

St Mary's RC Primary Academy

DIARY DATES

Monday 26th November

Y2 Swimming

Tuesday 27th November

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

Wednesday 28th November

Y1 Class Mass

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

Thursday 29th November

Choir - Christmas Lights Boston 1pm

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

Friday 30th November

FOSM non-uniform day

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

Monday 3rd December

Y2 Swimming

Scholastic Book Fair 3.30pm

Tuesday 4th December

EYFS & Y1 Baytree Garden Centre, Spalding

Wednesday 5th December

Y5 Class Mass

Thursday 6th December

Y2 Skegness Aquarium

Friday 7th December

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

FOSM Christmas Disco 5-6.30pm

Monday 10th December

Y2 No Swimming

Whole school to Blackfriars Theatre to watch Aladdin

Wednesday 12th December

Y4 Class Mass

Nativity Play 2pm

Thursday 13th December

Nativity Play 6pm

Friday 14th December

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner Day

FOSM Christmas Market 3.30-5.30pm

Monday 17th December

Y2 Swimming

Tuesday 18th December

Y5 Class Liturgy

Wednesday 19th December

Y6 Whole School Mass in Church 10.15am

Carol Service, all parents welcome 2pm

Thursday 20th December

END OF TERM 2

Monday 7th January

Term 3 begins



Children in Need

Thank you for your support with our Children in Need fundraising event, we raised an incredible £802.65. – this included the Danceathon, well done to all the children who collected their sponsorship money.



Poppy Appeal

We raised £163.51 for the Poppy appeal - thank you for your kind donations.

School Choir

The school choir are going to sing on Thursday 29th November at 1.00pm at the Christmas light turn on in Boston.

Y1 Class Mass

Y1 will be holding their Class Mass on Wednesday 28th November at 9.15am, all parents welcome.

FOSM – non-uniform – Friday 30th November 2018

We are having a non-uniform day on Friday 30th November 2018. We are asking for a donation of 50p or prizes for the Christmas Market e.g. alcohol/toys/chocolates & sweets/bubble bath. Please do not send in any second hand items. We look forward to receiving lots of fabulous prizes and thank you in advance for your kind donations. Prizes to be brought into school by Wednesday 5th December 2018.

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to school on Tuesday 27th November until Monday 3rd 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

Please check the diary dates section as some dates have been changed. All school events for the academic year 2018/19 have been added to the school website, please visit www.bostonstmarys.co.uk – click on the School News section - 'Calendar of School Events'.

SHINING LIGHTS AWARDS Friday 30 th November 2018	
EYFS	Chance Folawe
Year 1	David Zuzanna
Year 2	Dinis Nikodem
Year 3	Banan Szymon
Year 4	Kacper Kuba
Year 5	Freddie Victoria
Year 6	Claudia Hannah

ATTENDANCE w/c 19/11/18	
Reception	96.9%
Year 1	94.7%
Year 2	99.2%
Year 3	97.1%
Year 4	96.7%
Year 5	96.9%
Year 6	93.7%
Whole School	96.5%

Our attendance target is 97.5%



CLASS NEWS

Reception

In EYFS this week we are building on our knowledge of how to make different numbers and using this to add two groups together. We will be using our addition monster to find out the answers to some of our calculations. In English we are continuing to learn our new sounds and write our letters to Santa. Over the next few weeks we will be practicing our Nativity songs and learning our performance, we are all very excited!

Year 1

This week in Year 1 we will be looking at place value in maths, counting how many objects there are and saying how many tens and units are in two digit numbers. In literacy we will move on to the story Paddington Bear as we listen about his adventures in Buckingham Palace. In RE we will learn about the Visitation Story when Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth and they find out they both have to wait for a baby to be born. We continue to practice our fantastic nativity and this week we have our class mass too. Please rehearse any lines that have been sent home to help the children be more confident.

Year 2

This week in Year 2 we will be painting our Jolly Roger's that we have designed in art. In English we will be finishing our stories on our pirates that we have created. In Maths we will be looking at making pounds and pence with different coins. In Re we are continuing our topic of Advent and will be looking at the story of the Annunciation and Visitation. As we get closer to the Nativity we will be practising this more in school. Please could you ensure that you are practising your children's lines with them as it is only a couple of weeks away.

Year 3

Year 3's fraction studies will focus on mixed and improper fractions this week. This comes alongside a close look at explanation texts in English, with topic lessons centring around predator animals and their adaptations. PE lessons will continue to be weather dependent. Ideally, there will be outdoor sessions taking place on Thursday afternoons, but poor weather conditions will necessitate indoor activities. This means that pupils will need to be equipped with both indoor and outdoor footwear.

Year 4

In English this week, we will be doing our very best to understand the old-fashioned language in a poem written by Thomas Percy over 200 years ago about King Arthur. We will identify the familiar words and also old English words that seem very strange to the ear in the 21st Century. We will then move on to create a comic strip verse of the legend about Arthur, Excalibur and the Knights of the Round Table. In our Spanish lesson, we will be learning the numbers from uno to diez (1 to 10). Whilst in this week's class liturgy, we will be listening to, and reflecting on, some familiar verses written by Isaiah about the birth of our Saviour. Don't forget to look on our webpage to see some of the fantastic Anglo-Saxon patterns printed using inks last week.

Year 5

This week in Year 5 we are going to be learning about explanation texts in English. We will be designing our own machines and explaining how they work. In Maths we will be moving onto measure and will be exploring Time. In RE we will be looking at a piece of art work by William J Hunt called 'The light of the world' and will be exploring and discussing the symbolism, giving reasons for our answers. In topic we will be planning our own fair tests and measuring how quickly jelly marbles grow in water

Year 6

This week, we start to look at the life of Anne Frank and where she lived when she was in hiding. In maths, we'll be using our arithmetic and problem solving skills to solve complex calculations. As we continue with our Advent topic, we'll be looking at the expectations of us at this time of year and writing our own guides based on scripture.

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!

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 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](https://twitter.com/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 or at 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 The deadline for ordering is a Monday for orders placed for the following week.