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Upcoming Events

November 2

Start of term

November 11

Remembrance Day

November 13

Flu vaccinations

We hope that you are all having a lovely half term holiday. Don't forget that we begin the new half term on **Monday 2nd November**.

We look forward to seeing you all for the start of the next half term.

Dahl Class

We would all like to say a huge thank you to Mrs. Howlett. She has been working with Dahl Class for the previous half term. After the half term holiday, Mrs. Kay will be returning to St. Mary's following her maternity leave. Mrs. Howlett has been amazing and I know all of the children and staff have enjoyed having her as part of the teaching team this term and I am certain that she will continue to support us and work with us over the coming year.

Achieve4All Clubs

At the end of the last half term we sent out a letter about the Achieve4All after school sports clubs which will run again on a Wednesday and Thursday in the coming half term. These are paid clubs and if you would like your child to take part please visit the Achieve4All website and use the 'Camps and Clubs' drop down menu to locate the clubs and register your child. A4A will run the clubs in the next half term

Important Announcement

Please make sure that you complete one of the booking forms, which are available from the school office, if you would like to book any sessions in our Before and After School Clubs (BASC).



at a reduced cost of £2.50 per session so please take the time to sign up before the start of the new half term if you are interested.

<https://achieve4all.co.uk/>



More Important News

3 Peaks Challenge

You may have seen the letter from Mr. Harding about the 3 Peaks Challenge. We had to postpone the walk for now, due to the tighter restrictions which are coming into place across different parts of the country. We are not cancelling though, and we have set a new date of the 28th May 2021. We will continue to raise money for Young Minds in support of mental health awareness and so the Just Giving page will remain open for any contributions. Thank you for all of your support so far. Across the federation we have raised £3156 which is way above our £1800 target.



Plastic Lids

Last term I posted messages about collecting the different coloured plastic bottle tops like the ones on plastic milk bottles or bottles of drink. The plan is to use them to make a lovely piece of artwork for the school. Thank you for all of the lids we have received so far.



Rights Respecting



Article 29 (goals of education)

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

Christian Value

Our Christian Value for the coming half term is...

Perseverance

Galatians 6:9

'Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.'

'The Lost Sheep' is a great story in the Bible that helps to illustrate the value of perseverance.

If you haven't started collecting yet, could you please help us by starting your collection as soon as possible. Children can post them into the tall plastic recycling bin by the school library. We need lots of them and also lots of different colours to make the best picture that we can. The tall bin is slowly beginning to fill which is great to see.



Snacks

Children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 have a choice of a piece of fruit supplied by the fruit scheme. For children in Key Stage 2, can we please remind you that only healthy snacks eg. piece of fruit or vegetable should be eaten at playtime. A big reminder to all children that ONLY water should be in their own water bottles which they are bringing to school and these bottles need to go home at the end of each day to be cleaned and refreshed.

Thank you for your continued support with everything that we do at St. Mary's.

Regards,

Adrian Clements

Head of School