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Autumn Term
 Half Term:
 Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024
 INSET Day:
 Monday 4th November 2024
 Last day of Term:
 Friday 20th December 2024
Spring Term
 INSET Day:
 Monday 6th January 2025
 First day of Term:
 Tuesday 7th January 2025
 Half Term:
 Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025
 Last day of Term:
 Friday 4th April 2025
Summer Term
 First day of Term:
 Tuesday 22nd April 2025
 Bank Holiday:
 Monday 5th May 2025
 Half Term:
 Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025
 Last Day of Term:
 Friday 18th July 2025

IN TOUCH



Friday 29th November 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

A very happy Christmas from everyone here at St. Mary's! This morning in our celebration worship we counted down to the official Christmas light switch on! The Christmas Tree in the Hall was lit up, as were hundreds of copper lights overhead. Many thanks to Mr Mwila—or Cretos—for doing such a great job in getting the trees and lights up around school.

In every class we have a Christmas Tree. Children across the school have been busy making decorations for our trees. This morning we gave out our Christmas Decoration Certificates and children who have received a certificate will be able to see their decorations on their class Christmas tree. Everyone else's decorations adorn the tree in the hall where we were able to admire them all during worship this morning. Also on the tree outside school, every child has a bauble on which they have written their name. Children will be able to bring these decorations home at the end of term.

If you would like to make a donation to St. Mary's, you could also take one of our trees away with you at the end of term! Please contact Mrs Abraham if you would like to make a bid. **Huge thanks to FoSMS for our wonderful trees. FoSMS donated our class trees during the pandemic and we always look forward to seeing the trees which grace the Hall and the entrance to the school—A VERY BIG THANK YOU FoSMS!**

Below, is our school Christmas Card for 2024. Congratulations to Corine, Otilie and George, whose designs have been chosen this year. This morning we heard that Otilie's design will also appear on Fleur Anderson's card (which is sent to His Majesty The King) and Otilie and her Mum are off to visit the Houses of Parliament! Congratulations Otilie! We look forward to hearing all about your visit.

A very big thank you to former pupil, Noah Holdsworth-Hunt, who has been coming back to St. Mary's every Friday for the last year to help us with our learning. Noah is working towards his Duke of Edinburgh Award and his volunteering with us forms part of the work he is doing to complete the Award. We are very grateful to Noah for coming back and supporting us this way. We hope we will see him again soon and wish him all the very best for the future.

This morning in worship, I challenged the children to ensure they are truly ready for Christmas. We talked about Advent being a time of waiting and preparing. Aside from all of the parties, decorating and shopping we need to be ready for the true message of Christmas in our hearts— that message being peace and goodwill to all men.

Until next week, we wish you all a very festive weekend with lots of rest and fun. We look forward to seeing you at the usual time on Monday! Very best wishes, Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

School Attendance 24-25	
TARGET	97.0%
2023-24	94.8%
Autumn 1	97% (357)
Week Beginning	
04/11	97.3% (33)
11/11	95.2% (48)
18/11	97.4% (40)
25/11	96.6% (52)
02/12	
09/12	
16/12	
Total:	97.0% (530)

See Page 2 for our wonderful class Christmas Trees!

Family Points

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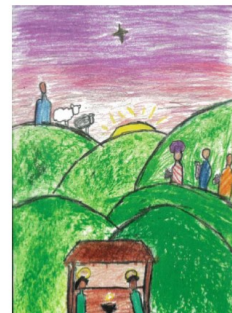
The staff and children of...
 St. Mary's CE Primary, Putney...
 wish you a very happy Christmas
 and a blessed 2025!



Corine - Year Six



Otilie - Year Five



George - Year Six