

St. Mary's CE Primary School

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TERM DATES

**School Year
2017- 2018**

Spring Term

INSET DAY

Tuesday 2nd January 2018
(no children in school)

First day of Term

Wednesday 3rd January 2018

Half Term

Monday 12th February - 16th
February 2018

INSET DAY

Monday 19th February 2018
(no children in school)

End of Term

Thursday 29th March

Summer Term

INSET DAY

Monday 16th April 2018
(no children in school)

First day of Term

Tuesday 17th April 2018

Bank Holiday

Monday 7th May 2018
(no children in school)

Half Term

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st
June 2018

End of Term

Friday 20th July 2018

IN TOUCH

Friday 25th January 2018



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Another week has flown by here at St. Mary's and it is Friday already! Both Year One and Two were out of school on Monday, extending their learning outside of the classroom. Year Two were at Kew Gardens to learn more in their topic 'The Earth: Our Home', where they were given a guided tour of the plant environments. Year One headed to St. Mary's Church to learn more about Baptism and were thinking about why Christians make and keep promises.

In Worship, we continue to think about how we can make ourselves happy in 2018... On Wednesday, Reverend Fawcett led our worship and got us thinking about our school rules as a way in to thinking about the Ten Commandments and why they are important to Christians. She challenged Mr Lett and Mrs McCarthy to make a Christingle in one minute. Mrs McCarthy had some instructions and Mr Lett didn't. It was a great way of illustrating how instructions and rules can be really helpful. This morning we looked at the golden rule of 'Do as you would be done by', from Mark 7:12. We read the well known story of The Selfish Crocodile and thought about what we could learn from the crocodile and the mouse in the story.

Some of the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors met Miss Payne on Tuesday morning to look at our Anti-Bullying Policy. We went through the BIG Award's policy checklist and made some changes to our document as a result. This will now go to governors for their approval and then hopefully we will be able to send you an updated copy.

Also on Tuesday, Nursery had a visit from two of our parents who talked with the children about what it is like to be doctors and the sorts of tasks they have to carry out in their working week. Thank you to Dr McEwan and Dr Davenport for taking the time to share their expertise with the children.

This afternoon, we have a School Council meeting. I look forward to hearing from the children, who will be telling us all about the discussions they have had during their Class Council meetings, thinking about ways we can continue to make St. Mary's an even better place than it already is.

Finally this evening, it is the Year Four Cake Sale and also our last KS2 Choir rehearsal before the big concert at the O2 next Friday! I will be giving out t-shirts, torches, and wristbands at this evening's rehearsal as well as all of the information parents will need for the big day! Please watch out for both the information and all of the bits and pieces that are coming home this evening!

All that remains for me to say is, have a very restful weekend and we'll see you all again on Monday! Until then,

Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher



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