkesbury RFC

26 & 27 July | Boys & Girls (U7s - U11s & U12s-U16s)  
28 July | Girls Camp (U12s - U18s)

#### Sir William Romney's School (Tetbury)

29 & 30 July | Boys & Girls (U7s - U11s & U12s-U16s)

#### Faringdon RFC

2 & 3 August | Boys & Girls (U7s - U11s & U12s-U16s)

One Day Camp just £30 | Two Day Camp just £60

**BRING IT ON!**  
**BOOK NOW**


[gloucesterrugby.co.uk/rugbycamps](http://gloucesterrugby.co.uk/rugbycamps)

All enquires email [cdp@gloucesterrugby.co.uk](mailto:cdp@gloucesterrugby.co.uk)

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**Tip of the Month**  
**Bee happy!!**


Bees and other pollinators provide one third of our food (and all of our honey!)

**How can you help??**

- Plant a range of traditional, cottage-type flowers
- Avoid using pesticides
- Give them a drink and a stone to stand on

**Bees especially love:**

- Pussy willow and apple blossom (spring)
- Lavender and hawthorn (summer)
- Honeysuckle (autumn)
- Ivy (winter)

 **Greening Tetbury**

[www.greeningtetbury.org](http://www.greeningtetbury.org)



## CITIZENS ADVICE TRUSTEE – STROUD AND COTSWOLD DISTRICTS

Do you want to help the community where you live, work or study and gain valuable skills?  
Do you want to make sure your family and neighbours get the advice they need now and in the future?



We are seeking new Trustees to join our Board and are specifically looking for people with a marketing, communications and IT.

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### Time commitment –

6 x Board meetings a year and approximately one other meeting a month with associated paperwork.

Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021

For more information please contact Diane Elsdon, Business Manager by email at [diane.elsdon@ca-scd.org.uk](mailto:diane.elsdon@ca-scd.org.uk).

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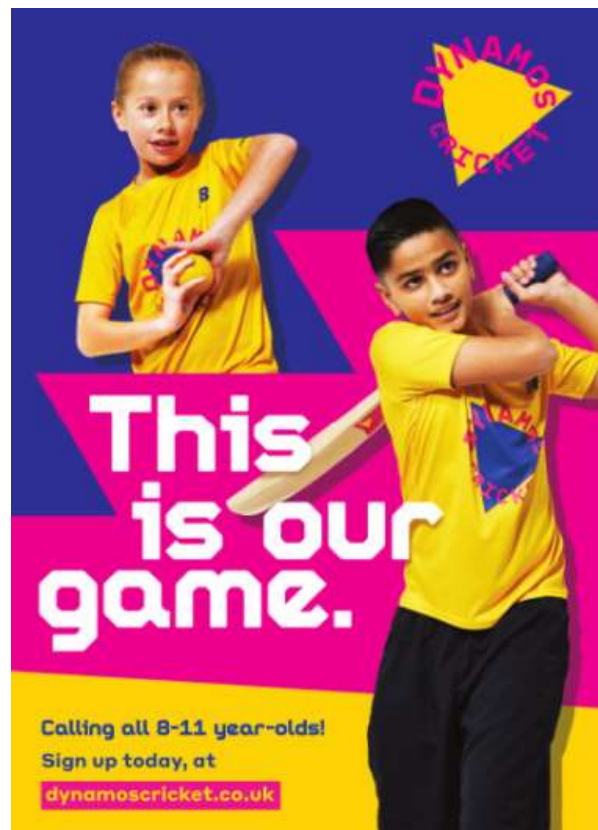
**ALL STARS**  
CRICKET

For all 5 – 8 year-old boys and girls

Give your little star a summer of big moments, making new friends, learning new skills and creating new memories.

Every participant receives their very own personalised kit bag including bat, ball, cap and t-shirt!

**Sign up today at**  
[allstarscricket.co.uk](http://allstarscricket.co.uk) or at the centre



**DYNAMICS**  
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**This is our game.**

Calling all 8-11 year-olds!  
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ALL CHILDREN FROM 4-12YRS WELCOME

# FRENCH CLUBS

to inspire your child's love of languages  
and to build their confidence through  
games, songs, cooking and fun  
activities to bring the language to life.

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