

ST MARY'S NEWS

St Mary's Catholic Primary School and Nursey, Southam | May 7th 2021



FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is NSPCC Number Day!

The children have enjoyed a fun day of maths activities and Dressed up for Digits in true style! Huge thanks goes to all for taking part in this special event, raising vital funds for the NSPCC. Everything the NSPCC does protects children today and prevents abuse tomorrow. The NSPCC needs our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital

services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern

This week we started the athletics club and the Wriggle project for Year 3. The children in year 3 were able to interview their senior person about World war II. Then on Thursday they started their choreographed dance with the dance teacher, all very exciting! If you haven't given your consent please do so before next week.

Unfortunately, our forest school sessions were called off for strong winds and rain. It didn't really materialise, but the children will get an extra session at the end. Well done to all those that brought appropriate wet weather gear, be aware that if your child is in unsuitable clothing they will not be able to take part. A final plea, is for all children to bring a coat each day as May is throwing up some unusual weather.

Mrs Price

THE SHORT WEEK, SHORT ISSUE...

We packed a lot in to four days!

ROBINS

This week Big Robins have been learning about halving in Maths so we used a cake to

introduce the concept which you can tell they absolutely loved!! We have welcomed some new Little Robins who have settled really well with us. Our other Robins have done such a good job at making them feel welcome and showing them the routines.

Outside we have been enjoying our brand new trikes, look at us go!



GOLDFINCHES

This week the children have been looking at maps of Southam and we are going on

a walk around town to see some of the interesting places. They have also drawn their own map symbol and played a game using directional language. We have just started learning about Pentecost too.

KS2 Clubs

We didn't let the rain stop us this week for the first **Outdoor Games Club!**

Unfortunately, we had to move the action indoors but still managed to work up a sweat! The children in Year 5 and 6 were brilliant competitors and we enjoyed several games of both bench-ball and dodgeball! Thank you so much to the fantastic Forgan sisters who ably set up the equipment for bench-ball and managed the game. And my goodness, Arabella Goode - your defence was terrifying! Well done all!

Introduction to Architecture, with resources supplied by the Royal Institute of British Architecture (RIBA) began in Y5/6 this week.

We are very excited to announce that, *building* on last year's success, our school has been chosen as one of only 8 primary schools nationwide to participate in RIBA Learning's new literacy project,

Reading Architecture, which was launched on World Book Day 2021 and aims to get Year 5 & Year 6 students to review existing children's books about architecture and the built environment.

Scarlett had this to say about Session 1, "I particularly valued the guidance offered for completing an informed review."

DIARY DATES

Every Friday
50p Fridays for FOSM



Wednesday, May 26
Class Photos

Wednesday, May 26
Sacrament of Reconciliation
(First Holy Communion cohort only)

Thursday, May 27
May Procession Y5/6

Friday, June 18
Skylarks Re-Treat Day

Thursday, July 1
Sports Afternoon

Wednesday, July 7
Moving Up Day (all classes)

Sunday July 11
First Holy Communion

PLEASE NOTE:
DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
More dates and details online at:
<https://stmaryssoutham.org.uk/events/>

Sun Safe & Family Health

Attached to this week's newsletter are:

- ★ the **May School's Health & Wellbeing newsletter**: packed with lots of great ideas on the theme of nature and its impact on wellbeing (definitely one to keep for half term!)
- ★ and this week is **Sun Safety Week** (ironically!). However, for when the sun *does* make a prolonged appearance follow the Slip, Slop, Slap, Slide Shade guide.

HOUSE POINTS

St Patrick 76

St George 59

St David 57

St Andrew 51



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