

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 Forgiveness:

We forgive because we are forgiven. Forgiveness cannot be given or received unless it is asked for, and the asking must be genuine and from the heart. Too often 'sorry' is said very easily, implying: 'All I need to do is say I'm sorry and everything will be OK'. Real repentance demands that we take what we have done wrong with the utmost seriousness and have a deep desire not to do it again.

"Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others." Colossians 3:13

Our Achievers:

- Little Oaks:** Lydia, Sienna - Stars of the Week, Skye for reading loads despite being poorly and Milo for a massive improvement in handwriting
- Class 1:** Lacie Maigh and Ava-Rose for lovely writing
- Class 2:** Kenny for a good learning attitude and hard work, Leia for working hard to produce a poem with lovely description
- Class 3:** Leah for having an excellent attitude to learning, EVERYONE for being amazing!!!!
- Class 4:** Aaron for being a good leader, and Amelia for being a good role model
- Class 5:** Fergus for excellent narrative writing and Logan for using everything he has learnt to write a phenomenal poem
- Class 6:** Ellis for being an AMAZING role model and Kelsey for being very helpful and mature

School diary dates:

March

- 17th /18th Parents Evenings 3:30-6:30 (letters to follow)
- 25th KS1/KS2 Dance Umbrella at the Forum
- 27th St Mary's Has Talent
- 31st Football match v Farmborough

April

- 2nd Football match v Longvernal
- 3rd **Easter Bonnet Parade** for Little Acorns, Little Oaks, Class 1, Class 2
- Easter Art and Craft** competition for Key Stage 2
- 2:30pm END OF TERM 4
- 20th START OF TERM 5

Other achievers: BRONZE - Elsa, Daria, Kora, April; SILVER - Jacob, Fergus; GOLD - Isabella, Mylee, Tazmin

School Policy

A reminder to parents, the school policy, in line with our safeguarding arrangements, is that children should say goodbye to their parents in the playground and enter school independently.

Should parents have an URGENT need to communicate with teachers, a member of staff will be available at each door to pass on messages. Appointments should be made, if necessary to speak to the class teacher after school.

SCHOOL UNIFORM ONLINE ORDERING



Our School uniform is now available to purchase online through our new web store

<http://gooddies.co.uk>

Reading**% of children reading 5x a week**

Week Beginning	3 rd February	24 th February	2 nd March	
Little Oaks	39%	61%	48%	
Class 1	21%	33%	5% ???	
Class 2	11%	33%	43% most improved	
Class 3	56%	22%	22%	
Class 4	50%	72%	64% highest score	
Class 5	65%	57%	46%	
Class 6	44%	18%	14%	

Class Four's Educational Visit

On Thursday this week Class 4 visited Bristol for a fabulous visit to the M Shed.

During a workshop, in the morning, the children loved looking at artefacts from World War Two, piecing together information about life as an evacuee, what it would have been like to be in the Blitz, the changing role of women in our society and the significance of Bristol, as the biggest city in the South west.

Such visits bring history ALIVE for children who spent the afternoon enjoying the amazing, hands-on museum, discovering and learning lots of new information.

World Book Day

HUGE thanks to children, parents and carers for joining in our dress-up day for World Book Day! The children loved talking to us about their costumes and the books they enjoy. This national day reinforces the importance of reading regularly and the pleasure we can all gain from reading - even the staff!!!!

PTA News - PTAStMarysWrithlington@gmail.com

Sponsored Easter Bunny Bounce



St Mary's PTA fundraiser Wednesday 1st April 2020

Every child! Every bunny! How many bounces can you do on in a minute?

Come and bounce like the Easter bunny. Count your bounces with your class on our bouncy castle on

If you would like to help raise money for PTA school funds, used to support ALL the children at our school please use the sponsor form.

(Collecting sponsor money is optional; every child will take part in Bunny Bounce along with other fun Easter activities organised in school).

Easter Cake Sale and Secondhand Uniform Stall

Wednesday 1st April

Cake donations on the day please; Easter theme optional, and healthy alternatives to sugar encouraged.

Lots of jumpers available in all sizes and some other uniform. All in good used & clean condition.

(For a small donation where possible).

If anyone would like to help out on the day setting up or selling please let anyone in PTA know.

From the PTA: Here's one of our fab recipes to try...

Chocolate Chip Cookies

(Gluten, Dairy & Refined Sugar Free)

Ingredients:

1 cup chickpea flour
1/3 cup cacao flour
3/4 tsp bicarb of soda
1 large egg
1/2 cup melted coconut oil
2 tsp vanilla extract
Dark chocolate chips (df)

Method:

175degC - GM 4/5
Combine flour, cacao powder and bicarb.
In a separate bowl mix egg, oil, sugar and vanilla.
Whisk each bowl of ingredients.
Mix dry ingredients into wet, slowly (pull together with metal spoon).
Add choc chips.
Roll to wanted size and place on baking tray.
Bake for 8 mins.

Next PTA meeting is Friday 13th March 9am-10am for Summer Fair planning - ideas & volunteers very welcome.

If you can't make it and have ideas or can offer support in any way we'd love to hear from you.

CoronavirusGovernment Coronavirus action plan

On Tuesday, the Coronavirus action plan was launched. This document sets out what the UK as a whole has done to tackle the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and what it plans to do next.

The action plan can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-action-plan>

As published in the last newsletter, personal hygiene is the most important way we can tackle COVID-19, especially **washing hands more**; advice we are following in school. We are also following the **catch it, bin it, kill it** strategy for those with coughs and sneezes – also to help in delaying the peak of the infection.

On Monday a new **helpline** was launched to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

We are following **all advice** from Public Health England and the Government websites. Updated emails and websites are checked daily.

Weekly Attendance:

	2/2/20 - 7/2/20	02/03/20 - 06/03/20
Little Oaks	93.0%	96%
Class 1	98.9%	96%
Class 2	96.8%	93%
Class 3	100% - WOW!	99%
Class 4	89.4%	99%
Class 5	96.8%	90%
Class 6	97.8%	99%
Total		96%

Community Notice:

(We bring this to your attention, without necessarily recommending it)

On Saturday 7th March it's Bath City Football Club's annual Family Day fixture, this year v Weymouth.

With the famous Bath City Beat-the-Goalie inflatable available for you to test your shooting skills, face painting, Lottie's Ices and Hot Desserts, half time entertainment, guest appearances by furry friends from Bath City Farm – AND free giveaways this is set to be our best Family Day yet!

Bath City's mascot, Bladud the Pig, will be on hand to take selfies with kids of all ages – and visitors will even get the chance to meet and grab a photo with some of the players.

With reduced admission prices for Family Groups (£20 for a group of two adults and two under-16s) and "Kids for a Quid" it's Bath's best-value afternoon out.