### St. Mary's C. E. Primary School

### Spring Newsletter No. 2 - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January





## FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January Indoor Athletics

### **Head Teacher Message**

The week has been a bit of a challenge with illness going round. Firstly, we all hope those of you who have been feeling unwell feel better over the weekend. Keep up excellent hand washing over the weekend.

It has been cold this week – not that you would know from most of the children. The snow certainly caused a flurry of excitement. It was amazing to witness the children's excitement and it is a reminder that we all view the world differently.

I wish you all a lovely weekend and we are looking forward to seeing you all in school and on time on Monday. – Mr. Murray

#### **NSPCC** Letters

Please look out for the letter from Ms Elsden regarding the NSPCC assemblies we will be running. There is lots of information and support on their website.

Thank you.

#### WEEKLY REFLECTION -

I thank God for you every time I think of you: and every time I pray for you all. I pray with Joy.

Philippians 1: 3-4

#### Library

Do you have a bit of spare time you could offer?

As part of our commitment to engaging the children in reading, we have been making our non-fiction library space more a useable space. This in turn has made the management of the books trickier.

We are looking for someone who might be able to come in 15 minutes before the end of school just to put books back and tidy the space. This does not have to be every day!

This would make a massive difference. Come and speak to me on the gate if it is something you might be able to offer.

#### Beach Walk

The beach walk was eventful! We walked down in beautiful sunshine, played on a sandy beach, and got caught in what can only be described as a blizzard on the way back.

This is the type of memorable experience we are trying to build at St Mary's. I hope in years to come the children will remember the day they played on the beach with their friends and teachers in the snow. We will be visiting every month as part of our school year. I am already excited for February!

#### Christingle

A huge thank you to all of you who contributed your loose change to the Christingle Appeal for the Children's Society. It is amazing the difference we can make. We raised £110. This has been banked and donated and we will receive a certificate to display in the near future. Thanks for getting involved and helping us to support our wider community.

If you have any news, children's achievements out of school or community events you would like to see in the newsletter, please do let Mr. Murray know.

#### Term Dates

#### Wednesday 17th January - Diocesan Visit

Thursday 18th January – NSPCC Assembly

Thursday 18th January – Indoor Athletics

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January – Year 2 NSPCC Assembly

Friday 26th January – Windlesham Cross Country Finals

Thursday 1st February – Y5/6 STEM Day

Monday 5th February - Ford Recycling Visit

Friday 9th February – Last day of half term.

Monday 19th February – INSET Day

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Y3/4 Mary Rose Trip

Monday 26th February – Y5/6 Boys indoor Countdown Cricket tournament

Tuesday 26th March – TLA Choir Event @ 17:30

Thursday 28th March – Y3/4 Book Look

This is not an exhaustive list. I will add new dates in red as they come in.

Teachers may message via Dojo with class related information.

#### Arundel Wetlands Centre

Our trip to the WWT was a great success; an engaging, memorable experience that gave so much context to our current classroom learning. Out on the water, the pupils learnt all about the interesting wildlife we have on our doorstep and carried their enthusiasm into their sessions on migration and bird adaptations. They particularly enjoyed handling real bird's feet and wings! Please look out on the website for some photos from the day. One key message from the day was that, however small, introducing some water into your garden can greatly benefit the wildlife around us. I know that some of our pupils are already speaking with their school council representatives about what could potentially be achieved in our own forest school. Is there a way that you could introduce some water into your own garden or balcony?

# STREET DANCE CLUB ST MARY'S



LEARN NEW SKILLS, GAIN CONFIDENCE, HAVE FUN!



**DAY: TUESDAY** 

**TIME: 8-8.45AM** 

**SCHOOL YEARS: 1-6** 

**COST: £52.25 (11 WEEKS)** 

**NEW TERM STARTS 9TH JAN** 

NEW MEMBERS CAN BOOK A 2 WEEK TRIAL (£9.50)

Get in touch via the website to book your child's space:



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# **Construction Club**

# LAUNCHING **JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 2024**

Suitable for children aged 5+ years FREE weekly drop-in sessions



Get Creative. Get Imaginative. Get Building. **Thursdays 3.30pm – 4.30pm** 





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# FEBRUARY HALF TERM Arun SOCCER SCHOOL

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

Arun Sports Arena, Rollaston Park, Ford, BN18 0HY

9.30-15.00 (Registration from 9.00am)

Ages 5-12 Years (School Year R-7)

Total Cost £40

Football sessions for players of all abilities with topics based around different men's and women's first team players each day, designed to develop players individual footballing ability and teamwork in a fun and safe environment.

#### TO BOOK PLEASE VISIT:

www.chelseasoccerschools.co.uk
Course Code: SS-ASA-X-3

Please bring; sports clothing appropriate to the weather; shin pads; packed lunch (no nuts) and a non fizzy drink.

Please see our FAQ's for more details, any further issues please contact the below.

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