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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 22nd March 2024



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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

It's been another very exciting week here at St. Mary's. Many children have been exploring their learning outside of the classroom as well as within.

Year Three were out on a school trip on Tuesday to the Natural History Museum to enhance their learning on earthquakes and volcanoes; they really enjoyed the workshop, their lunch and were brilliantly well behaved! Well done to Year Three and thank you to Mr Lett for planning this trip for the class and to Mrs Ford for accompanying them on the day.

Also on Tuesday a group of children accompanied Mrs Adams and Ms Donlon to the Town Hall to see their artwork hanging in the office of Ana Popovici, the Director of Children's Services! The children were winners of a Children's Services Art Competition and have received a trophy and secured a £50 Art supplies voucher for the school. Mrs Adams was extremely proud of the children. She said they were engaging, articulate, funny and polite! We would expect no less from any of our pupils, but I am very proud of the group and of the work that Mrs Adams produces with our artists. Many thanks to Mrs Adams for creating this opportunity and to both her and Ms Donlon for accompanying them to the Town Hall!

Both our School and our Eco Councils have met this week. Year Three and Four completed their WCET music lessons for the term and entertained all present in their end of term concert—along with children from other year groups who are also learning woodwind instruments. Year Three had their fifth swimming lesson on Thursday. Mr Lett is very pleased with the progress the children are making in the pool! Keep it up Year Three!

On Friday Year Five took part in what sounded like a very exciting science day. I have heard all sorts of noises emanating from the classroom. It has been wonderful to hear the gasps of wonder and the cheers of surprise as they explore their topic of 'Space' even further. They have made rocket fuel and manipulated a robotic arm, landed space craft and have learned even more facts about the planets! Thank you to Ms. Hesketh for organising this opportunity for the children to extend their learning.

This is the final In Touch of the Spring Term. Next week we will be able to enjoy an e-copy of St. Mary's News. So, if I don't see you before—I wish you all a very blessed Easter break and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 16th April at the usual time!

Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

School Attendance 23-24

TARGET	97.0%
Autumn	95.5%
Spring	%
Week Beginning	
19/02	94.7%
26/02	93.0%
04/03	93.6%
11/03	92.9%
18/03	92.1%
25/03	
Total:	94.8%



Family Points

193 235

280 304

