Ringing in the St. Mary's School News Issue 315 Thursday 23rd October 2025

The School Bell

"What we nurture today, flourishes tomorrow"

Dates for your diary...

Tuesday 4th November - Tempest Photos
Thursday 6th November - Parents' Evening 5pm - 7pm
Wednesday 12th November - Open Morning
Friday 14th November - Children In Need
Monday 17th November - Parents' Evening 3:30pm - 6pm
Monday 24th & 25th - Year 6 Bikeability
Thursday 27th November - Parents' Evening for Willow & Oak Class. 3:30pm - 6pm
December 5th - Whole school - Mother Goose at the Courtyard
Wednesday 10th - KS1 Nativity 4pm in Church
Friday 12th - Christmas Fayre 3pm - 6pm
Monday 15th & Wednesday 17th - Christmas Dinners
Thursday 18th - Christmas Parties
Friday 19th - KS2 Carol Service 2pm in Church

All infomation can be found on our school website. Please click link below

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We also communicate to parents via Class Dojo. Download the app to keep up with all of the happenings at St Mary's!

Term Dates 2025/26

Autumn Term 2025
Term begins:Tuesday 2nd September
Half-Term: Friday 24th October - 31st October
(INSET Day Friday 24th October)
Term ends: Friday 19th December

Spring Term 2026
Term begins: Tuesday 6th January
Half-Term: Monday 16th - Friday 20th February
Term ends: Friday 27th March

Summer Term 2026

Term begins: Monday 13th April
Half-Term Friday 22nd -29th May
(INSET Day Friday 22nd May)
Term ends: Friday 17th July
May bank holiday Monday 4th May

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The next School Bell will be issued on Friday 7th November

Dear Parents and Friends of St Mary's,
Fruit of the Spirit for October: Patience

Well, here we are at half-term and time for a break before the busy few weeks leading up to Christmas!

Thank you for your support with the PTA's 'wear what you like' day today. The children are really looking forward to the disco this evening too!

A reminder that the school will be closed for staff training tomorrow. Have a lovely half-term break, and we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 3rd November.

Best wishes,

Mr. Milne

The Fruit of the Spirit for the month of October is Patience. Romans 12:12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Parents Evening

Thursday 6th November 5pm - 7pm
Monday 17th November 3.30pm - 6pm

Willow and Oak classes only (extra session)
Thursday 27th November 3.30pm - 6pm

Remember to book an appointment via the link which has been sent by email.

Clubs next term

Monday - Christmas Choir
Tuesday - Chess Club - fully booked
Wednesday - KS1 Tag Rugby - Activate
Thursday - Willow Class Football - KICK
and
Y6 SATS Revision Y6
Book clubs on School Money

This year we are again supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and will be selling Poppy items at school.

This will start after half term, from Monday 3rd November.
Your contributions will help provide vital support to the Armed Forces Community

School Photos

Tuesday 4th November, 2025

Tempest Photography will be here on Tuesday after half term. Please ensure your child is in full winter school uniform. If your child has PE that day, please bring PE kit for them to change into.

Winter Uniform

All pupils should be in their winter uniform after the half term break. All the information you need regarding winter uniform can be found by clicking the link to our uniform page below. Thank you.

School website link

Mother Goose Panto at The Courtyard on **Friday 5th December** for Reception children and KS1 and KS2 classes - now on School Money.

OPEN MORNING

We have an

open morning on

Wednesday 12th November between 9am and 12 noon

for families interested in joining St. Mary's.

We would love to welcome prospective parents and carers to look around our school. If you know anyone who might be interested please let them know.

The online Admissions portal at Herefordshire Council is now open for applications for Reception Class for the 2026/27 academic year.

Click here to access the portal

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 you will need to apply for a reception class place for your child to start school in September 2026.

Afterschool Club Autumn Celebrations!

This week at Afterschool Club, the children have been enjoying Autumnal themed snacks and getting 'crafty' with Autumn creations!

Afterschool club is open until 5.30pm Monday to Friday

Book shorter sessions to 4.15pm

Book on School Money

PTA NEWS

Our new School Lottery is up and running! Click the link below to get your tickets!

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/referral/125492838/1196202949?

Good Luck Everyone!