

ST. MARY'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had an exciting first two weeks back here at St. Mary's and I would like to share some of the highlights with you.

Firstly, it was such a pleasure to host our first Cheese and Wine evening where you were able to meet the teams, have a look around our wonderful school and learn more about the creative and inspiring activities we offer. It was also fantastic to see so many parents and carers at our Parents Evenings this week. If you were unable to attend the evening, please do contact the office so an appointment can be made.

We are also very pleased to have announced our after school club offer for all year groups this term. Some of the clubs include; 3D pen club, Slime Club, Performing Arts, Archery and Drumming. Confirmations for all clubs will be sent out this evening.

This week our Year 5 pupils have begun learning the recorder with Ms Gibbons. This will take place weekly with our music specialist who is already very impressed with the children during the sessions! Additionally, Year 3 and Year 4 children are taking part in weekly African Drumming sessions every Tuesday. It has been a pleasure listening to them showcasing their developing skills with their talented drumming teachers who have been teaching the children new beats and rhythms!

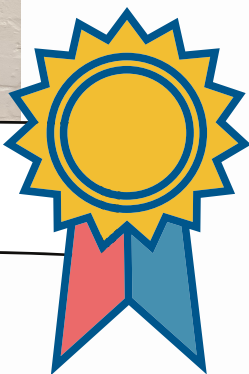
Yours Faithfully,
Mrs Matthews



Progress and Presentation Stars!



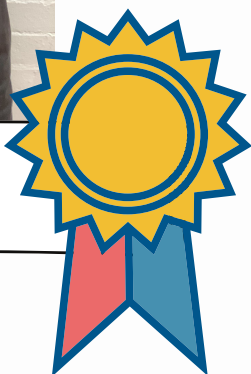
Isla- Year 1A
KS1 Progress Star



Rafe - Year 2A
KS1 Presentation Star



Lorrian- Y6M
KS2 Progress Star



Rafferty - Year 3M
KS1 Presentation Star



YOUNG TRANSFORMERS



Creative Strand - Home Project

Young Transformers across the year groups are invited to use cameras, tablets and phones to take photos around the theme of 'Transformation'. Photographers are encouraged to consider how they see transformations in nature, art, architecture, communities and beyond. Everyone is invited to send their best photo to enter for the Autumn Term Young Transformers award.

Please share your photographs with us using the school email

Email: st-marys-school@genesistrust.net

Subject Line: Young Transformers Creative Project

Submission deadline : 26th November 2021

By viewing the world around us, we aim to change the way we see.

ONE KIND WORD

ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

This week was Anti-Bullying Week at St Mary's. We had a special assembly around the theme of kindness on Monday and then every year group took part in lessons understanding what bullying means and then exploring how we can show kindness with our words and actions. We also discussed the importance of sharing information that makes us feel uncomfortable and how we can feel safe at school.



Upcoming Events

November 2021

W/C 8th November - Parent Cheese & Wine Evenings

W/C 15th November - Parents Evening

17th November - Year 1 Forest School Trip



December 2021

3rd December - Whole School Panto

6th December - Flu Immunisation Visit by School Nurses

7th December - Climbing Wall and Science Dome

9th December - Individual and Sibling Photos

10th December - Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day

TBC - Reception & Year 1 Nativity

TBC - Carols by Candlelight



CLASS CORNER



Year 4 kicked off this half term by learning about the Mayans. We have focused on exploring their civilization and their architecture. We even managed to dive into a chocolate Mayan temple cake Miss Fedele made. We have also been fortunate enough to have started our music lessons with the African drumming team learning to respond to beats and to create our own. We can't wait to continue our musical journey.



ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week was 96.97%.

Well done to Reception Morris for having 100% attendance this week!



Warren Jones
NHS PARAMEDIC



Year 1's Special Visit

As part of our amazing Young Transformers programme Year 1 had a visit from Warren, an amazing local Paramedic and parent. He explained how the emergency services work and that they are here to keep us safe. He also informed the children of an average day in the life of a paramedic and what work they do in London and our local community. This links with our school vision: By knowing who keeps us safe, we feel protected and reassured.



Parent Prayer

Parent Prayer is on Wednesday evenings at 8pm on Zoom- twenty minutes of prayer and reflection. A relaxing space for parents to come together at the end of the day. All are welcome! If you would like the zoom link, please email Jacintha Danaswamy at jacintha@stmaryswalthamstow.org

Our Shining Stars!

Week commencing 8th November 2021

Reception

Rafferty , Logan & Seth

Year 1

Emilia, Isla & Louis

Year 2

Frankie, Edward & James

Year 3

Remy, Silva & Arthur

Year 4

Zach, CJ & Nikola Y

Year 5

Mariela, Beato & Seraphina

Year 6

Scarlett, Sonny C, Lucas & Sandra

Our Shining Stars!

Week commencing 15th November 2021

Reception

Jack, Frederick & Joel

Year 1

Atta, Fabian & Muhammad

Year 2

Phoebe, Olivia & Ake

Year 3

Poppy, Tomi & Elliot

Year 4

Ava, Eden & Thierry

Year 5

Zal, Omayya & Nathan

Year 6

Angelo, Hilal, Amanda & Lexi

St. Mary's Christian Vision

I AM THE VINE AND YOU
ARE THE BRANCHES. IF
YOU REMAIN WITH ME AND
I WITH YOU, THEN YOU
WILL BEAR MUCH FRUIT.
LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I
HAVE LOVED YOU.
(JOHN 15).