



St Mary and St Peter's Church School News



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Head of School Update...

Dear Parents and Carers,

I just wanted to say a very big thank you for all the donations towards our outdoor learning environment. We have had lots of materials we can use to continue to develop our own area. If you have any other materials to donate, it would be greatly appreciated.

We are having another big push on reading and need your help! Children will be setting themselves reading challenges for the week and we are encouraging children to read every day to meet those challenges. By the end of Year 6 we aim for children to be able to read 90 words per minute to build stamina and fluency. Any support you can provide reading with your child would be fantastic!

There is a change of date for our PFSA team to join us. Jemma will now be joining us on **Tuesday 10th February** from 8:30am. If you are interested in catching up with Jemma, please let me know or just catch her on the gate

Best wishes,

Kirsey Luffman
Head of School



**Our School
attendance
target is
95%
We are at
92.75%**

**Hogwarts
Class current
attendance**

**92.99%
+0.11%**

**Gruffalo Class
current
attendance**

**92.30%
+1.43%**

Congratulations
to this week's
winners!

Headteacher's Award
Tommy and Dakota
Archie and Logan L

Friday's Child
Isla and Esme

Attendance Superstars!

Isla	Bella	George
Tommy	Charlotte	Dakota
Noah	Logan A	Deacon
Logan L	Kimmy	Kyle
Zara	Esme	Lucas
Nadine	Yennifer	Archie
Joseph	Kayne	Jack
Willow	Emelia	Hettie

Head of school drop-in sessions

As I work between both schools, I am mindful that I am not always around for drop-in sessions. Please do contact the office if you would like to meet with me if I am not on site and I will get a meeting booked in as soon as possible.

Friday Family
Assemblies

Every Friday at 2.45pm

Gruffalo Class

Gruffalo class have had a fantastic week learning about portraits. Year 1 and year 2 have learnt about the different symbols used in royal portraits for example Henry VIII always had a dagger to show that he was dangerous and Queen Elizabeth always wore expensive clothes to show she was wealthy. Reception have explored creating their own self portraits using charcoal. In English we have started to plan our own new adventure stories where we have changed the Magic bed to a new piece of furniture. We have had magical TVs, rugs and even cupboards taking us to new and exciting worlds. We cannot wait to share our stories with you all next week!

Hogwarts Class

Hogwarts have been working on building suspense within their writing using the text 'The Black Dog' as inspiration. We have been working hard on our arithmetic skills as well! We enjoyed starting a dance unit linked to our topic of Rivers and Mountains and can't wait to see where our creativity takes us! We designed and carried out an experiment in science, exploring changes of state. We designed a hypothesis and accurately recorded our results in a graph.

Diary Dates:

Friday 30th January - Forest School morning

Monday 9th February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 10th February - Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 10th February - PFSA Meet 8.30am

Friday 13th February - Forest School morning / Last day of term

Parents Evening TBC

The school calendar for 2025 / 2026 can be found
under the Parents Tab, listed as Term Dates.

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