



DIARY DATES

Monday 11th November

Anti-Bullying Week

EYFS September 2020 Intake Open Morning 9.30-11.30am

Y2 Swimming

Wednesday 13th November

Y4 Class Mass, parents welcome 9.10am

Thursday 14th November

EYFS Intake 2020 applications open

Friday 15th November

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Official Opening of the School Library

Children in Need Fundraiser – non-uniform

Monday 18th November

Road Safety Week

Y6 Stibbington Centre

Y2 Swimming

Wednesday 20th November

Y5 Class Mass, parents welcome 9.10am

Friday 22nd November

Y5 & Y6 Seat Belt Activity Workshop

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Monday 25th November

Y2 Swimming

Wednesday 27th November

Y1 Class Mass, parents welcome 9.10am

Friday 29th November

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Monday 2nd December

Y2 Swimming

Tuesday 3rd December

Y1 & Y2 Skegness Aquarium

Wednesday 4th December

Y2 Class Mass, parents welcome 9.10am

Friday 6th December

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Monday 9th December

Y2 Swimming

Wednesday 11th December

Y3 Class Mass, parents welcome 9.10am

KS1 Nativity Play, parents welcome 2pm

Thursday 12th December

KS1 Nativity Play, parents welcome 6pm

Friday 13th December

Shining Lights Assembly, parents welcome 9.15am

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas Fair 3.45-5.30pm

Monday 16th December

Y2 Swimming

Tuesday 17th December

Whole School Pantomime – Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs

Wednesday 18th December

Carol Service, parents welcome 2.30pm

Christmas Disco 5.30-7pm

Thursday 19th December

Y6 Whole School Mass in Church 10.15am

END OF TERM 2



Y4 Class Mass

Y4 will be holding their Class Mass on Wednesday 13th November at 9.10am, all parents welcome.

Official Opening of the School Library

Aisha Bushby, the author of 'A Pocketful of Stars' will be coming into school on Friday 15th November at 1pm to cut the ribbon to officially open our new school library. Aisha Bushby is willing to sign books for students, however these need to be purchased beforehand by parents either from Amazon at a price of £5.24 or Waterstones. Over the summer holidays, members of staff put a lot of time and effort into giving the library a fantastic makeover and this is a brilliant way to celebrate the official opening.

Children in Need – Friday 15th November 2019 – non-uniform

We are holding a fundraising day on Friday 15th November to raise money for Children in Need. If possible children are to wear something spotty or Pudsey Bear colours (white, yellow or Red). We ask for £1 donation per child to turn Pudsey Gold. All donations are gratefully received and will be sent to the BBC Children in Need. Mrs Liu will be selling her delicious Pudsey Bear cakes and biscuits at morning break time for the children to purchase. Pudsey Bear merchandise will be sold throughout the week. Competitions and other events will be held during the week. Please bring your money in a named envelope. Pudsey Bear will be visiting our school on Thursday 14th November 2019.



Bike Safety

As you are aware, the dark nights are drawing in and it is getting 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.

Parent Governor Vacancy

St Mary's Governing Body has a Parent Governor vacancy. If you are interested in this role please enquire at the school office or email enquiries@bostonstmarys.co.uk for more information.

Height & Weight Checks – Reception and Year 6 Children

Each year in England, school children in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. Height and weight measurements are used to calculate weight status. **You will need to opt out if you do not want your child's height and weight checked, please look out for an email sent home.**

Shining Lights Awards - Friday 15th November 2019

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Jacob	Lucja	David	Emanuel	Damian	Hemish	Joseph
Sara	Wojciech	Gabija	Madison	Marta	Rebekah	Linza

Attendance w/c 4th November 2019

Above National Average		National Average		Below National Average			
EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School
96%	92.5%	99%	98.2%	99%	94.6%	100%	97.1%

Our attendance target is 97.5%

Well done to Year 6 who had the highest attendance with 100%

CLASS NEWS

EYFS

In Maths, we are using more or less to talk about groups of numbers and objects. We will be looking at 'before' and 'after' to help us develop our mastery of numbers 1-10. In phonics, we are continuing to develop our segmenting and blending using our new sounds. In RE we are starting our new topic of 'Birthdays', which will lead us into advent.

Year 1

This coming week in Year 1 we are going to be moving on from 2-D and 3-D shapes to begin exploring the importance of place value! We are going to look at the importance of Tens and Ones and how we can use these in various addition and subtraction methods, as well as looking at the ordering of numbers and number facts up to 20. In English, we are going to be looking at fact files whilst conducting research on a very important member of the British institution - The Queen! We shall be researching facts surrounding the Royal Family using non-fiction books, before constructing fact files at the end of the week and potentially receiving a message from the Queen... As usual, Year 1 have PE on a Friday afternoon so please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school.

Year 2

This week in Year 2 we are going to be writing stories about pirates. Our stories will include adjectives and similes. Our stories will also have a clear beginning, problem and resolution. In maths we are going to be learning about money. If you could look at the different coins and notes with your children that would be fantastic. We are also practising our nativity play. Please remember to practise your children's lines with them.

Year 3

This week in English, Year 3 will be writing their own Historical Narrative from the point of view of a character who was there in Pompeii when Mount Vesuvius erupted. We have collected some wonderful vocabulary, including some amazing similes, to help us write detailed descriptions. In Maths, we will continue to learn about multiplication, moving on to formal written methods. In RE, we will begin our new Advent topic which is all about visitors. Please begin to collect any clean plastic drinks bottles and old newspapers for another exciting design and technology project linked to our topic of tremors that we are hoping to do in the coming weeks. Thank you.

Year 4

Beware! The tranquil world of the monastery will be shattered in the week ahead as the monks come face to face with Anglo-Saxon invaders. Year 4 will be considering and writing an account of these encounters. In maths, we will be continuing to investigate fractions. Whilst in RE we are going to be learning about the Jewish faith, in particular the holy book called the Torah and the Bar Mitzvah ceremony. Parents are invited to join us for our Mass on Wednesday at 9:10am in the hall.

Year 5

This week in Maths we are going to be moving on to angles. We are going to identify and measure different angles using protractors. In English, we are going to produce descriptive writing based on characters and setting before describing our very own portals. In Topic, we are going to recap our map skills and identify both human and physical properties on a map.

Year 6

This week in Year 6 we are going to be continuing to write our short war-time narratives during our English lessons. In Maths we are going to be moving onto learning about fractions and decimal equivalences and will end the week solving problems with the brilliant skills we have learnt. During our Judaism lessons this week, we will be learning about Yom Kippur, the most solemn religious fast of the Jewish year and why this is so important within the religion. During our history lesson we will be learning about rationing and why foods were rationed during the war and how people tried to stay safe during 'The Blitz'. On Wednesday, Year 6 have been invited by Boston High School to watch a performance of 'Sister Act'.

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. **Did you know, you can pay any amount into ParentPay weekly/monthly to save for any upcoming trips/events, this is then held in your ParentPay account until you need to make a payment.**

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 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 the 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.

English as a Second Language - Classes

We are delighted to be welcoming Ian back to Boston St Mary's to hold our **new** English learning classes. These are **free** classes, open to all parents and carers, and provide a fantastic opportunity to learn new skills and make new friends. Learners will also have the opportunity to gain an English qualification as part of the course. If you have any further questions, please contact the school office.