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TERM DATES School Year 2023-24

Autumn Term
INSET Day: 4th and 5th Sept
First day of Term: 6th Sept
Half Term:
23rd Oct to 27th Oct
Last day of Term: 20th Dec
INSET Day: 21st Dec

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Spring Term
INSET Day: 8th Jan
First day of Term: 9th Jan
Half Term:
12th Feb to 16th Feb
Last day of Term:
28th Mar

Summer Term
INSET Day: 15th Apr
First day of Term: 16th Apr
Bank Holiday: 6th May
Half Term:
27th May to 31st May
Last Day of Term:
24th Jul

School Attendance 23-24	
TARGET	97.0%
Autumn 1	96.7
Week Beginning	%
30/11	97.2
06/11	97.5
13/11	94.4
20/11	
27/11	
04/12	
11/12	
Total:	96.6



Family Points

307 324



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VISION: Delivering excellence, allowing all to flourish
MISSION: Creating a culture of wonder, guided by Christian Faith
VALUES: COMPASSION - ENDURANCE - THANKFULNESS

Thank you all for your support of our Anti-Bullying work. Today we raised £83.68 for the Anti-Bullying Alliance through our donations for Odd Socks Day. Work has been taking place across the school on various aspects of Bullying. This has been the first of three days when we deliver important messages about bullying in our school. The next day is on the 23rd February when we have invited Big Foot Theatre Company to lead age appropriate workshops with children from Nursery to Year Six. We look forward to them joining us later in the year.

KS2 were at Church on Wednesday morning for another Eucharist in our Mother Church. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing Parish Team who welcome us with open arms. Our partnership with the Church is part of what makes St. Mary's such a special place to be and the service was a reminder of this. Our next whole school visit to the Church is on Tuesday 19th December when we invite you to watch our children in Early Years and Key Stage One (Nursery to Year Two) perform our annual Nativity. Please join us from 9.45am at the Church, it is always a singing and dancing sensation, one not to be missed!

The Leadership and Management Committee of the governing board met on Thursday evening. The committee have oversight of the schools human resources. They also lead the governors annual self-evaluation and monitor the schools work around Equality, Diversity and Inclusion.

Today has been an exciting day with Year Four visiting The Cenotaph, Year Six welcoming a magistrate who will talk about their volunteer work in the justice system and Year Two are welcoming parent/carers to a Work Share this afternoon.

Looking ahead to next week, our School Diocesan Adviser is in school on Monday, Year Five Progress in Learning Meetings are taking place on Wednesday and Thursday. Thursday its another busy day with Year Three at Butser Ancient Farm, Year Two heading to visit Mrs Livingstone at All Saints in Tilford and Year Five inviting parents/carers into class for their Work Share. My thanks to all of the staff for arranging so many opportunities for children to extend their learning in and beyond our wonderful capital city and all it has to offer.

All that remains for me to say is—we wish you all a very relaxing but fun weekend and look forward to seeing you at the usual time on Monday morning!

Very best wishes, Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher



Year Six learning about the role of magistrates in our judicial system