



# ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUR VISION: GOOD GROUND GROWS WELL

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# NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM  
WEEK 8

## UPDATE FROM MRS NETTLESHIP

This week, we were delighted to welcome Mbilla Arts to school for an exciting African drumming performance for the whole school. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the music and lively rhythms whilst learning about African musical traditions. Years 3 and 4 then had the opportunity to take part in their own drumming workshop, where they learned different rhythms and techniques and experienced the joy of making music together.

It was also World Book Day, and it was wonderful to see the children celebrating their love of reading. During the morning, pupils took part in a carousel of different activities around the school, visiting different classrooms to enjoy a range of book-themed experiences. Children listened to a cosy bedtime story in the hall and library, took part in quizzes, designed their own comics and created playdough creatures inspired by the story *The Day Louis Got Eaten*. Many children also came dressed as their favourite book characters, adding to the excitement and fun of the day. We hope the day inspires children to continue exploring new stories at home and to develop a lifelong love of reading.



Mbilla Arts Workshop



World Book Day Activities

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Nettleship

Learning Labs Tuition are partnered with St Marys to provide additional support in Maths & English to our students. This will include Maths and English support, 11+ Grammar School preparation, SATs preparation, and help with school homework!

We have arranged subsidies and discounts of up to 50% discounts for our families. There are limited spaces available. All \*new joining\* families will receive a £25 off voucher.

Please get in touch at the number below to book a free consultation and trial, or fill in the online form below to register your interest.

Link to register your interest:  
<https://forms.gle/7aYYqkz7DYtuPhSi6>

### Attendance Champions



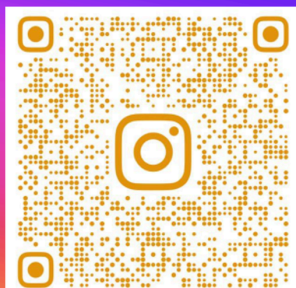
Field Maple 97.9%



Elm 97%



Sapling 95.8%



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# How we have grown this week!

## Saplings

This week the children explored jungle animals including tigers, monkeys and elephants in the rainforest. In RE, we discussed the Easter story of Jesus and the empty tomb. In maths, we explored push and pull and how forces move objects.

## Ash

Ash Class had a wonderful week. The children enjoyed making jam sandwiches during their maths lesson on sequencing and time. They were also thrilled to watch the exciting drumming assembly and celebrate World Book Day with costumes and engaging activities.

## Beech

This week in Beech Class we have been reading "The Storm Whale", describing what it would be like to be at sea in a storm. In maths we continued learning about place value to 50 through different games, and in music we have been singing about sea creatures.

## Chestnut

In RE, we learnt about symbols that help us remember the Easter story. In history, we explored how schools have changed in the last 100 years. In Phonics, we practised contractions and apostrophes, and in English we wrote persuasive letters using conjunctions and emphasis.

## Damson

In Damson Class, we enjoyed an exciting drumming and dance workshop with the Mbilla Arts group. In maths, we have been learning about fractions, exploring how to share and divide numbers equally.

## Elm Class

This week we have been learning about the Eucharist in RE, exploring what Jesus said at the Last Supper through a Bible study. We also enjoyed wearing fantastic costumes for World Book Day and took part in a fun African drumming and dancing session.

## Field Maple/Grey Willow

This week, we enjoyed a fantastic World Book Day and took part in a range of exciting activities. In RE, we analysed the twelve Stations of the Cross. In PE, we developed our tennis skills and had great fun celebrating Holi in Forest School.

## Thought for the week

“You are God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved.” – Colossians 3:12

As we reflect on being God’s people, we remember that each of us is chosen and loved by Him. The Bible tells us, “You are God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved” (Colossians 3:12).

Being part of God’s family is more than belonging—it is about how we live, care for others, and share God’s love. Each of us has unique gifts and talents that help our school and community flourish. Lent is a time to think about how we can act as God’s people, showing kindness, forgiveness, and compassion in everything we do. Are our words and actions helping others feel valued and included? Are we using our talents to make a difference?

As a school community, we can celebrate the gifts God has given us and continue to grow together as His people, spreading love, hope, and joy wherever we go.

### Something to pray

Lord God,

Thank you for choosing us and loving us so deeply. Help us to live as your people, showing kindness, patience, and care to everyone we meet. Teach us to use our gifts to help others, and guide our words and actions so that our school community reflects your love. Amen

# SUMMER TERM 2026 FOOTBALL CLUB



@ ST MARY'S C OF E  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



YEARS 3 - 6  
FRIDAY  
3.15PM - 4.15PM  
17TH APRIL - 17TH JULY  
£71.50 (13 SESSIONS)

SCAN ME!



THERE WILL BE NO SESSION ON THE 29TH MAY (HALF TERM)

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# Messy Mothering Sunday

**Saturday 7th March, 1:00-3:00pm**



**FREE!**

**Crafts, Bible stories, singing, prayers**

**For primary school-aged children**

**(children need to bring an adult with them)**

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# Have You Booked Your School Meals ?

We are delighted to be serving school meals at St Mary's Church of England Primary School.

We believe that a school dinner is not just an essential part of a child's development but also a vital part of their wider schooling experience.

All school meals must be pre-booked using our online meal ordering portal.

**1** Check your emails for a welcome email containing your login details.

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**2**

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***DID YOU KNOW?***

At Present, all children from Reception - Year 6 receive a free school meal every lunch time!