ST MARY'S BROUGHTON GIFFORD

Term 3 Newsletter



Let your light shine!

Together, grounded in respect, generosity, wisdom, and community, we will "let our light shine" in all that we do. Matthew 5:14-16



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of term I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for the warm welcome I have received since joining the school at the start of the year. Throughout this term, I have been fortunate to see the fantastic dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm from our students, and the ongoing support from our families. These collective efforts are what make our school such a special place, and I am excited to see the positive impact we will continue to make together in the months to come. Thank you all for your continued support and I hope you all have a lovely break with your families and loved ones. Miss Butcher



School Highlights

A huge congratulations to all our Celebration Worship Winners this term!



Thank you to everyone who cam to our 'Vision Open Morning'! We hope you loved it as much as we did!

It's lovely how open the school is to parents. The children are all very happy and had so much fun with the creative activities.

Thank you for a very warm welcome. Thank you for letting us connect with the teachers and children to help their lights shine.



This term, our Year 4, 5, and 6 children delivered a fantastic worship, showcasing their learning and reflecting on courage. They took us on a journey through The Man Who Walked Between the Towers, Viking explorations, science investigations, and computing systems.

The assembly ended with a powerful message from Matthew 5:14-16: "Let your light shine before others." A huge well done to all the children for speaking with confidence and sharing such an inspiring message!

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Dates For Your Diaries...

Lent Reflection	5.3.25	Coffee Morning with Miss Butcher and Mrs Duck	12.3.25	Easter Church Service	2.4.25
World Book Day	6.3.25	Parents' Evening	13.3.25	Easter Bonnet Parade	3.4.25
Parents' Evening	11.3.25	Maple Class Worship	17.3.25		

WILLOW CLASS

Willow class have enjoyed the stories Lost And Found as well as The Naughty Bus this term.
The past few weeks we have learnt about London and it's land marks. We compared London now to London in 1666 when there was a fire and looked at the changes. This inspired us to create London using the construction and junk.
One of our high lights was celebrating the Chinese New Year trying Chinese food with chop sticks, making lanterns and wearing red and gold which are lucky colours. We took a fortune cookie home and found a message inside about our future which was positive. We found out that this year is the year of the snake!



MAPLE CLASS

In English, we've been working on narrative writing with Mrs Noah's Pockets and reading comprehension with The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane, focusing on fluency and prosody. Thank you to Mrs Annis, Mrs Maidment, and Mrs Devitt for their support. In phonics, we're revisiting alternative vowel digraphs and word suffixes/prefixes. Welcome to Mrs Hillier, who is focusing on handwriting joins.
In Maths, Year 2 has covered multiplication and division (2x, 5x, 10x tables) and is now measuring and reading scales. Year 3 has worked on fractions and is now adding and subtracting three-digit numbers using column and number line methods.
In Science, we're studying plants, their growth, and parts. Geography covers counties in the southwest and compass points. In PHSE, we've set personal learning goals. Art involves mixing secondary colors and exploring brush techniques. In French, we're expanding vocabulary on food and clothing. In PE, In2Sport is focusing on gymnastics. Mrs. Clarke continues music lessons with instruments and Charanga.







OAK CLASS

Oak Class have been reading and writing about a variety of texts in English. They have rope-walked in New York with The Man Who Walked Between the Towers, explored the refugee experience in Boy 87, and are now creating their own fantastical creatures inspired by The Land of Neverbelieve.
In Maths, they have been improving arithmetic speed and applying skills to problem-solving, covering ratio, probability, and percentages (Y6); multiplication and division (Y5); and addition and subtraction (Y4).
In History, they have explored the Viking invasions, the Anglo-Saxons, and King Alfred the Great. They performed a song about their conflicts and created Viking shields for display.
Science lessons have focused on forces, with experiments on gravity, friction, and air resistance. In Computing, they have been learning about computing systems and how they function.
In R.E., they have studied God as both holy and loving, comparing Old and New Testament texts and reflecting on qualities we admire in others.







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Friends of St Mary's School

The PTA is an extension of our school vision and values, guided by Matthew 5:14-16 and our core values of wisdom, respect, generosity, and community. PTA members uphold these values as they work together to support St Mary's School and its children. We are always welcoming new members to join the team, so if you are interested in getting involved in fundraising, please get in touch or pop along to the next meeting for more information.
The next PTA meeting will be on the 13th March at 7:00pm. We will meet at School.

Community Bulletin

