



# St Mary and St Peter's Church School News



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## Head's Update...

Dear Parents and Carers,

We want to thank you all for your support this week for helping us to reduce bugs in school.

Handwashing and additional cleaning is in place in school to reduce the spread of Scarlet Fever, however two staff, including myself have been out of school due to the condition and we currently have children off school who are symptomatic.

If you have any concerns regarding the condition, please do access the NHS website for information and if you suspect your child has symptoms, please do contact your GP.

I look forward to being back at school on Monday - have missed you all!



Best wishes,  
Connel Boyle

Executive Headteacher



## Animal Survival Investigation in Gruffalo Class

*Our Gruffalos have been investigating what animals need to survive.*

*This has also included finding out about habitats.  
Well done all!*



## Who would like to win a bike!!?

### The **BIG** Attendance Competition 2023/2024

Every child in the school whose attendance is 95% or more, will be entered into a draw on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

One lucky winner will win a bike!

**Our School attendance target is 95%**

**We are at 91.87%  
-0.50%**

**Hobbit Class current attendance 91.90%  
-0.49%**



**Gruffalo Class current attendance 91.82%  
-0.53%**





### Fridays Child

*Niamh Natalia*

### Headteacher's Award

*Oscar Callum  
Kyle Kimmy*



### Headteacher drop-in sessions

every Friday

9.30am- 10.00am

Mr Boyle is available for any parent to drop in to see him without the need for an appointment. Please do feel free to use this session to answer any queries you may have.

### Friday Family Assemblies

*Every Friday at 9.05am*

### Hobbit Class

### "Frozen Kingdoms"

On Monday, Hobbits spent the day exploring Antarctica to start our new topic – Frozen Kingdoms. We learnt about the first female crew to trek to the South Pole called the Ice Maidens and what it was like to complete the expedition.

We then worked in groups to complete team building tasks, design our own base camp, create a kit list of essentials and problem solve scenario cards.



Our thanks to this term's KS2 Class Book Sponsor of *The Wolf Wilder* by Katherine Rundell which supports our topic Frozen Kingdoms. We are so grateful for continued local business support for our school.

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## What was your child's attendance for the Autumn term?

Your child's Attendance		How many days your child has fallen behind their friends...	If your child is regularly late by...	Over a year, your child has lost...
100%		0 Days	5 minutes...	3 DAYS LOST
95%		9 DAYS BEHIND	10 minutes...	6.5 DAYS LOST
90%		19 DAYS BEHIND	15 minutes...	10 DAYS LOST
85%		28 DAYS BEHIND	20 minutes...	13 DAYS LOST
80%		38 DAYS BEHIND	25 minutes...	19.5 DAYS LOST

Your child will never catch up this learning. As a school we can only make up missed learning for between 5 and 9 days a year. We do try, but cannot work miracles!

### Diary Dates:

- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January - Christingle Service
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Last Day of Term
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - First Day of Term
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Hobbit Class Residential -  
**REMINDER - Deposit due by 31<sup>st</sup> January.**
- **FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY - 95%+ ATTENDANCE WIN A BIKE DRAW**



The school calendar for 2023 to 2024 can be found under the Parents Tab, listed as Term Dates. Go to: [www.stmaryandstpeters.co.uk](http://www.stmaryandstpeters.co.uk)