

# St Mary's Weekly Newsletter



MESSAGES FROM MRS ACTON

Date:-18.2.22

## End of Half -Term

What a surprise end to another very busy and challenging half term! I hope you are all safe and warm in your own homes and wish you all a very happy and fun-filled half term holiday!



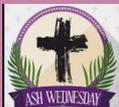
School will re-open on Monday 28th February.

### After half term...

Tues 1st March— St David's Day— Children can wear traditional Welsh costume/ Welsh rugby/ football tops to school



Weds 2nd March— Ash Wednesday— start of Lent— Deacon Michael is joining us for a remote Whole School Ashes service & distribution of ashes



Thursday 3rd March-WORLD BOOK DAY- children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or in their PJs/ onesie. See poster attached for World Book day hat competition



Friday 11th March— **Whole School Eisteddfod**. Children can come to school dressed in traditional Welsh costume/Wales rugby or football top. All children will be placed in 'houses/ teams' and will participate in competitions to see which 'house' wins overall. Further information to follow after half term.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM— GENTLE REMINDERS

For health and safety reasons, long hair should be tied back at all times and jewellery **should not** be worn to school. Only **one pair of small stud earrings** may be worn in ears and a watch may be worn to school.



Please ensure school jumpers/ cardigans are worn on PE day. No football tops/ hoodies please. Diolch

### Staff Training Days 2021-22

<del>Wednesday 1st Sept 2021</del>	Monday 25th April 2022
<del>Friday 22nd Oct 2021</del>	Monday 6th June 2022
<del>Wednesday 22nd Dec 2021</del>	Wednesday 20th July 2022

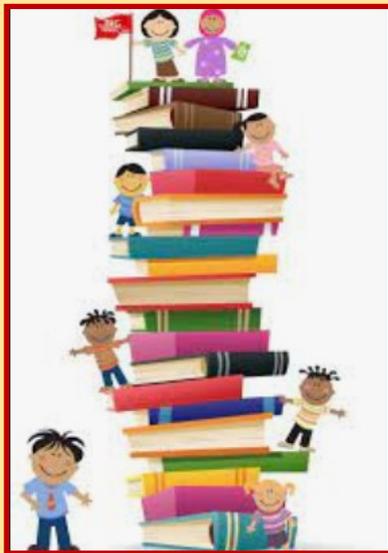
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**Puffins say 'Thank You for the lovely books'  
donated by the Jose family!  
We LOVE them!**



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## Exciting news!



After the holiday we will be welcoming Mrs Lane to our St Mary's family.

Throughout March, Mrs Lane will be delivering yoga and meditation sessions to the children .

We are always looking for new ways to develop our **5 ways to wellbeing** and can't wait to 'keep learning' with Mrs Lane.



## ST MARY'S WORLD BOOK DAY HAT COMPETITION

Thurs 3rd March 2022



### Be creative...



**Make a hat to represent a children's book**



**\*Add clues to your hat to help others guess your chosen book**  
e.g. characters, special events, props etc



**Wear or bring your hat to school on World Book day!**



**Prizes for each class**

**All hat entrants will join the 'Book Hat Parade!'**



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ST MARY'S SCHOOL CLASS AND COMMUNITY NEWS



Happy Birthday to Alfie-Jay, Joia, Rene, Ben, Annabelle, Ella



## Whole School Good News



**Early Years**-Melanie has got lovely fluffy chicks!

**Years 1 & 2**- Artur is going to Poland, Lois has gone up a group in gymnastics. Andy is now a white belt, Rozalia has passed Wave 4, Aditi has started piano lessons, David is starting football and Bianca has passed Wave 1. Scarlett and George have started horse- riding lessons and Thomas has moved to Wave 4.

**Year 3**- Matilda moved up group in gymnastics, Joseph was 3rd in a horse mountain games competition, Mollie is starting gymnastics and Diego has started Tae Kwon do.

**Year 5**- Alfie has a new dog called Truffle, Seren is in dancing competitions for the next 2 weeks, Julia passed her diving lessons, Phoebe is competing in swimming galas and is reading in church over half term and Natasha is representing Wales in a tennis county cup competition. Natalia joined Tae Kwondo, Cadwyn is moving house, Scarlett's uncle had a special birthday and Luca is having a surprise on Monday!

**Year 6**- Rebecca had 2 silver medals swimming in under 12s regional competitions, Thomas came 2nd in a gymkhana, Mia is going to a gymnastics competition, Bethan had player of the match for Brymbo Lodge and Olivia and Amelia moved up in school swimming groups. Nathaniel has a axoloti called Mickey, Cali is going to a 2 day swimming gala and Austeja is going to Amy's house for tea!

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## Thank you!

As I am sure you are aware, since our return to school, like many schools across the borough, we have seen an increase in children and staff contracting Covid 19.

It has been a challenge to ensure that all classes have remained in school despite significant shortages in supply staff.

**I thank all St Mary's staff for their hard work and amazing support and resilience at this extremely challenging and unpredictable time. We are very blessed as a school.**

Thank you to all families for acting promptly and adhering to the guidance to ensure we minimise the risk to each other, as far as is possible. Thank you in particular, for continuing to wear your face coverings at drop off and collection times and for maintaining physical distancing. Your support, understanding and patience is greatly appreciated by us all. Diolch o galon

## **Updated WG Covid 19 guidance Jan 28th 2022**

If a child has mild cold-like symptoms, and no one in their household has any of the main COVID-19 symptoms or has tested positive for coronavirus, they should continue to go to school, if fit to do so.

The three main [symptoms of COVID-19](#) to be aware of are:

- a new continuous cough
- fever or high temperature
- loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

If your child develops one of these symptoms they should follow the [self-isolation guidance](#) and you should [apply for a coronavirus test](#). The [guidance for other members of the household](#) is available.

**Please contact school if you require any lateral flow tests.  
School has a supply provided by WCBC. Diolch**