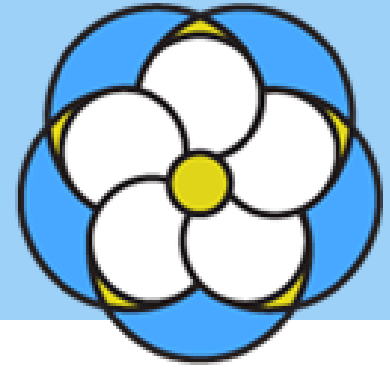


St Mary's Church of England Junior School

Newsletter 12 – 7th May 2021



From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you enjoyed the Collective Worship that your children created. There has been much feedback on how they have touched so many hearts, and truly brought a clearer vision of hope for the future if you missed the Collective Worship, please see it here

[St Mary's children present Collective Worship for the Diocese Headteachers' Conference](#)

Following this, over the last couple of weeks, we have looked at how we, as individuals, can mold our own views of the world, deciding whether we will focus on a negative story of what last year looked like, or deciding to focus on a positive story instead. Of course, ensuring that we look after our **mental health**, means that flipping our outlook to a positive one is healthy for our hearts and minds. Therefore, after we reflected on the last year, we allowed some time discussing with your children, what their own positive stories of the last year are. Here are some of the things your children have said...

- It was good to spend more time playing with brothers and sisters.
- Seeing people at Christmas was even more exciting than usual.
- It was nice to make my own routine during home learning and we could get on with work at our own pace.
- I enjoyed working with my parents more on my school work.
- I loved being able to Zoom friends so I could help them and they could help me.
- We went for more walks and bike rides as a family and around our neighbourhood.
- We took longer walks because we had more time.
- We had more family game and movie nights.
- It was nice to write letters to my friends and bike them round to them.
- It was fun to make tents in the garden.
- I made an air freshener from outside stuff.
- Having to sit outside with people was better than being stuck indoors.
- It was nice to have a lie-in sometimes.

I am sure you too will be encouraged by these wonderfully positive stories of reflections from your children!

God bless, Ms Cranmer

CELEBRATING LEARNING

*Congratulations to our
Remote Learning Stars of the Week:*

Week ending 26th March

3 Potter: Faye L

3 Dahl: Robert C

4 Curie: Mia McC

4 King Jr: Anna D

5 Attenborough: Ryan M

5 Bevan: Poppy W

6 Parks: Isla F

6 Switzer: Dylan D

*and, for the week ending
30th April*

3 Potter: Lewis H

3 Dahl: Arran McK

4 Curie: Aiden T

4 King Jr: Sophie A

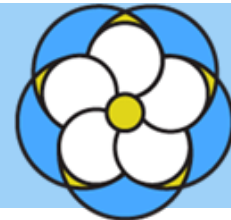
5 Attenborough: Harry H

5 Bevan: Ollie M

6 Parks: India E

6 Switzer: Abbie M

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LEARNING AND CURRICULUM NEWS

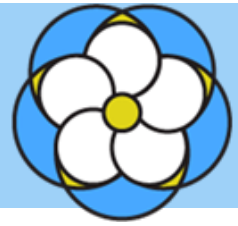
Summer Term Curriculum Calendar

Curriculum vision: The curriculum here at St Mary's Church of England Junior School is an avenue for discovery and knowledge of the wider world. We will use clear purpose, audience, engagement, interaction and oracy to drive learning of a wider curriculum with an outcome of 'showing what we know' - a display of knowledge and celebration of learning through high aspirations, courage, resilience, positive relationships and God's love.

<u>Week commencing</u>	<u>Mission and values/ Christian Distinctiveness</u>	<u>SWWK</u>	<u>Learning purpose</u>
12 th April	<i>Love for learning</i>	<i>Science</i>	<u>We are Scientists</u> Science Fair Investigations
19 th April			
26 th April		<i>History</i>	<u>We are Historians:</u> Ancient Civilizations -A night at the museum (school)
3 rd May			
10 th May		<i>Science</i>	<u>We are Scientists</u> All living things- the biological world around us. -Science scavenger hunt and exhibition
17 th May			
24 th May		<i>RSE</i>	<u>We are Learners</u> Journaling as we learn to understand and develop healthy relationships
7 th June	<i>Positive relationships</i>	<i>PE & Performing Arts</i>	<u>We are athletes and performers</u> A close study of physically and mentally healthy lifestyles - Sports Day <i>Preparing for end of Year performances</i>
14 th June			
21 st June		<i>Geography/ History</i>	<u>We are Geographers:</u> Our tour guides will take you on a trip around the world in 15 days- A transformation of classrooms
28 th June			
5 th July		<i>History</i>	<u>We are Historians:</u> A close study of inspirational people
12 th July			
19 th July			

*Please note that music, RE and languages will continue to be taught weekly.

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Class Learning Blog – Bevan Class (Year 5)

Look at how we have been learning this week...

Following our return after the Easter holidays, in Year 5, Bevan class have been demonstrating a real 'love for learning', our school value focus for this half-term, throughout a variety of their learning.



Science

As part of their topic, We Are Scientists, the children have been engaged in a variety of investigations. In one, children discovered how to separate materials, using a variety of filters and sieves to separate materials, for example a mixture of salt, pasta, paper clips, rice, porridge oats. In another investigation, children studied irreversible chemical changes that occur when materials mix, the photographs show the children testing what happens when you mix different amounts of bicarbonate of soda with vinegar.

Using technology

Following the school's recent investment in new Chromebooks for each class, Bevan class have really enjoyed integrating technology into their learning throughout the day. From TTRockstars during early morning learning-time, creating graphs to show results of investigations to student-led topic research, they have been a fantastic addition to the classroom and our learning.



Warning tales

Everyone remembers the classic warning tale story, The Boy Who Cried Wolf. In Year 5, children have been studying the features of this genre of writing and applying these to their own, original warning tale, designed to deliver the moral message of respecting and listening to warnings from parents/adults. Their exciting stories will be available to hear in audio-book form, via the Bevan Google Classroom, from Monday, 10th May.

First aid skills

Wondered why your child has been singing 'Staying

Alive' by the Bee Gees (or Crazy Frog)? One of the most important skills, any person (adult or child) can learn are first aid skills. Both Year 5 classes are fortunate to be part of a 3-week first aid course, designed to equip children with the skills, potentially life-saving, to help somebody who is injured or unwell. One of the most exciting parts of this so far has been learning how to perform CPR on Resuscitating Annie dolls. Whilst we hope that the children never have to use these skills it's wonderful to know that they have all received the knowledge to help someone in need of first aid, you never know that someone may even be you.



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Sports Day

This year Sports Day will be during the afternoon when pupils have their usual PE days. Unfortunately, this year parents will not be able to attend due to COVID restrictions.

Y3 - 15th June

Y4 - 14th June

Y5 - 16th June

Y6 - 17th June



As with previous years, pupils can wear something in their house colour. This can be a t-shirt or hat or even socks.

House Group Colours

Nightingale – Blue

Gandhi – Green

Mandela – Yellow

Lincoln Red

More information will follow closer to the date.

Free School Meals – Vouchers for May Half Term

For those eligible for means tested Free School Meals, there will be support available to cover the May Half term week. Those eligible will receive a £15 voucher per child and this will be sent out in the usual way.

If you think that you may be eligible for Free School Meals and do not currently received them, please visit this website to see if you qualify and to register as you may be eligible for other support as well.

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk>

There is also support available for families who are facing hardship and need support now. Anyone experiencing hardship may be able to receive support through the Norfolk Assistance Scheme (NAS), which may be able to provide support for food, fuel, clothes and other essential household items to families experiencing hardship. Families can contact the NAS via their dedicated website, which is

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-and-health/support-for-living-independently/money-and-benefits/norfolk-assistance-scheme>

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Manor Field Breakfast Club

Manor Field would like to remind parents that they need 24-hour notice to book places and 24-hours' notice to cancel places at their Breakfast Club.

If your child has previously attended Breakfast Club pre-lockdown and you wish for your child to restart attending, please email the school office (office@manorfield.norfolk.sch.uk) to confirm the days required.

SAFEGUARDING

Make Yourself Heard

In danger, need the police, but can't speak?

- 1** Dial 999
- 2** Listen to the questions from the 999 operator
- 3** Respond by coughing or tapping the handset if you can
- 4** If prompted, press **55**
This lets the 999 call operator know it's a genuine emergency and you'll be put through to the police.

See our guide for more information.



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2020 – 2021 CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING...

Non-School Uniform Day – Friday 14th May

We will be holding a Non-School Uniform Day on **Friday 14th May** to support our class charities. Pupils can come to school in a colour associated with their class charity or dressed as a person/character associated with the Inspirational person for their Class.

<u>This year...</u>	<u>Our Charity...</u>	<u>What to wear on the day...</u>
3 Potter has raised £16.16 for	The Dream Factory 	3Potter – Colour (Purple) or any characters related to Beatrix Potter or the Victorian Era i.e chimney sweep/coal miner
3 Dahl has raised £16.16 for	Hallswood Animal Sanctuary 	3Dahl – Colour (Red) or animal theme for their charity or a character relating to Roald Dahl books i.e Charlie & the Chocolate Factory
4 King Jr has raised £16.16 for		4 King Jr – Colour (Blue) or for King Jr you could dress up in 60s style or his famous speech is “I have a dream”, so anything which might represent your dreams.
4 Curie has raised £191.18 for	Marie Curie Cancer Care 	4 Curie – Colour (Blue or Yellow) or a daffodil or other flower to represent the emblem of the Marie Curie charity or dress up as a scientist to represent Marie Curie.
5 Bevan has raised £16.16 for		5 Bevan – Colour (purple or orange) in recognition of the EACH, and supporting our local centre ‘The Nook,’ The Nook East Anglia's Children's Hospices (each.org.uk).
5 Attenborough has raised £16.16 for		5 Attenborough - Colour (Black and White) or anything to do with animals supported by the WWF.
6 Parks has raised £16.16 for		6 Parks – Colour (Black/Red) for our Charity or for Parks you could dress in 50s style which was the era for Rosa Parks.
6 Switzer has raised £293.83 for		6 Switzer – Colour (Blue) or for Switzer you could come in Sportswear for Katherine Switzer who was the first woman to run the Boston Marathon.

We have hopefully given you lots of choices but we do not want you to feel you need to spend any money for costumes, so please feel free to wear what you have or make something creative from items you already have at home.

Half of all monies raised goes directly to the charity that each class supports and half of it goes directly back into learning resources for your child's class. Therefore, we thank you for helping us to raise an equal amount for your child's class.

Payments can be made on the day by cash, or on the Parentmail App from next week.

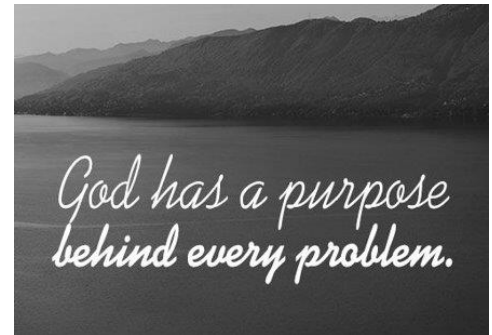


CHRISTIAN DISTINCTIVENESS

This half-term, we are learning about...

Love for Learning

We are enthusiastic learners, curious about the world around us and eager to acquire new knowledge and skills.



"but as for you,
BE STRONG and
DO NOT GIVE UP
for your work
will be rewarded"
2 CHRONICLES 15:7

Songs for 'God's Love':

Well Done - The Afters

Learning - Jason Gray



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