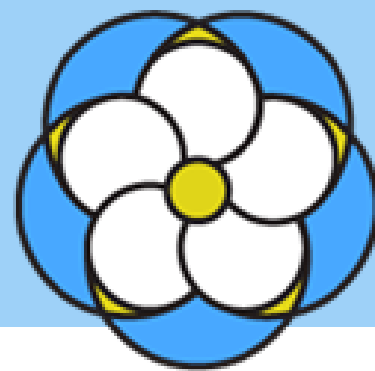


St Mary's Church of England Junior Academy

Newsletter 17 – 1st July 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are rapidly approaching the end of a very busy term.

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the Sports Day last Friday. At one point I noted 175 adults watching the races and I know that several more came later.

The children had a very rewarding day, they especially enjoyed their ice creams during the morning break. The activities continued during the afternoon with children demonstrating a wide range of sports skills across a carousel of activities.



CELEBRATING LEARNING

*Congratulations to our
Stars of the Week:*

Week ending 17th June

3Athens – Everyone

3Rome – Scarlett J-B

4Merida – Lilly-Mae B

4New Orleans – Oliver M

5Beijing – Ana C

5Mumbai – Rosalie R

6Cape Town – Josh McK

6Casablanca – Oliver T

and, for the week ending
24th June

3Athens – Lola H

3Rome – Alek D

4Merida – Jacob W

4New Orleans – Alice H

5Mumbai – Sophia S

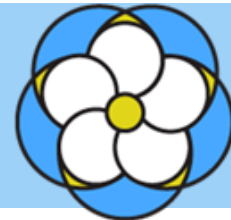
6Cape Town – Jacob B

6Casablanca – Kacie-mai J



During this week the Year 3 children have welcomed the new Year 2 pupils with a picnic on the field, the Year 2 children then took part in a selection of different activities before returning to Manor Field at the end of the afternoon.

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We are very pleased with the progress of the library, as you can see from the pictures the basic shell is now ready for the books to be brought in, which is due to happen over the weekend of 9th and 10th of July.

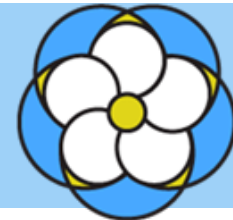


We hope that you are all pleased with the news of the ongoing leadership of the school from September.

See attached letter.

Regards from

Mrs. L Hanger
Interim Head Teacher



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>Coverage</u> | <u>Area of enquiry</u> | <u>Show What We Know about...</u> |
|--|--|---|---|--|
| 19th April 25th April | Love for learning | <u>Science</u> Year 3 – Plants – need for survival Year 4 – sound Year 5 – Life cycles Year 6 – Electricity | <u>We are Scientists – Is it vital for survival?_</u> | Experiments – inviting parents and carers in the hall! |
| 3rd May 9th May 16th May | | <u>History and Geography</u> Year 3 – Climate zones and biomes Year 4 – Maya civilization Year 5 – Baghdad and the Middle East Year 6 – Mapping the World | <u>We are Humanitarians – Becoming global citizens</u> | Being global citizens - Whole school homework competition |
| 23rd May | | <u>RSE</u> Journaling as we learn to understand and develop healthy relationships | <u>We are A Kind Community – Looking after ourselves and others</u> | Creating reflective journals |
| 6th June 13th June | | <u>Science</u> Year 3 - Forces and magnets Year 4 - Electricity Year 5 - Growing old Year 6 - Circulation and lifestyle | <u>We are Scientists – Can we create energy?_</u> | Collaborative learning - Sharing our findings with other year groups |
| 21st June 28th June | | <u>PE & Food Tech</u> A close study of physically and mentally healthy lifestyles | <u>We are Athletes and Chefs – A dedicated team</u> | - Sports Day 24th June (Parents Welcome Between 9.30am And 11.30am) |
| 4th July 11th July | | <u>Geography/ History</u> Year 3 - Ancient Greeks Year 4 - USA Year 5 - Victorians Year 6 - Making our Mark | <u>We are Tourists – Portals and Time Travel</u> | Inviting parents to travel through time and space as we transform our classrooms! |
| 18th July | | Transition for 2022-2023 | | |

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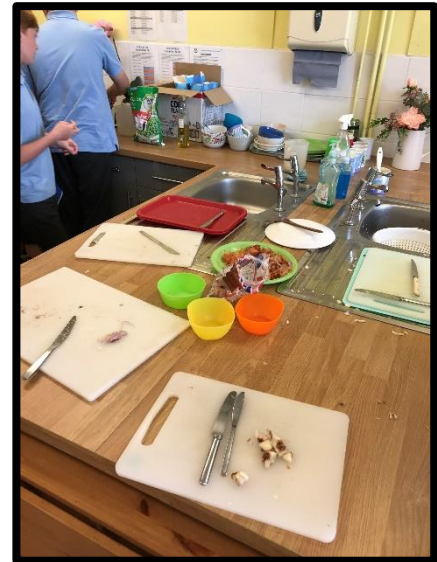
Class Learning Blog – 6 Casablanca

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

Since finishing SATS we have had the opportunity to take part in some exciting enrichment activities in year 6. Some of us had the opportunity to go to France as we have previously shared, and others were able to take part in an exciting French-themed week of activities here at school.



More recently we have been able to take part in year 6 'Come Dine with me'. Every child in year 6 has had the chance to cook part of a three-course menu before serving it to the rest of year 6. We have had the pleasure of tasting cous-cous stuffed peppers, creamy salmon and pea pasta and a pineapple upside-down cake. The whole year 6 team have been really impressed at the professionalism of all of the chefs, and the taste of the food!

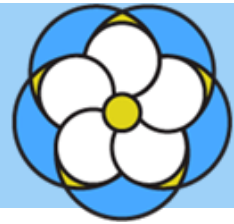


We have been continuing our writing in preparation for secondary school, and year 6 spent the last couple of weeks as journalists, culminating in organising a press conference with Mr Hughes, who has been at this school for over 30 years, to ask him about his life and career in education. Year 6 asked some brilliantly insightful questions and made an impressive amount of notes. It was exciting to see potential future journalists and reporters at work.

Year 6 have also started to think about performing an adaptation of William Shakespeare's tragedy Macbeth. It has garnered huge interest so far. As I write, 6 Casablanca have just held auditions and everyone is eagerly awaiting to see who will be playing who!

Finally, Casablanca and year 6 as a whole want to say a special thank you to Mr Ruel. He started teaching in Casablanca during the spring term and over recent weeks has taught Casablanca the majority of the time. We are very pleased to be able to say that Mr Ruel has now qualified as a teacher! He has worked incredibly hard and I know that everyone in Casablanca is grateful for his efforts. We wish him all the best in the next stage of his teaching career.

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Lost Property

We have an ever-increasing pile of lost property in the school, please check your child's uniform to see if anything is missing. Please call into the office to see if any of your items are in lost property.

When buying new uniform, please ensure that this is marked with your child's name to help us return their property to them. Lunchboxes and water bottles should also be marked with names.

Lost Property will be kept until the end of the school year and then disposed of.

Global Citizens Competition

We are pleased to announce the winners of our Global Citizens Competition. Well done to all who entered, we had some very impressive entries!



Aiden T
Maddix
Scarlett J-B
Summer M
Aiden E
Hannah D
Spencer P
Taya M

End of Term Discos

We will be holding School Discos for all year groups to celebrate the end of the school year.

Thursday 7th July

In the School Hall

Tickets £3

Drinks, Sweets & Popcorn £1 each



Times

Yr3: 3.15pm – 4.15pm

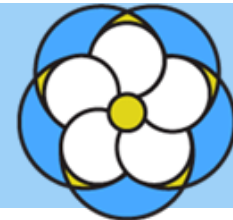
Yr 4: 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Yr 5: 5.45pm – 6.45pm

Yr6: 7pm – 8pm

Tickets are now available to purchase from Parentmail only, in advance and will not be available at the event.

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Job Vacancies

We currently have three vacancies at the school for September start. These are for a Midday Supervisory Assistant, Higher Level Teaching Assistant and a Caretaker. If you are interested in any of these vacancies please look on our website www.stmaryscoejunior.co.uk for more information.

School Uniform Information

Please see below information regarding Stevensons Uniform Shop. You can create an account and make bookings for branch appointments. If you are unsure how to create an account, see below for a YouTube tutorial

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NLsuFoCPINU>

There is also a tutorial on how to book at cancel appointments.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NzKn3vTPsDE>

Please also find attached the Uniform Price List

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOPPING SUMMER 2022

Your local branch is Norwich

67 Ber Street, Norwich, Norfolk, NR1 3AD
Tel: 01603 622355

30th May - 24th July: Walk-in customers welcome

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.30pm

Saturday 9.00am - 5.00pm

25th July - 19th August: Open for pre-booked appointments and Click&Collect only

22nd August onwards: Walk-in customers welcome

Please refer to our website for information on extended opening times

No need to book an appointment:

Following feedback from our customers we have removed the need to book an appointment to pick up your primary school uniform. Instead, we have extended our walk-in opening hours.

So, feel free to pop into your local branch during **any Saturday throughout the summer.**

Check our website for more information on extended hours in August.

Online Ordering:

Our website will continue to operate as normal. **Orders should be placed by Sunday 31st July, to ensure in stock items can be delivered for the start of the autumn term.**

If you choose our 'Click&Collect' service when ordering you can collect, even when our branches are open 'by appointment only'.

Customer Services:

Want to talk to a member of our team? Monday - Friday 9.00 - 5.30 and Saturday 9.00 - 5.00 your branch contact number is 01603 622355

180 day returns policy

Buy your uniform early without worrying about your child having a sudden growth spurt before the start of school.

We will refund all unworn items, still in their original condition purchased within 180 days.

For more information about us visit
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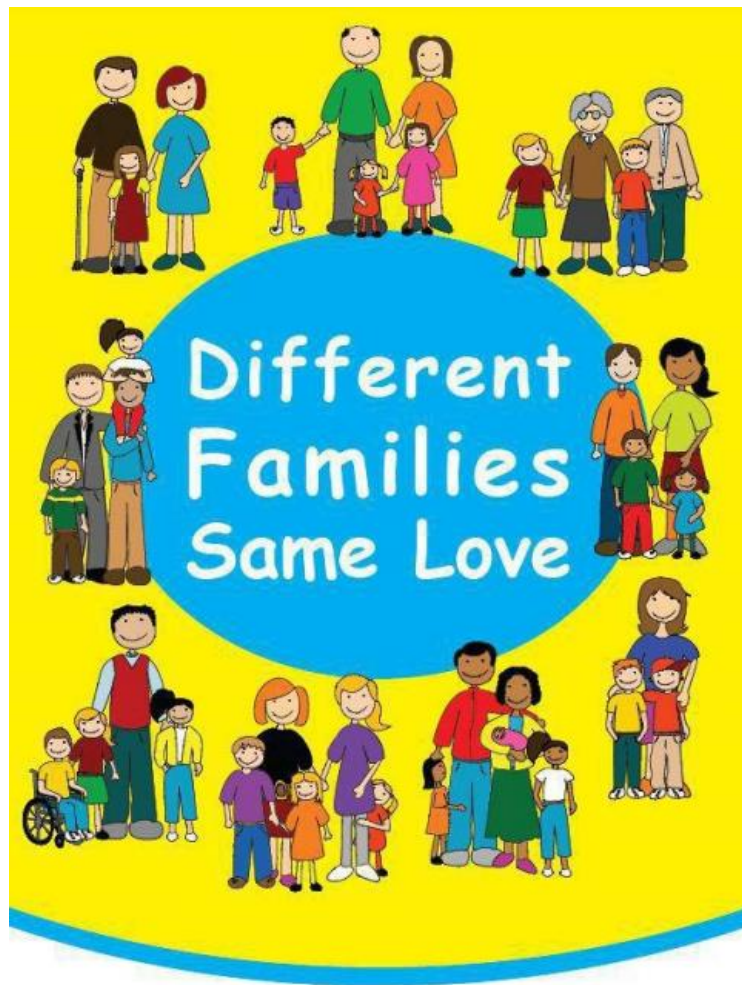
SCHOOL UNIFORM OUTFITTERS

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SAFEGUARDING

Let's work together in educating children in our school and community to be tolerant and respectful. We feel it is important that young people understand why homophobic language is not tolerated. Sexual orientation is one of the 9 characteristics protected by the Equality Act 2010: alongside age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race and religion. Any instance of a pupil calling another pupil 'gay' with the intention of being offensive or hurtful will be treated as a serious incident—in line with government legislation—and will receive an appropriate consequence. Use of homophobic language can lead young people to think being gay is bad and that it's acceptable to treat gay people less favourably. Please work with us in encouraging your children to value and respect one another.



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**PETS AS
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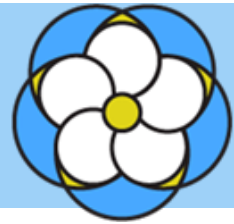
This week we have warmly welcomed our new St Mary's Pets as Therapy Dog, Manuel, to our school.

Our pupils were delighted to discover that Manuel would star in our Monday assembly. This was a perfect opportunity to introduce Manuel to our children and explain his role as 'listening dog'. Reading to a therapy dog can reduce reading anxiety and help children to worry less about making mistakes. Manuel will also support children's self-esteem and assist in weekly sessions which help children to recognise their strengths and self-worth. We were impressed with children's ideas for helping Manuel to feel comfortable, including treating him gently and remaining calm and quiet in his company. Since the assembly, Manuel was overwhelmed by the lovely letters and requests he has received from children and hopes that he will be able to hear as many readers as he can possibly fit in his doggy diary next Thursday!





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CHRISTIAN DISTINCTIVENESS

This half-term we are celebrating 'God's Love'

We develop a positive, joyful community spirit, contributing to the wider community through the love of God.

 Diocese of Norwich
St Benet's
Multi Academy Trust



*For God
so loved the world,
that He gave His
only Son*

John 3:16

Songs for God's Love:

(click link below)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sc6SSHuZvQE> (Reckless Love)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rv6_fpU2jdc (Love Like This – Lauren Daigle)



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