

St Mary's of England Primary School & Nursery Newsletter - Issue 9 - 20.11.2020



Please note that should you wish to receive this newsletter in a different format please ask at the school office.

This term's Christian Value is Compassion:

'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.' Colossians 3.12

School Diary Dates

Dates to look out for, re: Christmas activities, to come next week

December

18th @ 2:30 End of Term 2



Compassionate Achievers

Little Oaks: Oliver for always helping his friends when they need it

Class 1: Billie-Rose for being compassionate at all times; she is kind to everyone

Class 2: $\mathcal{E}rin$ and $\mathcal{L}ily$ for bringing a smile to Mrs Adamson's day when they check how she is or ask if they can help

Class 3: Tori for helping her friends ALL THE TIME and Betsy for being compassionate to all

Class 4: $\mathcal{E}mil_{\mathcal{V}}$ for ensuring everyone is OK and helping when people are upset

Class 5: $\mathcal{B}eth$ for supporting a member of class on their return to school

Class 6: Mylee for being compassionate to all, all the time.

PTA Christmas

Please find attached to this newsletter information regarding exciting Christmas events and Christmas Raffle Tickets. The PTA have come up with some AMAZING ideas to bring Christmas Sparkle to the community and would love you to be involved.

Look out for:

- the children's colouring competition
- ❖ Virtual Christmas Market organised by the children
 - ❖ A Christmas Raffle
 - A surprise visit (sssssh!!!)
- * AND new this year a CHRISTMAS SPARKLE TRAIL around the Writhlington area.

Message from the Office

Please ensure that you are up-to-date with all dinner money owing. Should you wish to clarify the amount, please phone or sent an email to office@stmaryswrithlnqto.co.uk

Dinners are charged at £2.60 for those not eligible for Free School Meals or Universal free school Meals (those in Little Oaks, Class 1 and Class 2).

All dinner money should be sent into school with your child, in a named envelope and handed to the class teacher.

Attendance - great news

Thank you all; your commitment to ensuring your child/children are in school (and learning) - when they can ensures that we are able to provide the best education possible and children continue to make progress.

Once again we are in line with national statistics of 95%.



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PTA - St Mary's C of E Primary School Christmas Bonanza

For everyone getting ready for Christmas and wondering what we'll do without the lovely school Christmas Fair; we've been working hard with Ms Lampert to create some Christmas magic for the children and find opportunities to do a little fundraising along the way.

The PTA supports St Mary's by enhancing or creating experiences for the children, offering our time and fundraising.

We always welcome new members, new ideas or support of any kind. This year, as we are all spending so much time outdoors, we have lots planned for the school grounds.

If you would like to help please send us an email...

ptastmaryswrithlington@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

£1 per ticket

A ticket-free COVID safe raffle?!?

We couldn't approach lots of businesses as usual this year, so we have decided to run a special, ticket-free raffle to give you a chance of winning one of these fabulous prizes!



Prizes!

1st prize: Chocolate house 2nd prize: Christmas cake





To enter, fill in a raffle slip with you name, number and child's class and return it to school.

You can enter as many times as you like!

If you run out of raffle slips, just put the info on a piece of paper and send it in with your child, along with the £1 entry.

Names will be drawn at the end of term.

Colouring Competition

Look out for our specially designed St Mary's Christmas colouring competition.

Just 50p to enter.

Everyone entering receives a prize, plus a first prize is up for grabs for one lucky winner in each class.

* Writhlington CHRISTMAS SPARKLE

For the first time, St Mary's PTA are coordinating a fundraising Christmas Sparkle trail around Writhlington.

Do you live within walking distance of school? Do you add a bit of sparkle to your home at Christmas? Are you planning to decorate the outside of your house this year?

We would love to add your house to the trail map!



email ptastmaryswrithlington@gmail.com
or let a PTA member know if you would like to be involved.

Letters will be displayed at the 'Star Stops' to spell out a 'Winter' word.

Find the word and email it to the PTA email address (above) to be entered into our prize draw!

1st Prize: £25 Entertainer Toyshop voucher 2nd Prize: £10 Entertainer Toyshop voucher

Send in the money for a map to your class teacher or buy one from Fillerup (next to the Fromeway).

£2 per map

Special Visitor

For everyone missing the much-loved Christmas Fair and Grotto this year, there will be a special (socially distanced) visit to spread a little bit of joy and Christmas magic...