



ST MARY'S

Church of England Primary School

Dear Parents and carers,

This week our pupils have been very busy creating a collaborative masterpiece using a variety of mediums and skills. Each year group have been given a range of materials to create their very own unique pattern which, when woven together, will create a year group installation. From tie-dye in Year 5, Lino-printing in Year 6 and mandala Dylo printing in Year 4, we have seen our children's artistic skills flourish. Seeing all our pupils' art work come together to create a unified piece has been a wonderful process to be a part of. We can't wait to share the final pieces with you next week.

Year 5 will soon be embarking upon a 'Mars Rover Project' to further develop their engineering and CAD skills. Starting by researching the Martian landscape and comparing it to Earth, the children will then apply this knowledge to design a vehicle suitable for Mars. They will sketch schematic drawings in their sketch book and consider where electronic components could be used in their designs before using CAD software to create and print their vehicle.

The NHS Test and Trace launched yesterday and is a new way for the NHS to control the spread of Covid-19. It is the fastest way of knowing when you are at risk and the quicker you know, the quicker you can alert your loved ones and your community. The more people that use the app, the better it will work and it could help avoid further local lockdowns and disruption to the local economy. Please read the attached leaflet for more information.

I will end with two quotes from Proverbs which reflect this week's value of wisdom:

"Happy is the man who finds **wisdom**, and the man who gains understanding" (Prov. 3:13)

"For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding" (Prov. 2:6)

Yours faithfully,
Mrs Matthews

Meeting Reggie

Reggie (our school dog) has also had a busy week meeting all of our new reception children. We have been so impressed with how quickly the children have settled in to everyday school life. He enjoyed going into their classrooms to see what learning was taking place and really enjoyed being shown the wonderful portraits the children had drawn of him.

What kind of breed is Reggie?

Sophia Reception Attlee

Why does Reggie have a tail?

Frank Reception Wilson

Does Reggie have a good wagging tail?

Rae Reception Morris



St Mary's CADets!

This week, it was Year 6 children's turn to put their engineering skills to the test with TinkerCAD. After exploring the process of designing a pawn piece, they began engineering their own figurines applying the CAD skills that they have gained. They added sunglasses, boots, moustaches and a range of other accessories to personalise their 3D models!



Amazing Art!

This week, every year group has been expressing their creativity to produce art for two collaborative projects that will be displayed in our school hall. We are very excited to share the finished pieces with you soon but for now here are some teasers of the children's wonderful work.



Class Corner Year 3



In year 3, we have had an amazing week! We have really enjoyed reading our new book of Greek Myths and loved finding out about Daedalus and Icarus' adventure of making the white-feathered wings to escape from evil King Minos!

In Topic this week, we have enjoyed looking at artefacts from ancient Greek times. We found that ancient Greeks have more than one god and we were able to look at these Gods on vases from their time. We also learnt about the Olympics during Ancient Greece and compared this to the Olympics today. A fact we particularly found interesting was that women were not allowed to partake in any of the Olympic activities nor watch it!



Value of the Week

This week we have been thinking about our school value of wisdom.

Making wise choices for our learning and in our lives outside of school helps us to grow positively.

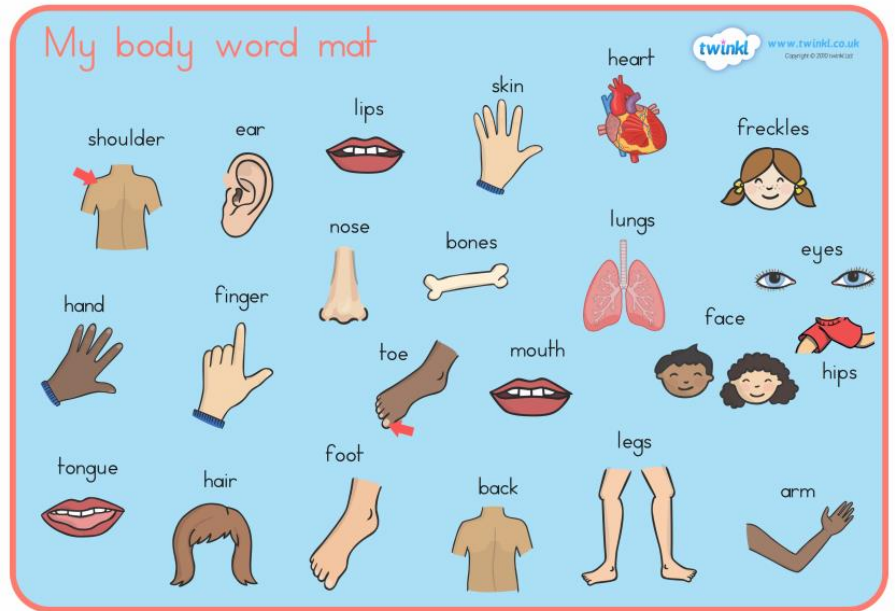
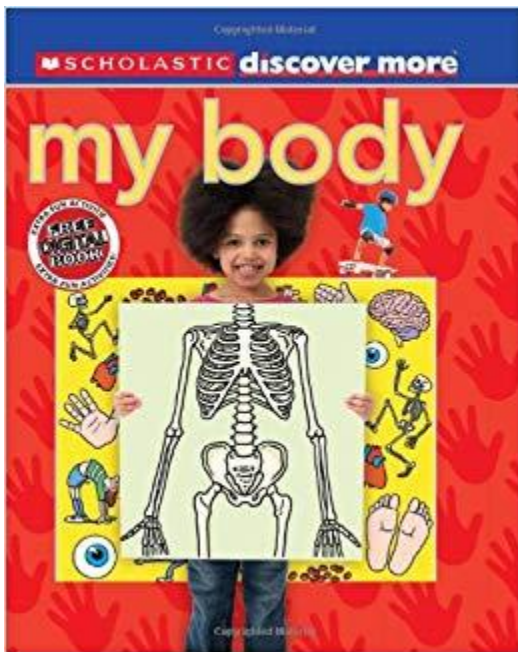
In the Bible, Solomon prayed to God and asked only for wisdom. He did not want riches, honour or power. God was pleased and gave Solomon the gift of a wise heart.

What wise choices have you made this week?



EYFS News

Our topic this term is 'All About Me.' In the first week, the children spoke about who was in their family and we played lots of games to get to know each other better. The children will be learning all about body parts and what makes us special. Please use the body part themed word mat to support your child at home. We hope this resource could be conversation starter when talking about the story with your child. We also encourage any discussion to do with what makes them special or unique will get the children engaged and excited.



Maths and Literacy Learning

Next week the children will be focusing on counting in our number lessons and describing 2D shapes in our shape, space and measure lessons. The children will begin their phonics lessons and we will be learning our Set 1 sounds. We will send home these sounds shortly so you can become familiar with them.

PE Kits

If you haven't done so already, please bring in your child's P.E Kit. The children should have a white top, black shorts, black jogging bottoms and plimsolls. Although your child is timetabled for P.E on specific day, we advise keeping a P.E kit in school permanently as we will also use this for our 'Big Write' sessions for the first time as we focus on developing gross and fine motor skills. **Please ensure all P.E kits and jumpers are clearly labelled with a name.**

Clothing

We would be very grateful to receive any spare pants, socks or trousers you no longer need or want. Thank you in advance.



St Mary's Superstars of the Week!



A huge congratulations to all of our fabulous
'Stars of the Week'!



Reception



Attlee – Oscar Farrel
Morris – Evelyn Madell
Wilson – Lewis Hayes

Year 1

Purple – Sienna Toone
Yellow – Iosif Spataru
Blue/Green – Aoife Goodenough

Year 2

Purple – Nyah NG
Yellow – Sophie Kress
Blue/Green – Lana Dinh

Year 3

Purple – Morolaya Ademola
Yellow – Sidney Clive
Green – Yakira Welch

Year 4

Purple – Ethan Clark
Yellow – Avis Johnson
Green – Georgia Ballantyne

Year 5

Purple – Victor Kenyon-Bao
Yellow/Green – Gabrielle Savant
Blue – Soliyana Wondwosen

Purple – Jahfari Burrell
Yellow – Domantas Valatka
Green – Krystian Ignatowicz
Blue – Isa Ali Shah

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Presentation Stars of the Week!

Well done to our Presentation Stars who have been working extremely hard on improving their handwriting!



Year 1

Purple – Rafe Dawe
Yellow – Elias Kaymaz
Blue/Green – Reyhan Semanda

Year 2

Purple – Darren Pase
Yellow – Luka Campos Pena
Blue/Green – Joe Coventry

Year 3

Purple – Thea Eysers
Yellow – Thea Hazelwood
Green – Finn Montaser

Year 4

Purple – Missy Chadwick
Yellow – Aiva Ralnikova
Green – Apolonia Wood

Year 5

Purple – Ayla Nakiyimba
Yellow/Green – Grace Lawson
Blue – Melanie Antwi

Year 6

Purple – Misan Idowu
Yellow – Ida Aldridge
Green – Alie Efe Kara
Blue – Dante Gbeve

NHS Test and Trace App

The app has 6 key features that support you:



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Trace

This feature is contact tracing. It allows the app to detect and log other nearby app users using random unique IDs. No personal data is shared between your phone and anyone else's phone.

If any of those users later test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), you will receive an exposure alert with advice on what to do. If you are under 18, you are advised to show this alert to a trusted adult.

Symptoms

This feature is a coronavirus symptom checker. If you feel unwell, you can use the app to check if your symptoms could be related to coronavirus. The app will give you a list of potential symptoms and you can then choose the ones that apply to you.

If your symptoms could be coronavirus, you will be advised to self-isolate and book a test.

Check-in

This feature is a check-in function. The app allows you to record when you visit a venue by "checking-in" when you arrive, using an official NHS QR poster.

The app will provide you with a digital diary of places you have visited. This stays on your phone and you can delete it. It means that you can receive an alert with public health advice if you have been to venue where you may have come into contact with coronavirus.

Test

This feature will help you book a test. If you have coronavirus symptoms, the app will take you to a website where you can book a test to see if you have coronavirus or not. If you are under 18, you are advised to discuss with a trusted adult before booking a test.

Alert

This feature is for area risk alerts. When you first register for the app you will be asked for the first half of your postcode. The app will tell you whether the area that you live in is a high risk area for coronavirus. If your area risk changes at any point, the app will notify you. This could help you make decisions to protect your loved ones.

Isolate

This feature is an isolation 'companion'. It counts down how many days you have left to isolate if you have been advised to do so. It also provides links to useful advice. It will tell you when you have reached the end of your isolation period.



NHS COVID-19 app fact sheet



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The app

- The NHS COVID-19 app has launched nationally and is available to everyone aged 16 and over in England and Wales.
- The app will help the NHS understand where and how quickly the virus is spreading, so it can respond effectively.
- We want as many people as possible to download and use the app. Every person who does will be helping in the fight against coronavirus (COVID-19).
- Although those aged 16 and over can use the app in education settings, the main benefit is outside that, when they are socialising, using public transport or in a public space.

In education settings

- When in an education setting, a user may be advised to turn the contact tracing function off. This does not mean turning off app alerts, but instead turning off the app's ability to trace who a user has spent time near.
- By turning this function off it will, for example, ensure that phones near each other in lockers do not record contacts with each other when they are not with their owners.
- Users will be given the option to pause the contact tracing feature for different time periods so that app users can receive a reminder to turn contact tracing back on after that time.

Notifications

- If the app identifies a user has been in close contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus, the user will:
 - receive an exposure alert with advice on what to do
 - be advised to self isolate
- If a user who is 16-18 years old receives an alert, they should notify a trusted adult. When they are in an education setting, this trusted adult should be a member of staff who will then follow official guidelines.
- Parents or carers should inform the relevant educational setting if their child tests positive for coronavirus. They should do this whether or not their child is an app user.

Privacy

- The app will not hold any personal information. It cannot track a user's location. It cannot be used to access a user's identity or any other information on user's phone.
- All users can delete the NHS COVID-19 app at any time. This will also delete all data stored on app.



Key Term Dates and Pick up / Drop off times

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Start	9:00	8:50	8:45	8:40	8:35	8:30
Finish	3:10	3:15	3:30	3:40	3:50	4:00
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Autumn Term 2020

First Half (34 days)

INSET- Thursday 3rd, Friday 4th, Monday 7th September Start- Tuesday 8th September 2020 End- Friday 23rd October 2020

Half Term: Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2020

Second Half (35 days) Start- Monday 2nd November 2020 End- Friday 18th December 2020

Christmas Holiday: Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January 2021

Key Reminders

Useful Contacts

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Nursery: stmarysnursery.net

Church: www.walthamstowchurch.org.uk

- Scooters and bikes will have to be taken back home by yourselves after drop off as they cannot remain on site.
- The only items pupils should be bringing into school is their water bottles and/or pack lunches. Please remember no large rucksacks are to be brought in. A school book bag or other small bag that can fit under their chair is all that they need.
- Homework will be set every Thursday and be due in the following Tuesday.
- Our Parent Liaison Officer is Mrs Haworth and your first point of contact for any questions or concerns.

