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Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are thrilled to share some wonderful news with you. The charity we partnered with, Centrepoin, has recognised our community's efforts to support people experiencing homelessness by publishing a 'Thank You' on their website. This is a fantastic achievement and a testament to the generosity and compassion of our school community. You can view their message here:

<https://centrepoin.org.uk/support-us/thank-you-celebrating-our-supporters>

Our recent Cultural Day was a true highlight. The children took great pride in sharing their backgrounds and experiences, speaking with confidence and listening with genuine interest as they learned from one another. It was a vibrant and inspiring celebration of the rich diversity that makes our school such a special place.

We also invite you to explore the fantastic work completed during the spring term through our Young Transformers and Courageous Advocacy lessons. These pieces are attached separately and offer meaningful opportunities for discussion at home.

Finally, we are delighted to report that school attendance for the year to date stands at an excellent 96.7%. This reflects our shared commitment to ensuring every child makes the most of their learning opportunities—thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,
Joe Pitchford

Key Dates

1st May

Yr 1 Trip to
Audley End
Railway

W/C 11th May
Mental Health
Week

11th - 14th May
Year 6 SATS

15th May
Dress in Green

W/C 18th May
Circus Skills

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Cultural Day

We had a wonderful day celebrating culture in our school. Well done to all the children for learning more and sharing so proudly.



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Reminders

Medication

If your child has medication in school, please check that it is in date and that we have the correct expiry details on record. If there have been any changes to their medication or care plan, please let the office know in writing and send in any updated documents from your GP.

Healthy Snacks

As St Mary's School is a Healthy School, please send only healthy snacks such as fruit, nut-free cereal bars, yoghurt bars, or fruit bars. Chocolate, crisps, and fizzy drinks will be replaced with fruit and sent home. Please also make sure your child brings a water bottle each day, as we encourage regular water drinking and bottles can be refilled in school.

We are proud to be a nut free school.

Uniform Update

We have introduced a school tie to our St Mary's uniform. Our pupil's used their pupil voice advocates and requested that a vote was held during our school council meetings that tie was included in our uniform to help them prepare for secondary school!

Purchase here:

[St Mary's Tie](#)

