

St Mary's News

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10th January
2020

Tuesday 4th
February 2020
3.30pm

YR1 phonics
Meeting in YR 1

Thursday 6th
February 2020
2.50pm
Year 5
Assembly

Dear Parents and Carers,

I trust that you all had a happy Christmas break and that 2020 has started well for you and your family.

Its been a busy start to the term and both staff and children have settled back in, as if we have never been away!

I am extremely pleased to share with you some fantastic news. A double celebration!

On 22nd December Miss Claire Wood our business manager gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Olivia, weighing 7lbs. Both mother and baby are doing extremely well.

On 27th December Mrs Leyla Skinner our Year 2 teacher had a gorgeous baby boy called Georgie. He weighed in at a whopping 8lb 12oz. They are also well.

I'm sure you will join me in wishing them many congratulations as they start a very new but exciting chapter of their lives. We hope they will pop in and see us soon.



Olivia



Georgie

Have a great weekend.

Mrs O'Brien
Headteacher



Prayer and reflection

As we are all celebrating the start of the new year and looking forward to a new start and the joy 2020 will bring there are some people who are not so fortunate.

As you will have seen on the television Australia is currently experiencing their worst bush fires in history, destroying homes, habitats, farmlands and wildlife.

Please take some time to pray for the people that have lost loved ones, homes and businesses in this tragedy. In addition lets recognise the hero's that are fighting these fires, many of them volunteers and the devastation to the land and wildlife of their beautiful country.

Almighty and loving God,

Be with the people in Australia, now in the midst of catastrophic bushfires. We ask you O God to take over and release your power to help.

Look compassionately upon those who put their complete trust in You and make Yourself real to those who do not believe so they too, may have faith.

We pray for all the lives lost, homes destroyed, lands burnt to the grounds, and livelihoods gone. We pray for all the firefighters and volunteers for their strength to be renewed. We also lift up to you those who struggle with despair and unbelief in these trying times.

Provide a place of refuge and provision for everyone. Encourage us all in knowing that your sanctuary of love is eternal. We humbly ask that you hear our prayers Almighty Father, in the name of your most precious son, Jesus,

Amen



CELEBRATIONS

N	N/A
R	MIAH-MAE
1	SAM
2	JOYCELYN
3	CHLOE-ANN
4	LUCIANA
5	FREDDIE
6	AAMARA

“Headteachers’ stars of the week are given to pupils who have demonstrated that they are living out our school values. This is celebrated with a special tea party.”



“Celebrating children's skills and knowledge . Awards chosen by specialist teachers and staff.”

SPANISH	J'NIYAH-- YR 2
MUSIC	ANNABEL-YR 5
PE	IVOR-YR 2

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY AWARDS

Class	Attendance %	Rank	Number of lates (punctuality)	Rank
R	95.33	6TH	5	5TH
1	97.12	4TH	3	2ND
2	91.01	7TH	4	4TH
3	95.63	5TH	5	5TH
4	99.57	1ST	8	7TH
5	97.24	3RD	1	1ST
6	98.29	2ND	3	2ND



Attendance winners
YR 4



Punctuality winners
YR 5

“ Good attendance and punctuality is a large factor in positive outcomes for children. Lets all aim to be here every day and on time. Missing school = Missing learning. ”

PUPIL POST

WRITTEN BY THE PUPILS FOR THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Welcome back to another edition of Pupil Post. We hope that you all had a wonderful holiday and a happy New Year! We certainly did. We were all reluctant to get up on Monday morning but it is good to be back. Classes across the school have been starting their new learning topics, some of which sound amazing. With year 6 doing Evolution and inheritance, early years are doing transport, our learning this term will be extremely jam-packed.

We have both been thinking about our New Year resolutions and have come up with a few of our own:

1. To have a quote at the end of each Pupil Post
2. To help even more around the school
3. To be kind to our siblings

Have you thought about your New Year resolutions? New Year's resolutions are so important as they help with doing the right things throughout the year. Maybe one of yours could be to donate to the food bank every once in a while, because even a little bit of help can be a big difference.

'When given the choice between being right and being kind, choose kind.'

Taken from the novel *Wonder*, written by RJ Palacio.

By Isabel & Zara

The Bivvi Bag Project



The Bivvi Bag Project is a great way of helping those that are in need, as well as recycling old crisp packets.

The crisp packets are cleaned and ironed together to make an insulated inner blanket for the homeless and rough sleepers.

It takes approximately 150 crisps packets to make 1 blanket.

PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT BY SPREADING THE WORD AND DEPOSITING YOUR USED CRISP PACKET

IN THE BOX LOCATED BY THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Please note that school continues to promote healthy eating so please identify your healthy snacks that are bagged similar to crisps e.g. rice cakes or popcorn.

Social media age restrictions

It's becoming increasingly common for school to receive complaints from parents about children in the school using social media inappropriately. Please can parents note that children at St Mary's should not be accessing any social media sites (other than the 3 identified below). Please review what your child is accessing on their phones, computers and tablets.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

