

ST MARY THE VIRGIN CEP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

'Learning with love, strength and faith following the example of Jesus'



Dear Parent/Carers,

As we draw ever closer to the end of this year, preparations have begun for saying goodbye to our lovely Year 6s. Miss Banks, Miss Hare and Rev. Julie joined the Year 6s at Worth Abbey this week for a Diocesan Leavers' service where St Mary's was wonderfully represented by the Year 6s who formed part of the choir! It was a really lovely, reflective service which encouraged the children to look forward to the next steps in their lives and use what they have learnt at primary to build themselves and each other up. Another tradition that Lilac have been busy with was the Summer Production which this year was 'Alice - The Musical!' The children took to the stage last Friday evening in a play like no other! The enjoyment and excitement on their faces said it all and they truly wowed the audience with their talents - well done, Team Lilac!

This week, we also had a whole school transition morning where each year group spent the morning with their new class and teacher from September. It was lovely to see how quickly the children settled into their new classes and it really highlighted what kind, helpful and supportive children we have here.

The week ended with our previously postponed Sports day and Summer Social! We were all very glad to see the sun make an appearance after the threat of rain during the week. A huge thank you to the wonderful Mr D for all his organising and our fabulous PTFA for organising such a super social. A special edition newsletter with photos and winners will be sent out next week, as the final newsletter of the year.

We hope to see as many of you as possible on Tuesday for our 'Bring an adult to Forest School' morning and then again on Friday at the Leavers' service.

Thank you for your continued support,

James Proctor
Executive Headteacher

Vicky Lewis
Head of School

Becca Hare
Assistant Headteacher

Abbie Banks
Senior Teacher

Wellbeing Poster



We will be sharing a new wellbeing poster with you within our fortnightly newsletter. Some will be aimed specifically at adults and others will be aimed at children. This week's poster on page 8 gives 10 ways that families can help support each other's mental health.



Bring an adult to school—Tues 16th July

Just a reminder about Tuesday 16th July: children will come to school as usual in the morning (in their forest school kit) and bring their adults with them. They do not need to bring their uniform to change into.

We will then all walk to Forest School together, have a play and do an activity there, have a snack and then walk back to school in time for lunch.

All children will need pack lunch unless we have had a slip back asking for a school packed lunch.

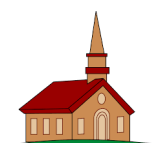
We look forward to see as many of you as possible and sharing a (hopefully!) sunny morning in the woods

Prayer Meeting:

From September, we hope to run a termly parent-led prayer meeting. Please let the school office know if this would interest you and what days/time would suit.



Church Service



Everyone is welcome to St Mary's Church on Sunday 14th July 9:30am for a Praise service.

Our new signs

We are sure many of you have noticed our amazing new sign!

A huge thankyou to Mr Martin-Lawrence for designing these for us. They look amazing!



Classroom Changes

We are having a bit of a swap around with the classrooms for next year .

The current Willow class will become Larch; Cherry class will move into Larch to make the most of the easy access to the outside area and the current Cherry class will become the new Willow. We will be moving the furniture on Ground Force day (next Saturday) so any extra pairs of hands would be great! This will mean that for the final transition afternoon, the children will be able to be in the classrooms they'll be in from September and teachers can start to get used to their new space.

This Week at St Mary's



Well done to Lilac Class for their amazing performance of 'Alice the Musical!' You looked amazing in your costumes and sung beautifully.



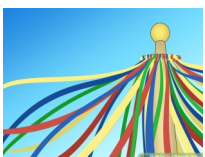
Willow class did a science experiment using eggs to test the effect of sugar on our teeth! It got a bit gruesome but that made it all the more fun!



Cherry class had Dr James in to talk to them about Healthy Eating and Exercise. They asked some brilliant questions about their bodies and how they worked.



Year 6 went to Worth Abbey to their Leavers service. They sang as part of the choir and did the school proud!



Maple Class and Lilac Class had a lovely time on the croft in the sunshine with next Year's Reception children. They played some parachute games and had a go Maypole dancing with their new 'Buddies'. The PTFA supplied ice lollies which the children all thoroughly enjoyed! It was a fantastic way to welcome the new cohort and their families.





Wildlife Explorers & Eco Club - Mr and Mrs Rowberry

For the last club meeting of the year, Wildlife Explorers carefully picked lavender and mint from the school garden. They then made scent bags which can be put amongst clothes to keep them perfumed.



The club said farewell to our honorary young leaders: Seren, Ellie and Scarlett who move on to new eco-adventures. A big thank you for all their support through their SMV years.

Also congratulations go to Roma and Francesca who gained their youth awards and to all the winners of the buttercup competition and those gaining Wild Challenge awards.

Positivity Board

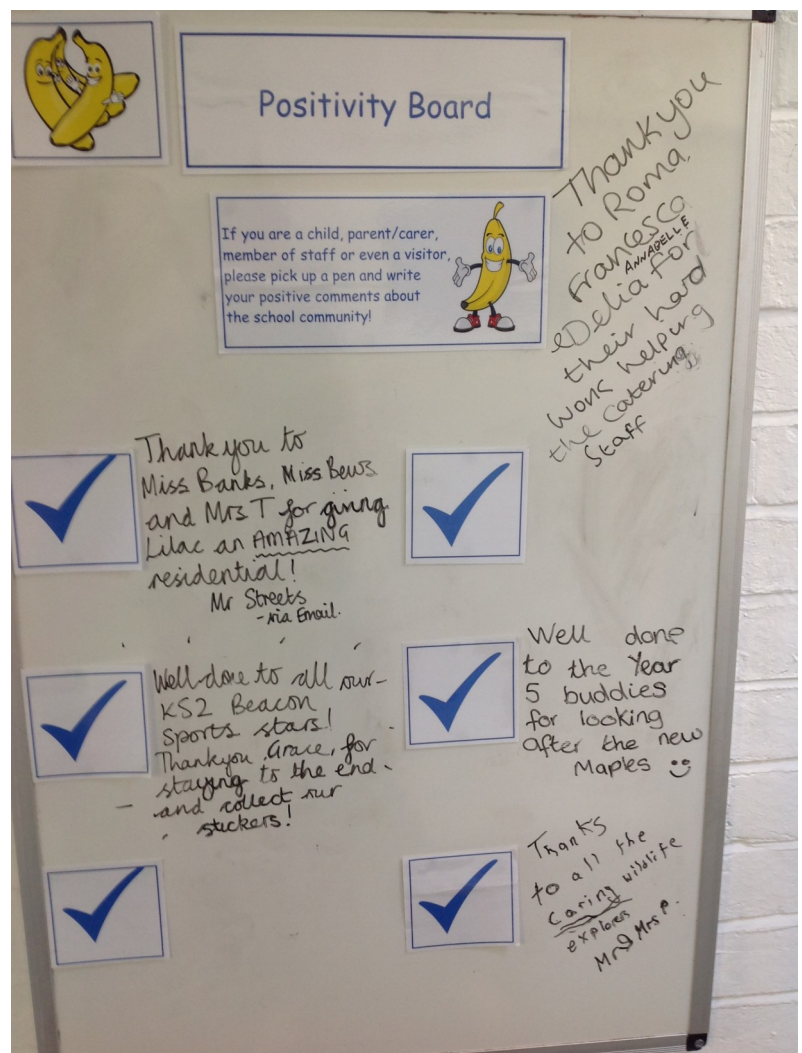
Positivity Board

This board enables parents/ carers, staff, children and visitors to write positive comments, or thoughts, about their time in school or during events that they would like to share with others.

Please pop in any time to write down something that you would like to share.

In the newsletter every fortnight, there will be a picture to share and celebrate the positivity within our school and community.

As always, thank you for your support!





Head Teachers' Awards

Ryah-Rose for her fabulous progress in writing and using great vocabulary, spelling and handwriting.

Darcy for amazing maths work and her fantastic progress over the course of the year.

Ziggy for his great progress in writing

Braxton for producing an amazing piece for writing.

Polly for her progress in counting and her ability to work independently.

Bethan for great improvement in handwriting and spelling in her science work.

Callum for progress in concentration and presentation of topic work.

Lucas C for fantastic use of scientific language and improved handwriting.

Verity for a brilliantly written conclusion for a science investigation. Great progress.

Emelia for a fantastic, accurate and well written conclusion about a science Investigation.

Noah for amazing rounding of numbers, up to 5 digit numbers!

Lucas M for great rounding of numbers, up to 5 digit numbers!



Sports Awards – Mr Dolton

w/e 5th July

Well done to the following children, who have received certificates today explaining why they won their award.

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| Maple | Dexter |
| Cherry | Luca |
| Willow | Hugo |
| Lilac | Szabi |

Learning Powers of the Week & Attendance

LEARNERS W/E 5TH JULY

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| MAPLE: | MAX |
| CHERRY: | ELLA |
| WILLOW: | EDWARD |
| LILAC: | - |

ATTENDANCE W/E: 5TH JULY 12TH JULY

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| MAPLE: | 97.5% | 100% |
| CHERRY: | 100% | 97.93% |
| WILLOW: | 93.5% | 98.26% |
| LILAC: | 97.9% | 97.59% |
| TOTAL: | 97.4% | 98.25% |

Diary Dates (may be subject to changes and additions)

Tuesday 16th July

Bring an Adult to School/
University of Life—whole school forest morning.

Thursday 18th July

African Drumming Workshops (whole school)
Maple Cake/Ice Lolly Sale

Friday 19th July

End of Term Leavers' Service-9:15am
Maple Cake/Ice Lolly Sale

Saturday 20th July

Ground Force Day— 10am-12pm

22nd July

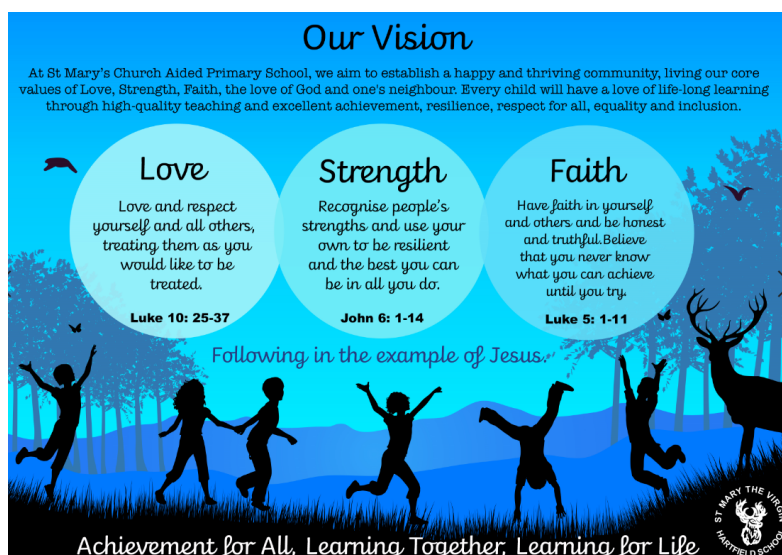
Pioneer Federation Table Tennis Tournament

Tuesday 23rd July

End of Term

Inset Days: 4th & 5th September 2019
6th January 2020
1st June 2020
22nd July 2020

First Day Back at School: 6th September



If you need the newsletter or other school letters to be in a different format, please speak to the school office. If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact the school office.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL, HARTFIELD NEEDS YOU!

SUMMER GROUND FORCE DAY



SATURDAY 20TH JULY

10 AM - 12PM

PLEASE COME ALONG IF YOU CAN SPARE
EVEN HALF AN HOUR

BUILD CONFIDENCE & SELF-ESTEEM **artytime** **PROBLEM SOLVING**

AFTER SCHOOL ARTS & CRAFT CLUB

BOOK NOW
LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE
1½ HOURS ONLY £6

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ART KNOWLEDGE & TECHNIQUES **IMAGINATION & FREE THINKING** **GET MESSY HAVE FUN**

Walsden Wealden South Downs National Park

10 WAYS FAMILIES CAN SUPPORT EACH OTHER'S MENTAL HEALTH

TIPS AND ADVICE

- Regularly check in with each other by asking simple questions (E.g. how are you feeling today?)
- Don't be afraid to talk openly about your mental health
- Support and listen genuinely to each other. Care for each others feelings and emotions
- Be a positive role model. Practice self care among your family members
- Schedule in some family time to relax and take care of your mental health
- Stay in touch with each other. A text or email can go a long way
- Show your family member that you are there for them
- Take time to understand what it is your family member is going through
- Be patient. Don't criticise and be aware of how you talk to your family member. Encourage and support.
- Tell them that you are proud of them for talking about their mental health
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Tech Club

TOMORROW'S SKILLS, TODAY
COME & JOIN US
spaces available for next term

Step into STEM

At tech club children will immerse themselves in a variety of brand new activities, experiments and group challenges. The emphasis is on fun, yet we encourage learning through hands-on activities using the latest and greatest tech, so you don't have to purchase!

- ✓ Cutting-edge technology
- ✓ Specialist teachers
- ✓ ALL NEW activities

Location: St Mary the Virgin CE Primary School
Day: Tuesday Time: 3:20 - 4:20
Sessions: 7 Fee: £70
Ages: Years 2-6
Start date: 10th September 2019

Snap up a place for next term, **CLICK** below to enrol

www.nextthing.education/clubs 01442 873150

yoga LIONS **SCHOOL YOGA CLUB**

Where? Hartfield Primary School

When? Mondays 3.15-4.15 from September

Who? Children who will be in years 1-6 in September

How much? £6 per session when paying for the term in advance. Sibling discounts available.

What? Yoga poses, sequences, stories, rhymes, games, breathing techniques, relaxation!

Places will be given on a first come first serve basis (maximum of 15 children)

Contact me directly to book a place or for more information on:

07584295517

Facebook: @yogalions

yogawithsoph90@gmail.com

www.yogalions.co.uk

Sophie Phillips, Yoga Lions

Dear Parents/Carers,

Award-winning lunchtime French classes on Tuesday lunchtimes in Mary the Virgin CE Primary!

Bonjour! I'm a local mum and a fluent French speaker, having lived and studied in France and then worked for a French Company for over ten years. I teach the award-winning La Jolie Ronde Programmes which have been used in schools and nurseries for over 30 years. They have been awarded "**Best National Activity for 5-12 years olds**" for 5 years running as voted for by parents in the 'What's on 4' awards.



What my classes provide:

A unique and well-established **structured language course**

An **authentic accent** for the children to pick up

Small classes with children of similar age

Conversation, grammar, games, role-plays, rhymes and stories

Awareness of the foreign country, its **geography and culture** •

Regular parent updates on what children are learning

The programme is designed to support and enhance your child's curriculum learning and to challenge them, so they will excel at the language and develop their language skills to the highest level possible. And all of this whilst having great fun! For a better understanding of the classes please go to www.lajolieronde.co.uk/parents

Your child had a taster session last Thursday which I hope they enjoyed.

Lunchtime classes will be starting in September (one for Y1-2, one for KS2) on **Tuesdays**. An integral part of the course is the fun activity book and interactive CD plus access to our media player app, to help with your child's learning and lasts for a minimum of a year, at a cost of £20. Classes cost £5 per lesson, which can be paid termly or monthly. Classes **are limited to 12 per class** to ensure children get individual attention.

If you would like any further information or would like to book your child a place, please email on sinead@french-tastique.co.uk by Tuesday 16th July. Thank you!

A bientôt!

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School Term and Holiday Dates 2019-2020

| | SEPTEMBER 2019 | OCTOBER 2019 | NOVEMBER 2019 | DECEMBER 2019 |
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| Monday | 2 9 16 23 30 | 7 14 21 28 | 4 11 18 25 | 2 9 16 23 30 |
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Bank and Public Holidays 2019/2020

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| Christmas Day | Wednesday 25 December | Easter Monday | Monday 13 April |
| Boxing Day | Thursday 26 December | May Day Bank Holiday | Friday 8 May |
| New Year's Day | Wednesday 1 January | Spring Bank Holiday | Monday 25 May |
| Good Friday | Friday 10 April | Summer Bank Holiday | Monday 31 August |

Staff Training Day/ INSET Day Start of term For pupils End of Term Public Holidays School Holidays

Term Length (Days)

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|-------------------|------------------|---|------------------|------------|
| Term 1 | 4 September 2019 | - | 25 October 2019 | 38 |
| Autumn term break | 28 October 2019 | - | 1 November 2019 | |
| Term 2 | 4 November 2019 | - | 20 December 2019 | 35 |
| Christmas break | 23 December 2019 | - | 3 January 2020 | |
| Term 3 | 6 January 2020 | - | 14 February 2020 | 30 |
| February break | 17 February 2020 | - | 21 February 2020 | |
| Term 4 | 24 February 2020 | - | 3 April 2020 | 30 |
| April break | 6 April 2020 | - | 17 April 2020 | |
| Term 5 | 20 April 2020 | - | 22 May 2020 | 24 |
| May break | 25 May 2020 | - | 29 May 2020 | |
| Term 6 | 1 June 2020 | - | 22 July 2020 | 38 |
| | | | Total | 195 |