

NEWSLETTER

13th June 2025

Clubs

Day	Club
Monday	Knitting (4.30pm finish)
Tuesday	Tennis (4.30pm finish)
Wednesday	French Football – No Football Class 3 TT Rockstars (4.30pm finish)
Thursday	Photography (4.30pm finish) Cricket (4.30pm finish)
Breakfast club daily	From 7.30am
After school club daily	Until 5.30pm

FAB AWARDS

★ James

★ Jack

★ Edie

★ Lacey

♥ Joshua

♥ Annie

♥ Holly

♥ Alice

**Children achieving
100% this week
across school**

94.6%

Quick glance dates...

JUNE	Event
16 th -18 th	Class 4 residential
20 th	Sports Day & Summer Fayre
24 th	School class photos
JULY	
2 nd	Transition Day (Info to follow)
10 th	SUMMER DISCO (Info to follow)

This week we wish Happy Birthday to...

Dara and Esther



This week at St Mary's...

This week in collective worship we heard the story about an women from the bible who approached Jesus and washed his feet with his tears. Jesus forgave her sins knowing that she was truly sorry and how thankful she would be.

Across school there have been many exciting events happening. Year 5 visited Sconce & Devon park in Newark to learn about safety, Class 3 went on a village walk, learning many things about the history of Edwinstowe and It was wonderful to see so many family members join us for a morning of fun and games on Friday to celebrate Fathers Day. We hope you enjoyed the time with us. Next week the adventures continue with Residential and Sports Day!

House Leaderboard



Oak

270



Birch

245



Pine

265



Willow

230

Our week in photos!

Reminder that photos accessed on Class Dojo are not to be shared on any social media.



SPORTS DAY 2025

20th June from 12pm

SPORTS DAY INFO EMAILED TO PARENTS – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Timings:

11.50am – School gates opened for parents

12pm – Children join parents for a picnic lunch

12.50pm – Children return to classrooms to be registered

1pm – Children gather outside for races to begin

Approx 3pm – Children return to classrooms; parents collect children from class doors as usual

SPORTS DAY RUNNING ORDER

All children will be competing to score points for their teams and will complete 3 events each.

1. Running races
2. Teddy Race
3. Egg and Spoon
4. Hurdle race
5. Sack race
6. Beanbag race
7. Javelin
8. Relay races

DON'T FORGET YOUR CASH!

Please support our Friends of St Mary's summer Fayre. Our super Friends group raise vital funds that help pay for many extras in and around school for the children, such as; the yearly PANTO visit, Y6 Hoodies, summer disco & playground equipment.

Save the date...

Friends of St Mary's



Raffle Games
Teddy Tombola

Refreshments
Book Sale
Cash only...

MOKI is here!



We're thrilled to announce that Moki Bands have arrived in school! These special wristbands count children's steps during the school day, helping to motivate them to stay active.

The response from the children has been fantastic—they've really enjoyed seeing how many steps they take each day, and we've already noticed increased activity during break times.

Moki Bands are just one of the many ways we promote a healthy lifestyle. Through our PSHE and PE curriculum, we provide a broad and in-depth understanding of what it means to live healthily. Some of the key topics we explore include:

- Keeping safe
- Growing and changing
- Building resilience
- Identifying and managing risks
- Taking care of personal health and hygiene
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Making healthy choices around sleep, nutrition, and exercise

Together, these elements help equip our pupils with the knowledge and habits they need for lifelong health and wellbeing.

Rock On for Charity!

Something amazing has happened in a little town called Witney in England! Six very special guitars were given to an Oxfam charity shop – and they've just been sold for a whopping £12,660!

The guitars were kindly given by someone who wished to stay unnamed – they simply wanted to help. And help they did! These weren't just any old guitars. They were the kind that famous musicians, like Elvis Presley and Bob Dylan, used to play. One shiny black Gibson J-45, like Elvis', sold for £2,200! The volunteers at the shop were amazed. 'We knew they looked special,' said Chris Meadows, one of the helpers. 'But we didn't realise just how valuable



Pictured: An acoustic guitar. **Source:** Canva.

they were!' The guitars were sent to Ewbank's auction house, where lots of people bid money to buy them. All the money raised will help Oxfam do good things, like giving clean water, food, and education to people around the world.

Fun fact! *The world's largest guitar is over 13 metres long – that's bigger than a bus! And yes, you can really play it!*

All Aboard the Garden Ship!

A man in Norway had a very surprising start to his day when he woke up and found a huge ship had crashed into his garden! The cargo ship, which is as long as four football pitches, got stuck on land early in the morning, just metres away from Johan Helberg's house. Johan didn't hear it happen; he was fast asleep! It was his neighbour who saw the ship coming and rang the doorbell to warn him! 'The doorbell rang very early,' Johan said. 'I don't usually like to open the door at that time!' Luckily, no one was hurt, and Johan's house was safe. But it

was not the usual kind of visitor for a garden! Cargo ships carry large containers filled with goods, like toys, clothes or food, from one country to another across the sea.

Did you know some cargo ships travel for weeks or months without stopping?



Pictured: A cargo ship in the sea, not on land! **Source:** Canva.

What are some special or meaningful ways to remember someone?



My grandparents live in another country, so my mum and dad send them lots of photos of us so they can see us grow, even when we are not together. **Poppy**

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Offline Zone

The world's first public 'Offline Zone' has opened in a busy train station in the Netherlands. It's a space for people to enjoy each other's company and partake in activities that do not involve the internet, such as chatting, reading, and playing board games. The initiative is a collaboration between The Offline Club and health insurer, Zilveren Kruis, who believe the space will improve the mental health of people visiting the zone. Dutch social movement, The Offline Club, is creating and promoting screen-free public spaces and events, encouraging people to meet for screen-free fun. It also hosts digital detox retreats, for guests to unplug completely from the internet.



Pictured: Playing a board game. **Source:** Canva.

Describing the new 'Offline Zone', the group said, 'It's like a living room for everyone to share!' A recent survey, from the British Standards Institution (BSI), found that 46% of teenage respondents would answer yes to the question: 'Would you erase social media from the history books if you could?' 68% also said they felt worse when they spend too much time on social media!

Do you think it is important to have time away from screens?

Do you enjoy playing board games or reading books with friends?



Pictured: Book club. **Source:** Canva.

Youth Charity Takes Over Art Gallery

Last month, Suffolk youth charity, Level Two, took over a local art gallery! Their art exhibition showcased many different kinds of artwork created by children during sessions run by the charity. There was an open theme, but much of the work was inspired by nature. The children used paint, ink, clay, pencil and photography to express themselves. All funds raised from the exhibition at 142 Gallery in Felixstowe were donated to the charity, to help them continue offering a wide range of support and activities for school-aged children in the town and surrounding villages. Youth worker, Megan Pilcher, said, 'We are passionate about creating



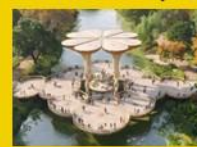
Pictured: A Level Two Youth Project meeting. **Source:** Level Two Youth Project on Facebook.

opportunities for young people that remove luck and allow anyone to participate.' Caitlin, who goes to Level Two every week and created several pieces for the exhibition, said, 'I use the music studio and also do painting in the art room. I've been able to focus more at school, and it breaks up my week better.' Monica, who used bubble wrap to create textured patterns on her colour paintings, said, 'I like to make things with all the stuff in the art room.'

Do you enjoy creating art?

Would you like to join an art club?

What are some special or meaningful ways to remember someone?



As a family we like to tell stories and share our happy memories to help us to remember.

Mattie

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TAKEHOME

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What do animals need to be happy and healthy in zoos?



In the news this week

Zoos, aquariums and safari parks in Great Britain will soon have to follow new rules to help them take better care of animals. These rules say that animals must have bigger and better spaces to live in. The changes will help many different animals, including elephants, stingrays, snowy owls and octopuses. Elephants, in particular, will be given much more room to move around and explore.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Have you ever visited a zoo? Talk to someone at home about their experience.
- > If you could design the perfect zoo, what would you include to keep the animals happy and healthy?
- > Do you think zoos help people care more about animals and nature? Why?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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