



Friday 19th May 2023

# ST MARY'S NEWS

The latest news from St Mary's CE VC First School

## KEY DATES

**Thursday 25th May - 9am**

Linden Class Assembly

**Friday 26th May**

Final day of term

**Mon 29th May to Fri 2nd June**

Half Term Holidays

**Monday 5th June**

First day of term

**Wed 14th June - 7:30pm**

New Parents' Evening

**Thursday 15th June - 9am**

Beech Class Assembly

**Monday 19th June - 9am**

Potted Sports Morning

**W/C Monday 19th June**

New-Reception Home Visits

**Thursday 22nd June - 9am**

Oak Class Assembly

**Mon 26th to Wed 28th June**

**3:30pm - 4:30pm**

New Reception Inductions

**Friday 30th June**

Reports home to parents

**Tues 4th & Wed 5th July**

Parent-Teacher Consultations

**Thursday 6th July**

DASP Transfer Day

**Sunday 9th July**

Charminster Family Fun Day

**Monday 10th July - 1:15pm**

Sports Afternoon

**Thursday 13th July - 1:30pm**

DASP Citizen Awards

**Thursday 20th July - 9:15am**

Leavers' Service

**Friday 21st July**

Last Day of Term

**Mon 24th July to Thurs 31st Sep**

Summer Holidays

**Friday 1st September**

INSET Day

## Note from Mr Homer

On Tuesday morning, we were joined by Reverend Leila for our first ever 'Rogation Service'. Rogation invites people to ask for a particular place to be blessed. We started with a short service in the school hall before walking to the four extremities of our land, scattering wildflower seeds and asking for God's blessing on our school and our community.



Later in the day, our Year Four children boarded a coach to Poole Lighthouse where they were amazed by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra. All of the children (and adults!) had a fantastic time listening to the orchestra and joining in with a song or two! A huge thank you to Mrs Joy and Miss Thornicroft for providing our children with this fantastic opportunity.

On Thursday morning, we were treated to a wonderful class assembly by Willow class. They taught us all about the life cycle of a butterfly, entertaining us with their singing, dancing, speaking and artwork. Rumour has it that it was officially the world's cutest class assembly!

On the next page, you will find details of our upcoming visit from Maddi Tarrant who achieved a silver medal in trampoline gymnastics at the 2019 World Championships, aged just 15! As well as showcasing her skills to inspire our children, Maddi will be guiding the children through a fitness challenge, which we ask them to collect sponsors for. Please follow the link on the next page to help us raise money for our school and unsponsored athletes.

Have a marvellous weekend!

Mr Homer



Sports For Champions®

Psst! Have you heard the news?  
On 9<sup>th</sup> June we have got a double mini-trampoline athlete coming to visit our school!

Maddi Tarrant achieved a silver medal at the World Championships in 2019 aged just 15! Not only will she show us some of her skills, she will also help each class to complete a fitness challenge.



So how does this work?

In order to raise money for both the school and to help unsponsored athletes, we ask that you try to collect some sponsors for completing the fitness circuit challenge.

Click on the link to help us to raise some money...  
<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/stmaryscofefirstschool>

# COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



Our focus for collective worship this half term is 'Friendship'.

This week's BIG QUESTION is:

**What are the signs of friendship?**



**ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Our school attendance for this academic year is currently:

**94.6%**

Last week's winners were...



**Regular events at St Mary's in Term Time (for families and adults)**



Tuesdays:

9am to 12noon - T@SM (Community Café) in church  
3pm to 4pm - T@SM afterschool session in Community Centre  
4.30pm to 6pm - 4UP! Youth Group (year 4's upwards)

Wednesdays:

11am - Choir (open to all)  
2.30pm - Prayer Group

Thursdays:

8.40am to 9.40am - School Run Café for parents and tots

Sundays:

11am - Main Service (+ Sunday School or Activity Corner for young children)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month - Evensong (timings in the Pilot)  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month, Sept to May - 4pm - Messy Church



ST MARY'S CHARMINSTER SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

**Funky Friday**  
**26th May 2023**  
**Odd Socks**

Wear funky or odd socks and donate an unwanted gift in aid of Fun Day

This Week's *Cracking Caterpillars*



**Congratulations!**



**SPORTS**  
**EXPLORERS**



# SPORTS CAMP

**MAY HALF  
TERM**

**YR 1 TO 4**

9 AM - 3:30 PM

EARLY AND LATE DROP OFF  
AVAILABLE

8AM - 4:30PM

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# This week in pictures



Have a lovely weekend



# Are you concerned about a pupil?

If you are worried about a child,  
you must share your concern without delay.



**Mick Homer**

Headteacher

**Designated  
Safeguarding Lead**



**Lisa Thornicroft**

Teacher & SENDCo

**Deputy Designated  
Safeguarding Lead**



**Karen Bennett**

Parent Support Advisor

**Deputy Designated  
Safeguarding Lead**

**Our Safeguarding Governor is Reverend Pene Kennedy**

If you are concerned about a child's welfare or worried they  
are being abused, you can make a referral directly to:

**Dorset's Children's Advice and Duty Service**  
Call: 01305 228866

In an emergency, or if you believe a child is at  
immediate risk of harm, call the police on 999.