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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: SUNDAY 19th JANUARY 2025, WEEK 2

### FROM THE HEADTEACHER

#### Headteacher

We have been very busy this week rehearsing for our big celebration and we can't wait to share the film with you; thank you for sending in the correct costumes. If you are struggling to source something, do let us know as soon as possible.

#### St Mary's has talent

Disco Fever hit St Mary's this week as we started our 380<sup>th</sup> Celebration events. The children (and staff) *busted their moves* to a variety of hits and great fun was had by all.



#### Friends of St Mary's – lots of thanks

I cannot tell you what a relief it is to finally be able to announce our new Chair: Phillipa Straker-Nesbit and Vice-Chair: Sarah McLachlan. Thanks to them both for taking the leap. Enormous thanks also go out to Anna Miley who kept things ticking over wonderfully (even though she had resigned) and who is now ready to hand over the reins to the new team. Thanks also to the Class Reps and committees who made sure that, even without a solid top-team, our fundraising efforts continued. I suspect there will be a settling in period whilst the team establishes itself but I very much look forward to working with them.

#### Year 3 Bibles

Last week Year 3 were presented with a Bible at St Mary's Church which was gifted by the School's Trustees. The children enjoyed hearing about and seeing Father Jeff's own family Bible which is over 100 years old. I wonder where these Bibles will be one hundred years from now?

#### Weekly attendance: w/c 13th January 2025

Well done to Year 2 for reaching **'The Golden Goal'** for the highest attendance and also to Year 4 for the least lates this week!

Year group	Lates	Attendance
Reception	6	94.20%
Year 1	9	97.66%
Year 2	4	98.44%
Year 3	3	98.13%
Year 4	1	96.51%
Year 5	2	98.00%
Year 6	3	94.36%
Whole School	28	96.75%

### OTHER NEWS

#### Other news

In the week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February it is Children's Mental Health Week. At St Mary's we have plans for some lovely activities recommended by Place2Be, who have partnered this year with The Walt Disney Company. The theme *Here4You*, looks at the characters of Pixar's *Inside Out 2*, and encourages children and young people across the UK to discover how getting to know who they are can help them build resilience, grow and develop. To kick the week off we invite the children to come into school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February in non-uniform - please remember no fancy dress!

### A message from Kevin

Next week the winner of the Logo Competition and the Bushcraft sessions will be announced. Thank you to those who entered.

### School Admissions Officer – Job Advert

Achieving for Children are advertising for a new School Admissions Officer. Full details can be obtained via the following link:

[School Admissions Officer post](#)

### St Stephen's Church – Quiz & Curry Night

St Stephen's Church, Twickenham are hosting a Quiz and Curry Night on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Full details can be viewed via the following link:

<https://shorturl.at/rJAHa>

### Weekly School Social Media Posts



Year 1 transformed their classroom into a magical frozen land to inspire some creative writing.

### FINALLY

### Prayer

In our term of forgiveness:

'Judge not, and you will not be judged;  
condemn not, and you will not be condemned;  
forgive, and you will be forgiven.'

Luke 6:37

### Reminders:

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Year 1 cake sale (IS)

#### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025

9am - 4M class assembly

(link class Year 3 Sycamores)

2-3pm – Year 6 school disco (JS)

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025

380<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at St Mary's Church

Your sincerely

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