

**Vision for St Mary's C of E Aided 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 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024</b>		
Week 3 for school lunch menu		
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Guitar Lessons	Mrs HB will be in school for guitar lessons, so please bring instruments into school.
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	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 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Singing/Violin/Cello	Mrs Gault will be in school for singing, violin & cello lessons, so please bring in any instruments.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Book Fair	Books being delivered today will be suitable for children from Reception through to Year 6. They will then be in Class 2 for one week for children to choose from. Parents are welcome to come into school at collection time to browse the selection with their child/ren.
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Spirituality Day	Parents are invited into school at 2.45pm when the children will be showcasing their work.
	Woodwind lessons today	Children taking woodwind lessons should bring their instrument to school.
	Fitness Friday	<u>All children</u> 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>Week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024</b>		
Week 1 for school lunch menu		
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov		
	Guitar Lessons	Mrs HB will be in school for guitar lessons, so please bring instruments into school.
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	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 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Singing/ Violin/ Cello	Mrs Gault will be in school for singing, violin & cello lessons, so please bring in any instruments.
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Book Fair collection	The travelling book fair will be collected.
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Choir Trip - Christmas Tree Festival	10am Eccleshall Church. Children in the school Choir and some of our musical instrumentalists will be travelling by coach. Parents of children attending will be contacted shortly with further details.
	Woodwind lessons today	Children taking woodwind lessons should bring their instrument to school
	Fitness Friday	Children from Reception to Year 3 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>	
Winter weather planning	With the forecast for potentially disruptive weather approaching this week. Please could you ensure children have a warm coat, gloves, hat, etc. If we have snow, please can they wear wellies/snow boots with school shoes to change into. Should the school need to close due to snow, this will be posted on the school website, our Facebook page and Staffordshire County Council's website. The school's Extreme Weather policy is on our website should you need further information.
Children in Need Fund raising	Thank you to everyone who generously provided all the cakes and donations. We have raised over £90 so far and will be running another cake sale this afternoon at collection time.
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>'What has someone done to help you and how did it make you feel?'</b>
Lost jumper	Please could you check that your child hasn't accidentally taken home another child's school jumper age 7-8 which went missing last week from class 3.
Carols at the Carwash	A note for your diary, this event will take place on Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December from 6.30pm at the Loggerheads carwash. It's a lovely local event where children can go along and join in the carol singing with children from other schools.

<b>Celebration Awards</b>	
Congratulations to the following children for their achievements week ending: 15 <sup>th</sup> November	
Class 1 Award	Harry S
Class 2 Award	Olivia
Class 3 Award	Lawson
Class 4 Award	Lueque & Annabella
Head Teacher Award	Penelope
Good to be Green Award	Enfys
Growth Mindset Award	Molly S
Meercat Award	Class 4
Winning House for the Week	Blue Team