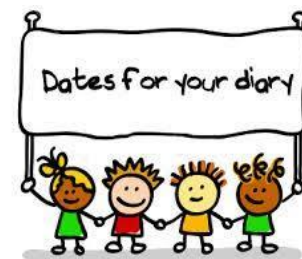




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"Together we journey to a future of opportunity."

Friday 23rd January



Message From Mrs Stevens

We're now halfway through this half-term and the leadership team have spent some time carrying out monitoring this week and looking at the amazing progress that the children are making by looking through their books.

Next week is Assessment Week for children in school. These assessments will be used to inform teacher judgements on how all the children are getting on. This helps teachers to adapt future planning to fill any gaps and meet the needs of the children. The children will be asked to work quietly, as we need to know that they have done the work independently, but please be assured (and reassure your children) that they are only used to support the teacher and there is nothing for them to worry about.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents of our expectations with regards to school uniform, as there are lots of children who are currently not following our uniform policy.

Children are expected to wear a yellow polo shirt, with a blue sweatshirt or cardigan with our school logo. This should be worn with grey or black tailored trousers, shorts, pinafore dresses or skirts and black or grey tights or socks. In the warmer weather, blue gingham school dresses may also be worn.

Shoes should be fit for purpose and suitable for running around. They must be mostly black and secured with a buckle, laces, Velcro, zip or elastic. These can be trainer style shoes, provided that they are mostly black. For PE, children are asked to wear a plain white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts, a blue school sweatshirt and any trainers. Children are allowed to wear a watch and one pair of stud earrings (which need to be removed or taped over for PE). Hair should be tied back if it is shoulder length or longer.

We appreciate your support in ensuring that children are dressed appropriately for the school day.

- Wednesday 28th
January-Year 2
Exmoor Zoo Trip
- Thursday 5th
February -
Chaffinches Act
of Worship
- Monday 9th
February – Non-
Uniform Day
- Friday 13th
February – Non-
Uniform Day,
wear something
Red.
- Monday 16th
February – Half
Term Week
- Monday 23rd
February – Non-
Pupil Day
- Tuesday 24th
February-
Children return
to school
- Thursday 26th
February - Class
Photos

Year 2 Exmoor Zoo

Don't forget, Year 2 have their Exmoor Zoo trip on Wednesday 28th January. Children are welcome to bring up to £5 pocket money for the trip but are responsible for their own money. If you haven't already done so, please log into ParentPay to pay and give consent for the trip.



St Mary's C of E School Values

- *Friendship*
- *Acceptance*
- *Compassion*
- *Respect*
- *Honesty*
- *Perseverance*

Menu for Week Commencing 26th January

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1 (Main)	Mediterranean Cheesy Pasta	Turkey Meatballs in a Tangy Sauce	Oven Baked Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding	Mild Chicken Curry	Crispy Salmon Nuggets
Option 2 (Vegetarian)	Cauliflower Bites & Diced Potatoes	Pizza Muffin	Vegetable Sausage	Cheese & Tomato Pasta	Vegan Sausage Roll
Option 3 (Light Bite)	Egg Mayo Bap	Cheese & Cucumber Wrap	Tuna & Mayo & Lettuce Sandwich	Ham & Tomato Bap	Cheese Bap
Option 4	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Carbohydrate / Vegetables	Mixed Vegetables	Pasta, Green Beans & Carrots	Roast or Mash Potato Seasonal Veg & Gravy	Rice, Naan Bread & Sweetcorn	Crispy Chips, Pasta, Peas & Ketchup
Salad	Garden Salad	Green Salad	Classic Salad	Crispy Salad	Diced Pepper Salad
Dessert	Warm Pancakes with Syrup	Apple Custard Cake	Ice Cream or Cheese & Crackers	Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce	Banana Loaf

Non-Uniform Days

We have 2 upcoming non-uniform days:

Monday 9th February - Children are invited to "Come as Yourself" to celebrate Children's Mental Health Week. (No donations asked for on this day)

Friday 13th February – Children are invited to bring in a £1 donation and wear "Something Red" to celebrate Valentines Day.



Netball Success for St Mary's!

Our netball teams recently enjoyed a fantastic day of competition, showing great teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout. Both teams represented St Mary's brilliantly and did the school proud. We are delighted to share that one of our teams has qualified to represent Torridge in the next round — an excellent achievement! Well done to all the pupils involved for their effort and enthusiasm, and for making it such an enjoyable and successful day.



Long Term Dates for the Diary

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

Wednesday 18th March – Open Classrooms

Thursday 19th March – Moorhens Act of Worship

19th & 20th March – Year 4 Residential Trip

8th-10th June – Year 5 Residential Trip

12th June – Year 6 Leavers Photos

6th-8th July – Year 6 Residential Trip

Breakfast Club

Due to rising costs, we have had to make the difficult decision to stop serving hot food during Breakfast Club. This has meant that we are able to keep the cost at £1 per session. The kitchen team are still offering a range of healthy, delicious breakfast choices, giving students a great start to their day.

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalm 119 v105