

Newsletter

Summer 2 Week 1 (Edition 33)

Dear parents and carers,

This is the final term of the school year and we have many events and transitions happening across the school. Please check the school calendar to make sure you have the events booked. Happy Eid Ul-Adha to all those celebrating today and throughout the weekend. To the rest of you enjoy your weekend too.

Values

St Mary's Christian Values for Summer Term:

Forgiveness, perseverance and resilience.

Our school bible quote which we aspire all children and adults to achieve is:

'I instruct you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths.' (Proverbs 4:11)

Absence

You must do all you can to make sure your child attends school regularly. However, on the rare occasion they must be absent please reported on this on our study bugs system. We ask that you clearly state your child's name, year group and class and state the reason why your child is absent. We ask that you are specific so we can recognise trends and local outbreaks. We do not authorise holidays during term time and you may be fined through the authority. Please try to arrange appointments out of school hours, however, if this is not possible, please email the school office with conformation of the appointment.

Clubs

If your child is interested in attending a club, please visit our website or click below. Did you know we offer clubs at lunchtime free to all children. Why not ask your child if they attend one or two? <https://www.stmarys.slough.sch.uk/school-clubs/>

GATES OPEN 08.20am and **CLOSE** 8.30am prompt. Children should be in class, registered and ready for learning at 8.30am. Please avoid lateness as this impacts on the front office and a calm start to your child's day.

Attendance Competition



We are repeating our attendance competition again this year. It is open to everyone who attends St Mary's school.

All children who achieve 100% and really flourish in their school attendance will be receiving a special certificate to thank them for coming to school every day for a whole term.

Those who achieve 100% for the whole year will receive a special celebration and receive some prizes. They will automatically be entered into a draw where one lucky family will win a summer family day out for four to Legoland.

Good luck everyone!



Attendance for this week

Nursery AM	82.3%
Nursery PM	94.6%
0Poppy	89.7%
0Bluebell	94.5%
0Daffodil	93.3%
1Damson	97.3%
1Cherry	96.7%
1Apple	96.7%
2Pear	98.7%
2Plum	93.4%
2Peach	93.8%
3Ash	99.3%
3Sycamore	98.3%
3Juniper	95.3%
4Larch	96%
4Beech	92%
4Oak	96.4%
5Hazel	91.9%
5Alder	95.9%
5Elm	97.3%
6Willow	91.7%
6Maple	96%
6Rowan	99.7%
Total	95.1%

School Total this week 95.1%

This is just below national expectation.
Every class should be at 96%+ every week.

PARENT NEWS

SCHOOL ABSENCE

If you haven't yet signed up to study bugs to report your child's absence please do. The office staff are there to help you if you are unsure.

SCHOOL TRIPS

Please donate to school trips however little or as much you can so the children at St Mary's can continue to have opportunities and experiences beyond the classroom. Thank you.

TESCO REWARDS!

Please can you consider making your weekly shop at Tesco so that your child's nursery receives a donation of £1000 this May! Please see the attached poster how to shop using the easy app or website.



easyfundraising | **TESCO**

**Your school could receive a
£1,000 donation this May!**

If your supporters raise a donation from a Tesco shop this May, your school could receive one of five £1,000 funding pots, courtesy of Tesco. Register your school today, then tell everyone in your network to sign up and do their next grocery shop with Tesco via easyfundraising!

LEADING PARENT PARTNERSHIP AWARD

We want YOUR views

Please let us know how we can improve the school newsletter. What items would you like to see added? Is there a particular area you would like to know more about? Would you like information about curriculum, teaching tips, training as a volunteer etc. Please contact the school office with your ideas. All ideas welcome.

CLUBS

If your child is interested in joining a club, please see below.

New Summer Term - 2- 2025 - After School Clubs

To book simply log on to your child's parent pay account and pay for the club to reserve your child's place. (First come first serve basis) **If you are able to pay then take this as your confirmation & take note of the dates & times below.** Due to start week of 2nd June 2025

Club Menu

Monday - Athletics - Year 3 & 4 - 3:30 - 4:15 - 28 Apr - 19 May then after half term, **9 Jun, 16 Jun**

Monday - Cricket Club - Year 5 & 6 - 3:30 - 4:30 - 9 June - 14 July

Tuesday - Fencing - Year 1 & 2 - 3:30 - 4:30 - 3 Jun - 8 July

Wednesday - Tennis - Year 5 & 6 - 3:30 - 4:15 - 23 Apr - 21 May

Wednesday - Tennis - Year 5 & 6 - 3:30 - 4:15 - 4 Jun - 16 July (New Group)

Wednesday - Forest School - Year 1 & 2 - 3:30 - 4:05 - 7 May - 16 Jul (New Group)

Thursday - Choir Club - Year 3 to 6 - 3:30 - 4:15 - 5 June - 17 July

RECEPTION YEAR



A new half term and a new topic. Our focus this week is RECYCLING and looking after our world. We have been reading **Michael Recycle by Ellie Bethel and Alexandra Colombo**, he certainly is a superhero! Despite the weather we went on a litter hunt then made a record of the different types of litter. We discussed which materials could be recycled.

Do think before you throw anything into the general rubbish bin – can anything be reused or recycled? **Let's all work together to help improve our environment.**

You can see other photos on our website. <https://www.stmarys.slough.sch.uk/reception-year/>



NELI groups haven't started back yet but we will be continuing with our topic about **time**. Please see the link below for the NELI Newsletters including the vocabulary we have learnt.

<https://st-marys-church-of-england.secure-primariesite.net/neli-nuffield-early-language-intervention/>

Mrs R. Ballard Reception Intervention Teacher

Year 6

Visit to JMC Mosque

On Wednesday, year 6 walked to the JMC Mosque in Stoke Poges Lane to enjoy a morning of fun activities. After a brisk, energetic walk, we arrived and were greeted by the lovely volunteers who had arranged a carousel whereby the children tasted Sunnah foods, dressed up in traditional Islamic clothing, learnt how to do calligraphy and were taught about the five pillars of Islam. Some children were also able to carry out the ritual of Wudu. The children thoroughly enjoyed the visit, and we certainly got our steps in!



Ms J. Rockett (Year 6 Lead).

Year 5 SEND Roadshow

Are you a parent /carer or family member of a child in Year 5 with Special Educational Needs (SEND)?

Do you have any questions or do you want to find out about how pupils with SEND are supported in secondary schools in Slough?

If so please come along to our Year 5 Roadshow. There will be representatives from the Slough secondary schools and services that support parents carers and young people with SEND

We are holding an event on the 24 June 2025 at Arbour Park Stadium Arbour Park, Slough SL2 5AY between 1.00 and 3.30 pm

You will be made very welcome and we look forward to meeting you.

**For further information email:
ISSadmin@slough.gov.uk**



SUPPORTING PEOPLE INTO JOBS

JOB FAIR & CAREER EXPO



Slough Jobs Fair
Thursday 26th June 2025
10am – 1pm

Venue:
The Curve
William Street
Slough
SL1 1XY



Tests and Tasks for 2025

Good luck to Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 pupils

Year 4 Maths Timetable Checker (official) to commence 9 June 2025 and last for 2 weeks.

Year 1 and Year 2 Phonic screening (official) to commence 9th June 2025 and last for 2 weeks.

Please can you make sure the following is in place to support your child to achieve their best:

- A healthy breakfast each day
- Attend school everyday and arrive on time
- Any activities and homework to complete
- Positive comments to inspire and encourage your child
- Check out the school website year group pages

Thank you for your support on this matter.

Sports Update of Events

Mr Bignell (PE and sports coach)

Diary Dates

09.06.2025	Year 1 and Year 2: Phonics screening tests commence
09.06.2025	New to Nursery year parents' Welcome induction meeting 10am
10.06.2025	Year 6: WW2 workshop in school
11.06.2025	Year 6: Trip to the Mosque
11.06.2025	Rocksteady launch assembly Yr-Y5
12.06.2025	Year 4: Oak Class swimming
13.06.2025	Reception: Poppy Class Assembly @ 1pm start, Yew Hall (Parents welcome)
19.06.2025	Year 6: Trip to Science Museum
19.06.2025	Year 4: Oak Class swimming
23.06.2025	Year 5 and Year 6: Sports Day 9.15am-10.45am (parents welcome)
23.06.2025	Year 3 and Year 4: Sports Day 2.00pm-3.15pm (parents welcome)
24.06.2025	Year 1 and Year 2: Sports Day 9.15am-10.45am (parents welcome)
24.06.2025	Year Reception: Sports Day 2.00pm-3.15pm (parents welcome)
25.06.2025	Year Nursery: Sports Day 9.15am-10.45am (parents welcome)
25.06.2025	Year Nursery: Sports Day 2.00pm-3.15pm (parents welcome)
26.06.2025	Reception: Daffodil Class Assembly @ 3 pm start, Yew Hall (Parents welcome)
26.06.2025	Year 4: Oak Class swimming
27.06.2025	Year 3: Juniper Class Assembly @ 8.50am start, Yew Hall (Parents welcome)
01.07.2025	Class swap – meet your new teacher
03.07.2025	Year 4: Oak Class swimming
03.07.2025	Year 2: Trip to Littlehampton
07.07.2025	Art week whole school
07.07.2025	Year 4: London Landmarks Trip
08.07.2025	Year 4: London Landmarks Trip
09.07.2025	Year 4: London Landmarks Trip
10.07.2025	Year 4: Oak Class swimming
15.07.2025	Year 6: performance @ 2pm (parents welcome)
16.07.2025	Year 6: performance @ 6pm (parents welcome)
18.07.2025	Annual pupil report to parents
21.07.2025	Year 6: Leavers party
22.07.2025	Year 6 Leavers assembly & Presentation (9am parents welcome)
22.07.2025	FINISH SCHOOL YEAR @ 1.30pm
23.07.2025	Inset for staff (excl. TAs, LSAs & Lunch staff)