

**7th February 2025**

# **Saint Mary's RC Primary School Weekly Newsletter**



## **Our week...**

**This week we have all celebrated Children's Mental Health Week with all classes having extra PSHE lessons on this important topic. It's so important our young people know how to manage their own mental health and know where they can seek support.**

**Bag2School collection will be happening at school at 9am on Wednesday 26th February. Every child has brought home an empty plastic bag and a leaflet detailing what items can be donated. Please share this with your wider family and neighbours. School receive money for the amount of tonnes we recycle! Please DO NOT bring in donations before Wednesday 26th February as we have no where to store them safely. you can find out more by clicking the link here:  
<https://bag2school.com/>**

**On Monday 10th February we will celebrate NSPCC Number Day! Pupils will have a day of number based activities in class. Please donate £1 paid online to the NSPCC. Pupils may wear their own clothes for this day.**

## **This month's worship newsletter for families:**

**This newsletter gives a great overview of what our school assemblies will cover this February and prayers for you to say together at home:**

**<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>**

## **This week's Bible Scripture:**

**Luke 5: 1-11**

**"Don't be afraid, from now on, you will fish for people"**



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## Attendance

Meerkats- 89.6 %  
Ladybirds- 92.9%  
Dolphins- 97.5%  
Rhinos- 96.7%  
Wolf Cubs- 91.3%  
Eagles- 95.9%  
Tigers- 93.9%  
Quackers- 96.6%  
Lobsters- 90.7%  
Whole School- 94%



## Stars of the Week- for being a good role model


Meerkats- Bella  
Ladybirds- Lincoln  
Dolphins- Eesa W  
Rhinos- Nancy  
Wolf Cubs- Theo  
Eagles- Amelia P  
Tigers- Paisley  
Quackers- Noel  
Lobsters- Joshua



## Team Points

 **4300**  
Arrowsmith

 **4355**  
Barlow

**4280**   
Campion

**4340**   
Southworth

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## **Wraparound Care**

We now have full wrap around care led by Play and Learn Scheme.

Times are as follows:

- Breakfast Club 7.30am-8.35am £5.50 per day including breakfast
  - Breakfast Club 8am- 8.35am £4 per day including breakfast
  - Afterschool Club 3.15-5.30pm £9 per day including a snack
  - Afterschool Club 3.15-4.30pm £6 per day including a snack
  - Afterschool Club 4.30-5.30pm (if pupils have already been in a club e.g. choir and wish to join afterschool club after this) £6 per day including a snack
- To book, please click the link: <http://www.pals.schoolipal.co.uk/>

For any questions, please email [playandlearnscheme@gmail.com](mailto:playandlearnscheme@gmail.com) or call 07930924993

Play and Learn Scheme have begun the running of the breakfast and after school club provision in school and this is going really well! Pupils who have attended this week have thoroughly enjoyed their sessions. Don't forget to register to use the service using the link so that you can book your child on at any time (more details below). If you are dropping pupils off at breakfast club or collecting from after school club please ring the black doorbell rather than the school doorbell.



## **School Uniform**

**At Saint Mary's we take pride in our appearance and know that first impressions count. We strive for all pupils to look smart and tidy when in school.**

**Our uniform policy can be found here:**

**Any pupil not wearing correct uniform will be asked to wear spare uniform from school until this can be rectified. Parents and carers will also be informed.**



## **Safe Parking**

Please respect that 270 children must enter and exit school safely each day. This partly relies upon everyone parking safely and with due regard for others, including our neighbours. Please do not park across drives or in restricted areas.

Please can we ask that the staff car park is kept clear for staff cars ONLY. Some parents/Carers are pulling into the entrance to the carpark, especially in a morning and this is preventing staff from parking and is causing traffic on Mayfield Avenue.

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**PE Days  
6th Jan- 14th Feb**



**Meerkats- Wed and Thurs  
Ladybirds- Tuesday and Fri  
Dolphins- Tues and Fri  
Rhinos- Tues and Thurs  
Wolf Cubs- Tues and Fri  
Eagles- Mon and Wed  
Tigers- Wed and Fri  
(swimming)  
Quackers- Mon and Fri  
(swimming)  
Lobsters- Fri (Trident Military  
all afternoon)**

**Upcoming Dates**

**10th Feb- NSPCC  
Number Day- non  
uniform and donate  
£1 online**

**11th Feb- Safer  
Internet Day  
celebrated in  
classrooms**

**13th Feb- Meerkat's  
Stay and Learn session**

**14th Feb- School  
closes for half term at  
the usual time**

**24th February- School  
reopens for the  
second half of Spring  
Term**

**Church News**

**Saturday Evening Mass-  
6.30pm**

**Sunday Morning Mass-  
10am**



*We love, learn and grow together with Jesus*

## HOLIDAY LIST 2024/2025

### AUTUMN TERM 2024

Re-open	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
Closure after school on	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Mid-term closure	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October- Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Closure after school on	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024

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### SPRING TERM 2025

Re-open	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
Closure after school on	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
Mid-term closure	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Closure after school	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2025

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### SUMMER TERM 2025

Re-open	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Good Friday closure	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2025
Easter Monday closure	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
May Day closure	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
Closure after school on	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025
Mid-term closure	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May
Closure after school on	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025

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**Total openings 190**