

### **Vision for St Mary's C of E Primary School**

*Living, Loving and Learning in God's Care; our Christian values,  
understanding of the Bible and curriculum teach us how to live, love and learn.*

*O Lord, teach me how you want me to live. Psalm 86:11*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find below the weekly reminders from this week's school calendar:

<b>Week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>		
Week 3 for school lunch menu		
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Bikability Training Years 5 & 6	Children in Year 5 & 6 should bring their bike and helmet into school for this three day training course.
	Guitar Lessons	Mrs HB will be in school for guitar lessons so please bring instruments in to school.
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	PE whole school	Pupils to bring their PE kits to change into after lunch. Class 1 & 2 to come to school wearing their PE kit.
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Singing/Violin/Cello lessons	Mrs Gault will be in school for singing, violin & cello lessons, so please bring in any instruments.
	Y6 SATS Boosters	3.30 – 4.15pm Maths & English SATs booster classes for all Year 6 children provided by Mrs Hill and Miss Rhodes.
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Non-uniform day for the winning team	Congratulations to the Green team! Children in the winning team may wear their own clothes for the day including something green.
	Year 5 & 6 Football Tournament	This event has been postponed by Grove School. New date to be advised later in the Spring.
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Own Clothes for Charity Day and Cake Sale	Children may wear their own clothes including something red with a £1 voluntary contribution to Air Ambulance. Please bring in 20p if you would like to buy a cake.
	PTFA Valentine's Day Treats Sale	The PTFA will be selling sweet treats at 3.20 after school, so please send in some change if you would like to buy some.
	Class 3 Swimming	Years 3 & 4 final swimming lesson at Market Drayton Swimming Centre. They will travel by coach to the pool for 2pm. Please ensure that they have swimming trunks/costume and towel. <b>Parents are requested to collect their child from the Swimming Pool (TF9 1JT) at 3.15pm.</b> Please ensure you are at the pool promptly for 3.15pm as staff must leave at 3.20pm. Siblings at school will be looked after by school staff while waiting for their parents to collect from the pool first.
	Fitness Friday	Children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 & Year 6 should bring trainers/pumps into school every Friday for their extra PE sessions. Full PE kit is not necessary as they will only need to remove their tie and jumper.
	Woodwind Lessons	Mrs Gibson will be in school taking woodwind lessons, so please bring instrument to school.
	End of Half Term	Pupils and staff break up for half term holiday.

<b>Week commencing 24th February 2025</b>		
Week 1 for school lunch menu		
Monday 24th Feb	Pupils return	Children and staff return to school for Spring 2 half term.
	Guitar Lessons	Mrs HB will be in school for guitar lessons so please bring instruments in to school.
Tuesday 25th Feb	PE whole school	Pupils to bring their PE kits to change into after lunch. Class 1 & 2 to come to school wearing their PE kit.
Wed 26th Feb	Singing/ Violin/ Cello	Mrs Gault will be in school for singing, violin & cello lessons, so please bring in any instruments.
	Class 4 Parents meeting	3.30pm Class 4 parents invited for a meeting in school to receive further information about Condover Hall residential trip in April.
Thursday 27th Feb	Y6 SATS Boosters	3.30 – 4.15pm Maths & English SATs booster classes for all Year 6 children provided by Mrs Hill and Miss Rhodes.
Friday 28thFeb	Woodwind lessons today	Children taking woodwind lessons should bring their instrument to school.
	Fitness Friday	All children should bring trainers/pumps into school every Friday for their extra PE sessions. Full PE kit is not necessary as they will only need to remove their tie and jumper.

<b>Extras</b>	
Midlands Air Ambulance Charity event	<p>Dear Parents and Carers,</p> <p>We are excited to tell you that our next fundraising event is to raise funds for Midlands Air Ambulance which serves Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire.</p> <p>On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February we would like to invite our pupils to wear red for a voluntary donation of £1.</p> <p>We will also be running a cake sale at morning break. Cakes will cost 20p each and donations of cakes would be gratefully received.</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support.</p> <p>St Mary's Charity Family</p>
Church Club	There will be a lunchtime Church Club running again in school on Thursdays from 12.30 – 1pm let by Mr Griffin.
Cooking Club	Pudding and Pie will be running a new Cookery Club on Wednesdays, from 5 <sup>th</sup> March from 12.30-1pm in school. Please see the attached letter with further information and details of how to book. Please note that there are only 12 places available which will be filled on a first come basis. The cost of the course is £7.50 per week.
Car Parking	The builders have advised us that there will be some large vehicles and several deliveries of building materials this week, therefore the car park may be busier than usual. They will endeavour to keep disruption to the minimum and outside of school drop off/pick up times, but please be aware that you may need to park on the road and walk to the school gate.
Talking Homework	As part of the school's Christian distinctiveness the children have been thinking about spiritual development and, as part of this focus, Mrs Hill will add a question to each weekly newsletter as part of our 'talking homework'. We would like to encourage families to spend some time talking about the question at home and this will then be discussed in school during RE and worship. This week's question is: <b>'Which member of your family has inspired you recently and why?'</b>
Grand Charity Concert	We hope as many people as possible will join us for this concert at 7.30pm on Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March at Holy Trinity Church Eccleshall. Our school Choir will be singing alongside Bishop Lonsdale School, Broughton Community Choir and the Eccleshall Community Band. Children in the Choir should arrive at 6.30pm. Adults £6, Children £3 (under 5s free).
Quiz Night	There will be a Quiz Night to raise funds for Ukraine at Woore Victory Hall at 7pm on Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

<b>Celebration Awards</b>	
Congratulations to the following children for their achievements week ending: 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	
Class 1 Award	Alfie & Harry S
Class 2 Award	Oliver E, Oliver W & Olivia
Class 3 Award	Tabitha
Class 4 Award	Martha, Annabelle & Thomas
Head Teacher Award	Henry, Oliver E, Joseph V & Georgia
Good to be Green Award	Alfie & Dexter
Time4Sport Class of the Week	Class 4
Meercat Award	Class 3
Winning House for the Week	Red Team