

# Boston St Mary's RC Primary School

## DIARY DATES

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November

Y2 Swimming  
Y5 Bikeability Training

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Reception 2019 Intake Open Morning, drop in session 9.30-11.30am

### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Y4 Class Mass

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am  
Y6 Remembrance Service, Boston Town War Memorial

### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November

Anti-bullying week  
Y2 Swimming

### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Y3 Class Mass

### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November

Y6 Boston High School Performance 12.45pm

### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am  
Children in Need, non-uniform

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November

Road Safety Week  
Y2 Swimming

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November

Y5 Magna Science Centre, Sheffield

### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

Y2 Class Mass

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Y2 Swimming

### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November

Y1 Class Mass  
Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

### Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am  
Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Y2 Swimming  
Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Y5 Class Mass

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Y2 Skegness Aquarium

### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am  
FOSM Christmas Market 3.30-5.30pm



### Y4 Class Mass

Y4 will be holding their Class Mass on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 9.15am, all parents welcome.

### Poppy Appeal

We will be selling Poppy Appeal items beginning this week, including keyrings, snap bands and bracelets. Items range from 50p to £1, and will be available on the school playground before and after school. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions to this worthy cause.

### Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to school on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November until Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, each afternoon from 3.30pm in the school hall. There will be lots of fantastic books (just in time for Christmas!) and a percentage of the money raised will go back to the school, to help us buy books for our own library. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Diary Dates

All school events for the academic year 2018/19 have been added to the school website, please visit [www.bostonstmarys.co.uk](http://www.bostonstmarys.co.uk) – click on the School News section - 'Calendar of School Events'.

### Bike Safety

As you are aware, the dark nights are drawing in and it is dusk when the children leave school. If your child comes to school on a bike, please ensure they have lights on their bike so they can be seen by other road users. Please also ensure they are wearing a helmet. The safety of our children coming to and from school is paramount.

SHINING LIGHTS AWARDS Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	
Year 1	Gabija Lacey
Year 2	Jake Rosalia
Year 3	Jude Sophie
Year 4	Brooke Lucy
Year 5	Amelia Patryk
Year 6	Amelia Oliwia

ATTENDANCE w/c 29/10/18	
Reception	95.6%
Year 1	98.3%
Year 2	96.7%
Year 3	97.1%
Year 4	98.6%
Year 5	98.4%
Year 6	91.3%
Whole School	96.6%

**Our attendance target is 97.5%**

### Free English Classes

Every Tuesday, we will be holding free English classes for parents and carers. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more English, improve your language skills and get help with things such as letters and appointments. It is also a great chance to meet other parents along with a cup of tea and a biscuit! Please come and join us!



## **CLASS NEWS**

### **Reception**

This week in EYFS we will be celebrating Bonfire night. In maths we will be learning all about size and comparing different objects. Through the week we will be learning about how to stay safe around fireworks. If you have any pictures of your bonfire night celebrations please upload these to your child's tapestry.

### **Year 1**

The children have loved getting ready for a Royal tea party at school so far in our Bright Lights Big City topic and have written letters to the queen and a menu for our tea party with the Queen's favourite jam sandwiches! This week we will continue our topic as we look more into the geography of the city of London and the differences between a town and the country in our story "The town mouse and the country mouse." Our RE will move on to the topic "waiting" as we find out what it would have been like for Mary and Joseph to wait for the baby Jesus to come on the countdown during advent. Don't forget to take a look at the school website where there are lots of photos of our learning so far this year.

### **Year 2**

This week in Year 2 we are continuing to look at poetry and are writing some nonsense poems about aliens and pirates. In maths we are looking at solving calculations and saying whether they are greater or less than each other by comparing them. In RE we are finishing our other faith week of Judaism and we will be beginning to look at our advent topic.

### **Year 3**

With the process of formal addition, subtraction, multiplication and division under their belt, Year 3 will be looking at ways to use this knowledge to solve mathematical word problems. They will also continue to study recounts in English. Every pupil in the class should now have their login details for the Times Tables Rockstars application. This is an online service that allows them to practise their times tables in an interactive environment, and it will give staff instant feedback as to how they are getting on. Each week, we will be able to set appropriate times tables for each child, depending on how they get on. It would be very helpful if they could try using this program at least a couple of times a week at home. It should be available on computers, tablets and mobile telephones at <https://play.ttrockstars.com>. If you type "Boston" in the "School" section, you should be able to find St. Mary's as you scroll down. If your child cannot access the internet at home, we might be able to arrange some sessions at school for them.

### **Year 4**

Look on the website at the photos of the Saxon boats we built as we set sail into our new topic about traders and raiders. We have already discovered so much about Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. This week, we will be completing timelines showing the key events between the year 400 and 1066. We will also be finding out what the monks, including St. Bede, thought about these invaders. We will continue with our Spanish lessons and complete our look at the Jewish holy scriptures. Please join us for our class mass at 9:10am in the hall on Wednesday morning.

### **Year 5**

This week in Maths we are going to be adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators. As the week progresses, we will be moving onto ordering and comparing fractions. In English we are going to be exploring Propaganda posters and will be creating our own. In Topic, we are going to be looking at the causes of the war and will also be creating artwork based around poppies. In RE we will be completing our last lesson on Judaism and will be answering our Big Question for our Advent topic.

### **Year 6**

A huge well done to Year 6 for their excellent behaviour on last week's trip to the WW2 museum – they asked lots of fantastic questions, and have learnt lots of new information to use in their learning over the next few weeks. In English, we'll be continuing to learn about evacuees as we write home to tell our parents about our host families, before experiencing an air raid and writing some setting descriptions. We carry on with our fractions learning this week and begin to learn how to multiply and divide proper fractions. In RE, we'll be looking at the Jewish commandments and the importance of Mitzvah Day. On Friday, we'll be walking in to town to take part in the town's Remembrance Day service – please make sure you have your coat with you.

### **Parent Pay**

Thank you to those who have already signed up to ParentPay - In an attempt to remove all cash and cheques from school we are asking all parents to sign up to ParentPay to pay for school trips, breakfast club etc. If you haven't already done so, please visit [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) and activate your account via the Account login area on the home page of the site. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you need assistance. Your support in using ParentPay will help the school enormously, thank you.

### **Twitter**

Our Twitter account is the best way to keep up to date with everything happening in school. Recently we have tweeted about upcoming events and even posted some children's fantastic learning online. Make sure you follow us on twitter @bostonstmarys. Did you know you do not need to have a Twitter account to view our tweets! You can see all tweets by clicking the link on our website [www.bostonstmarys.co.uk](http://www.bostonstmarys.co.uk) or at [twitter.com/bostonstmarys](https://twitter.com/bostonstmarys)

### **Hot School Meals**

Just a reminder, all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 can receive a hot school meal FREE EVERYDAY! A School meal provides children with a healthy varied and balanced diet providing the right amount of energy to ensure that your child can work better in the afternoons. If you would like your child to have hot school meals please come to the office where we will provide further information. Take a look at Ideal School Meal website for an idea of the meals they provide - [www.schoolmealsonline.co.uk](http://www.schoolmealsonline.co.uk) The deadline for ordering is a Monday for orders placed for the following week.