



St. Mary's CE Primary School, Welham Green

# NEWSLETTER

## FROM THE HEADTEACHER

The highlight of the week for me this week has to be the ten pupils in the choir singing at the Songs of Praise on Sunday afternoon in St Mary's Church, as part of this year's North Mymms Arts Festival. They did so well singing without any words and confidently performed 'Autumn Days' to the congregation. They were a real credit to the school and it is hopefully the start of something positive for the musical life of St Mary's. They are going to be performing again at the Harvest Festival on Tuesday afternoon.

In Sport, our football team participated in a tournament at De Havilland School yesterday afternoon and, although they didn't win, they drew against some of the other teams and Mrs Egerton and Mr Kilpatrick reported how well they had done and how much potential they have as a team. We look forward to sporting success in the future too!

It has been a very busy week at St Mary's and a great deal has been happening as we approach half term. This afternoon, I accompanied Reception on their Woodland Walk, where they investigated the woods next to the school: it was lovely to see the excitement and enjoyment on their faces as they explored and waded through muddy puddles!

Attendance this week has been really positive with all of our classes achieving more than 92%, five of our seven classes achieving more than 95% and four classes achieving 96% and above - well done to everyone and please let's keep this up!

Next week is just two days and culminates in our Harvest Festival Service in St Mary's Church at 1.15pm on Tuesday afternoon. We very much hope that many of our parents and carers will be able to join us for this celebration.

As we come into the final days of this half term with the focus on our half termly value of hope and mindful of our Harvest celebration next week, I will leave you with a quote from Robert Louis Stevenson:

*"Don't judge each day by the Harvest you reap, but by the seeds that you plant."*

Have a good weekend — I look forward to seeing some of you at the PTA Quiz Night tonight — and a good half term when it arrives next week.

**Adrian Petty**

**Headteacher**

Autumn Term Issue 7  
18th October 2024



*Flourish for the future*

Our value this half term is:

# Hope



Contact us 8:30am to 4pm at...



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# HOUSEPOINTS



I am pleased to report that House Points this week were as follows:

**202**

**187**

**166**

**167**



**Well done Badgers!**

**1220**

**1200**

**1182**

**1015**

## STARS OF THE WEEK

The following children were nominated and joined Mr Petty on the Star Table at lunchtime today.

**Reception - Teddie**

**Year 1 - Taylor**

**Year 2 - Max**

**Year 3 - Mohammed**

**Year 4 - Nancy**

**Year 5 - Jayin**

**Year 6 - Maita**

**Congratulations to all these children.**

## ATTENDANCE STARS

**Hawking 96.9%** 🙇

**Elizabeth 96.4%** 🙇

**Luther King 96.1%** 🙇

**Curie 96%** 🙇

**Donaldson 95.6%** 😄

**Attenborough 92.6%** 😄

**Mandela 92.4%** 😄

# SCHOOL DIARY



Date	Event
Monday 21st October	Netball Match Stanborough School (Invitation only)
Tuesday 22nd October	Harvest Festival—St Mary's Church 1:15pm
Wednesday 23rd October	Inset Day—School Closed
Thursday 24th October	Inset Day—School Closed
Friday 25th October	Inset Day—School Closed
28th October—1st November	Half Term
Monday 11th November	Remembrance Day Commemoration
Wednesday 20th November	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 22nd November	Arts Afternoon—3:30pm
Monday 2nd December	Carol Singing Hatfield Asda—3:30pm
Thursday 5th December	Teddy Bears Concert 2pm
Friday 6th December	PTA Christmas Fayre Elfridges (In School—Children only)
Thursday 12th December	Reception Christmas Nativity 2pm
Friday 13th December	Rock Steady Concert
Friday 13th December	PTA Cake Sale 2:30pm
Tuesday 17th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Production 10am and 2pm
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch Day
Thursday 19th December	Carol Service - 10am St Mary's Church

## CLASS PE DAYS

<b>Elizabeth - Year 1</b>	Tuesdays & Fridays
<b>Curie - Year 2</b>	Wednesdays & Thursdays
<b>Hawking - Year 3</b>	Mondays & Thursdays
<b>Mandela - Year 4</b>	Tuesdays & Thursdays
<b>Attenborough - Year 5</b>	Mondays & Wednesdays
<b>Luther King - Year 6</b>	Mondays & Fridays

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We are a welcoming Christian community where every child has the chance to flourish.

We bring and share joy, inspire daily and creatively equip children for the future.

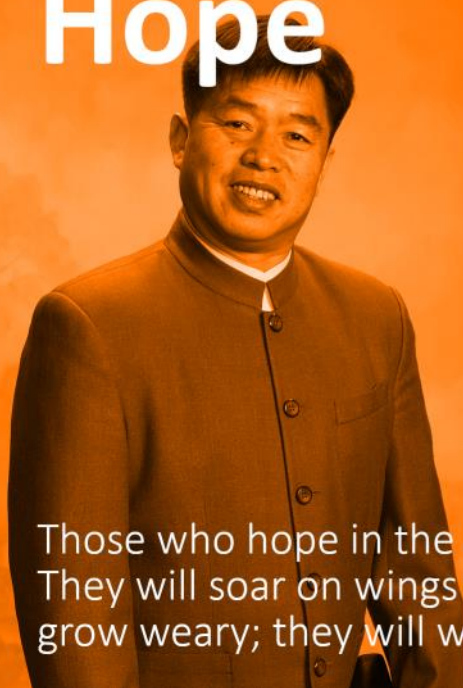
We're thankful for all that God has provided; proud of where He has placed us; and excited at the potential to come.

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The Brother Yun Award for

# Hope



*"Overflowing with thankfulness,  
inspiration and joy"*

Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.  
They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint. (Isaiah 40:31)

## Prayer of the Week

If hope at times

is hard to hold

You are still God

If dreams are dashed

desires delayed,

You are still God

Still me, God, to know you

Amen.

## Reception - Donaldson

This week in Donaldson class, in Maths, we have been continuing to learn about measure and patterns. The children have a good understanding of different patterns and how to make them by drawing and using different resources. In phonics we have been learning the sounds W, X, Y and Z, then practising writing these letters correctly. The children really enjoyed carving the pumpkin and then scooping the seeds out with their hands. We then used the remaining seeds and pumpkin juice and put them into the water play, where the children explored the different textures. The children loved going on a walk to the woods to explore the Autumn environment. They found lots of leaves and some conkers which, we brought back to school to explore. We were so pleased and proud of ourselves that we won the best attendance in the school last week. We loved having Attendance Ted with us this week as part of our reward.



## Year 1 - Elizabeth

In Elizabeth class this week we have been thinking about the changing seasons. On Thursday we went for an autumn walk and observed all of the beautiful colours. We took photos of what we found and had a nature hunt to see how many signs of autumn we could find. In English we have been planning a short story about our own naughty toy, inspired by the book, 'Naughty Bus'. We have had great fun thinking of all the adventures our toys might get up to! In RE, we have been thinking about Harvest Festival and all of the things we are grateful for in our lives. We are looking forward to performing our Harvest song at Church on Tuesday. Well done on a super week of learning Year 1.



## Year 2 - Curie

The class have had a busy week and have been working hard in all their subjects. Keep up the great work.

In Maths, we are continuing with addition and subtraction. The class have practised adding different numbers to make ten. They have also been using tens frames and counters to add three single digits and working out the answer. Well done!

In English, the remainder of the lessons are going to be used for the class to write up and edit their story of Baby Bear meeting Goldilocks many years later as adults. We have been using story sentence starters and writing different ideas on the flipchart to form their paragraphs. We are looking forward to seeing their finished stories. Amazing effort.

In PSHE, there has been a heavy focus on discussing the Learning Charter. We have been discussing the rewards and consequences and how we can create a safe and fair culture in our class. The children have drawn posters that illustrated positive behaviour in the classroom.

A huge thanks to all the Curie class team who have helped the children to flourish in everything they do.

Have a relaxing half term break.



## Year 3 - Hawking

This week we have been doing addition and subtraction with three digit numbers in Maths with our amazing teacher. We get lots of new jobs on a weekly basis. In English we have been reading a book called Leon and the place between Graham Baker Smyth and yesterday we planned our own story. When we write our own story, we are going to publish in our new St Mary's publishing book. In reading we are reading a book called Arthur and the Golden rope and have been finding words in the dictionary and thesaurus. It's really fun in art we were painting with different patterns and brushes in our book. In French, we are learning 10 different colours and numbers.

*By George C*



## Year 4 - Mandela

In Mandela class this week we have been writing a narrative about climate change this has been linked to our English writing book, The Ever Changing Earth. In PE we have been growing our netball skills, this week we played the shooting game Tutti Fruity. We have also continue learning about coding in computing by designing our own programme using IF/ELSE statements. We have really enjoyed linking PE to our Art lessons by making pictures which make the player seem as if they are moving. We have had an exciting start to Year 4 this half term and are looking forward to the next one.



## Year 5 - Attenborough

*Written by Izzy and David*

This week, in Year 5, we have learnt about factors, prime numbers and square numbers in Maths. In English, we have been writing biographies about Philippe Petit .In Science we have been making planet books, to show what we have learnt this half term. We made posters of how Christians celebrate and worship God in RE .We have learnt how to say new words about family during our French topic also in guided reading we have been reading our book, Cosmic and we are half way through the book. In P.E we all played a match of basketball, there were four teams and it was really fun. Also, some boys left for the football tournament against De Havilland to support our school. In PSHE we talked about children rights and played a funny game. As we end this week, we are very sad and will miss him dearly, goodbye our dear friend Jayin.



## Year 6 - Luther King

We have been practising short division in Maths. We have been learning how to use the bus stop method. In English we have been focusing on our class book called “Leila and the Blue Fox” and started writing a blog on Leila’s life lessons. We have been working on light and eyesight in Science. In History, we have been learning about WW2 and how the devastating war started. Year 6 has been a great experience this week.

*Maita and Max*





*North Myrms  
Arts Festival*

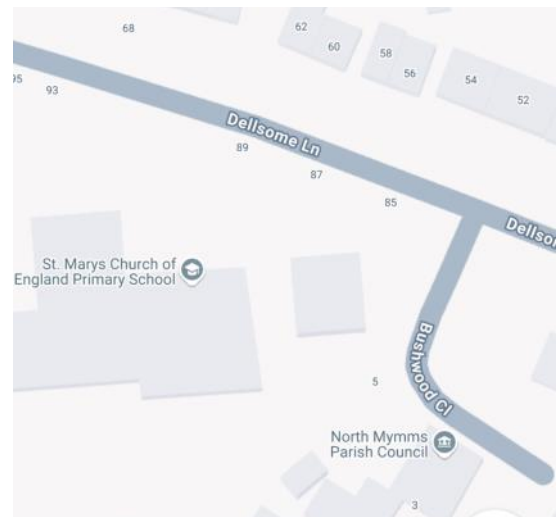


*St Mary's Football  
Team*

*An Autumn  
morning at St Mary's!*

*Please be reminded that once your child has been collected from their classroom, it is your responsibility to supervise them, even whilst you are on school grounds. The children are not to climb on the climbing frames after school.*

The Parish Car Park, next to our school will be locked daily at 4:30pm! Please ensure your car is not left in there as it will be locked in.



We do not accept cash payments. If you are unable to pay via the Arbor App, please ask the office for our bank details, to pay via bank transfer.



A reminder that your child's lunch account should not be in arrears. Meals must be paid for daily, or in advance.

If you are unable to meet these requirements, please send your child to school with a healthy packed lunch.

Please follow the procedures below if your child is off school for any reason.

Please contact the school daily before 08.30am if your child is off sick with the reason of the absence. To leave a message on the phone, use option 1 and hang up once your message is complete. All contact details are on the first page of the Newsletter.

Where possible, appointments for routine medical and dental purposes, should be made outside of school hours.

If your child has a medical appointment in school hours, you may be required to submit a copy of the medical confirmation documentation to the email address below. Also please state the time of collection from school, expected time of returning to school or if your child is off for the whole day.

If your child has transport arranged, either to/from school, it is your responsibility to contact the transport company to inform them of the absence and the expected date of the child's return to school.

Attendance is important to school learning and is disruptive to the student if they are kept off school for any reason and, in particular, we do not expect that holidays will be taken in term time. Regular attendance is important to achieve the best for all our students.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated with this matter.

Age 3yrs-12yrs old

Oct half term Holidays

28<sup>th</sup> Oct – 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 24



Cranborne Primary School

Laurel Fields, Potters Bar  
Hertfordshire, EN6 2BA

8.00am to 6.00pm



HOLIDAY CLUB

Book Now:

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Telephone: 07392 358 574

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- £35 for siblings
- £23 half day (Morning or Afternoon)
- £175 full week (Monday - Friday)

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28th October – 1st November 2024

	AM		PM	
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Weds	Crafty Creations	Mission Impossible	Sublime Slime	Fun Fit
Thurs	Messy Mayhem	Wacky Races	Cupcake Heaven	Athletics
Fri	Beauty School	Football Camp	Halloween Party	

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Oct Half term Holidays

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Woodside Primary School

Jones Road, Goffs Oak  
Waltham Cross, EN7 5JS

8.00am to 6.00pm



HOLIDAY CLUB

Book Now:

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[goffsoakoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk](mailto:goffsoakoffice@funfestholidayclub.co.uk)

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Potters Bar Theatre Company presents



**Book and Lyrics by** Debbie Isitt      **Music by** Debbie Isitt and Nicky Ager  
**Orchestrations by** George Dyer

**20th - 24th November 2024**  
at 7.30pm. Saturday and Sunday Matinee at 2.30pm

**Wyllyotts Theatre**  
Potters Bar, EN6 2HN

**01707 645005 [www.wyllyottstheatre.co.uk](http://www.wyllyottstheatre.co.uk)**

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International  
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI  
[www.mtishows.co.uk](http://www.mtishows.co.uk)



Every child in every school has one Christmas wish, to star in a Nativity, and at St Bernadette's School they're attempting to mount a musical version! Only trouble is, teacher Mr Maddens has promised that a Hollywood producer is coming to see the show to turn it into a film. Join him, his teaching assistant the crazy Mr Poppo, hilarious children and a whole lot of sparkle and shine as they struggle to make everyone's Christmas wish come true.

**Box Office:**  
01707 645005  
[www.wyllyottstheatre.co.uk](http://www.wyllyottstheatre.co.uk)

We always recommend booking in advance to avoid disappointment!

	Adult	Family Ticket* (2 Adults 2 Children)	Child**
Wednesday 20th November - 7:30pm	£22	£76	£19
Thursday 21st November - 7:30pm	£22		£19
Friday 22nd November - 7:30pm	£22		£19
Saturday 23rd November - 2:30pm	£22		£19
Saturday 23rd November - 7:30pm	£22	£76	£19
Sunday 24th November - 2:30pm	£22		£19

\*Family Ticket - Available Wednesday and Saturday Evening ONLY \*\* Child - Under 18s

**Wyllyotts Theatre**  
Wyllyotts Place, Darkes Lane  
Potters Bar, Herts, EN6 2HN

**Parking** - Adjoins building, free after 6.30pm.  
PayByPhone app available



Find the Wyllyotts Theatre



[www.pottersbartheatrecompany.co.uk](http://www.pottersbartheatrecompany.co.uk)

**Organised by Friends of St Mary's Welham Green**

**CASH PRIZE FOR 1ST PLACE**



**£10  
PER  
PERSON**

# QUIZ NIGHT

**@ ST MARY'S SCHOOL**

**Dellsome Lane, Welham Green AL9 7NE**

**FRIDAY 18TH OCTOBER**

**DOORS OPEN AT 7PM**

**QUIZ STARTS AT 7:30PM**

**QUIZMASTER - MR PETTY**

**BRING YOUR OWN  
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# North Mymms Arts Festival

12th - 18th October 2024

## Events



### PREVIEW EVENING

Friday 11th October 6 - 8.30pm

Come along and enjoy the exhibition with a glass of bubbly and snacks.

Tickets £10 from Ticketsource or on the door.



### MUSICAL CAFE SESSION

Saturday 12th October 2 - 4pm

Listen to live music from talented young musicians, while you enjoy the exhibition.

Just come along, included in exhibition ticket price.



### SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday 13th October at 4.30pm

Music from local school children

Free event, just come along



### ART WORKSHOPS

Tuesday 15th October 10am or 1.30pm

A two hour session creating images using shape and pattern to make designs for Christmas, led by tutor Robin Elgar

Tickets £15 from Ticketsource or the church office.



### BUCK BRASS CONCERT

Friday 18th October at 7pm

A fabulous concert by the Buck Brass Quartet

Tickets £15 from Ticketsource or on the door.

Search "North Mymms" at [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk)  
or use the QR Code

