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Headteacher's Message



As we catch our breath after an incredibly busy month of March, it has been brilliant to see how the children have continued to make great progress throughout the school. We have held our assessment week and it always makes the teachers so proud to see how hard they try to show what they have learned. I am sure that you will agree following on from our successful Parent's Evening how well they are doing. Thank you to all who attended and for your very encouraging comments. The outcomes of the parental survey will be released at the start of next term

As we approach Easter, the children will be joining in with lots of activities. A huge thank you to Rev Kim and her team for running the Easter Experience at St Mary's for KS2 and to Rebecca Hooton for leading Lent Prayers Spaces for the whole school.

Thank you for supporting our Easter Service and then the ever-popular Easter colouring competition will take place on the final day where a mountain of Easter eggs are given out! Thank you as ever for your support. Mr Brooksbank

Diary Dates



Thursday 3rd April – Easter Service at St Paul's

Friday 4th April – Easter Colouring Competition

Friday 4th April – End of Spring Term – 1:30pm finish

Tuesday 22nd April – Summer term begins – 8:45am

Tuesday 29th April – Y1 / 2 Kitty Wilkinson / Florence Nightingale workshop.

Wednesday 30th April – Y2 trip to Titanic exhibition

Thank you

A massive thank you to all who contributed to both Comic Relief and who attended the Easter Bingo.

We raised £300 for Comic Relief and £300 from the Easter Bingo.



Year 1 & Stepping Stones 2 trip to Imagine That

Year 1 loved their trip to Imagine that! This was a STEM-sational experience where the children explored each zone which allowed them to use their imagination, creativity and scientific minds to enhance their learning. #aspire



Assembly Theme – Easter

Once we return from the Easter break we will continue with the Easter story, looking at what happened after Jesus rose from the dead. We will also be learning about the importance of 'Joy' – which will be our Christian Value next half term.



*Did you know that children can have 15 hours a week **FREE** nursery provision in our school **Nursery** once they are 3 years old?*



At St Mary & St Paul's, our teaching is underpinned by Christian values, as we aim to help all of our children to become both successful and thoughtful citizens.

This begins in Nursery Class, where we help our youngest children to learn how to be a good friend, help others and be kind. Learning is through fun play activities – most of the time the children are having so much fun they don't realise that they are learning at all!

Our Foundation Stage is really well equipped with resources that make learning fun – both inside and outside – and our children really enjoy all of the learning that they do.

World Book Day 2025 and Rock Kidz

The children and staff loved our Crazy Hair Day and dressing up as a Rock Star for for our two themed days. We had a brilliant time as we focused on the important themes of kindness and believing in your self.



Headteacher's Awards



Anna T (2) – brilliant writing
 Aoife M (5) – fantastic science
 David F (5) – fantastic science
 Renae L (N) – writing her name
 Esme C (3) – brilliant RE homework
 Vogue A (3) – fabulous maths
 Delilah Q (Rec) – RWI progress
 Freddie R (1) – brilliant writing
 Sophie C (1) – brilliant writing
 Sarvik J (1) – brilliant writing
 Jade W (1) – progress in writing
 Sarah A (1) – brilliant writing
 Oliver B (1) – progress in writing
 Billy-Dean W (1) – progress in writing

Cross Country

Congratulations to our new Cross Country team – It was great to see our new Year 4 children participate with our Year 5 veterans!

Attendance Percentages

	March	Overall
Reception	91.5%	89.5%
Year 1	93.9%	92.9%
Year 2	91.1%	90.1%
Year 3	93.1%	89.2%
Year 4	93.5%	92.6%
Year 5	95.8%	93.2%
Year 6	91.1%	91.7%
SS1	91.9%	87.7%
SS2	80.6%	82.8%

The children are enjoying the new challenges as part of our attendance reward strategy. Year 1 are currently winning and heading towards their first prize of the year.

Our attendance is improving slowly but needs everyone in school every day.