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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

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

IN TOUCH



Friday 15th December 2023

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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

This is the final In Touch of the Autumn Term. Next week we will all be able to enjoy a digital copy of St. Mary's News and look back on a fantastic term of hard work and fun! Huge thanks to Sarah our editor. I have had a sneak preview and it promises to be another great issue!

This week there have been many highs. We started the week with a fantastic musical Work Share from Ms. Fenner and Years Five and Six who delighted us with their instrumental and vocal work. As you can see from the photo below, Year Three were in Westminster for a trip to the Abbey on Tuesday and on Wednesday Early Years and Key Stage One enjoyed theatre show, 'The Littlest Elf' and on Thursday, Key Stage Two were treated to 'Sleeping Beauty'. Huge thanks to FoSMS for our Christmas shows and to Mrs Bishop for organising these for us.

I look forward to seeing many of you at St. Mary's Church next Tuesday for our annual Nativity. This year, Early Years and Key Stage One will perform 'Baarmy Bethlehem' and I don't know about you—but I can't wait to see it! With heartfelt thanks to Mrs McCarthy and the team for producing, directing, choreographing etc! Don't forget to come in your Christmas outfits next Wednesday as we dress to impress for our last day of term and our Christmas dinner. Recycling is the theme and all donations for this mufti day will go to The British Red Cross, there will be collection buckets on the gate.

Looking ahead to January, flute and recorder lessons will begin again on the 10th January and on 12th January you are welcome to join us for our very first Celebration Worship of 2024 from 9.15am in the Hall. All are welcome—please enter via the Charlwood Road gate. Year Three will kick off the very first cake sale of '24 at the end of the first week back!

I hope to see many of you next week, but in case I don't, may I take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to all of our families, governors and staff for another fabulous term of support and hard work. I wish you all a very happy Christmas and hope that 2024 is an amazing year for all in the St. Mary's community! With very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year, Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher



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	96.0
27/11	93.5
04/12	93.3
11/12	93.8
Total:	95.9



Family Points

403

323

392

464