



Through our Christian values of **love, peace and hope** we work together and play together to be the best we can be.

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For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, to give you hope and a future."
Jeremiah 29:11

A Message from the Head Teacher

This week we had a great Wednesday Workshop with a focus on expectations in year 2. It was lovely to see so many of you there supporting your children. Thank you to the staff for organising the workshop. We hope that you found it useful.

The next workshop is for year 3—Reading on Wednesday 15th November 2023.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Diwali Year Group Collective Worship today. Well done to year 3 for remembering their parts so well. Thank you to the staff involved. It truly brought light to a dull morning. Happy Diwali to all who are celebrating on Sunday.

There was an error in the information about Children in Need day in the last email. As we have a Teacher Training Day on Friday 17th November we will hold our "spotty day" on **Thursday 16th November**. The celebration assembly for that week will also be on the 16th November.

We had a review of teaching and learning this week. The children were very articulate about their learning and were able to discuss the opportunities for personal development in school. The children's behaviour was very good. We were pleased that the curriculum and the provision were well sequenced for progression, covering a wide range of topics. We will now be focusing on the development of wider assessment for the foundation subjects.

The children will be working on anti bullying week including a well being workshop for each class next week. On Monday it is odd socks day—children can wear odd socks to show that is ok to be different.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Booker

Safeguarding Support for your child

As many children will have increased screen time over the holiday period, a reminder to check what your children are accessing online. Where possible ensure that children are using social media, online games and the internet generally, in the same room as an adult.

All parents have been given their own log in to the National Online Safety Portal. This portal will provide further information on how to keep your child safe online. It includes in depth information on the majority of social media platforms, including legal age restrictions.

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Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work

on Thursday 16 November 2023. Parent/Carers are welcome to attend.

This week's St Mary's Superstars are:

Early Years

Nur - Ayla

RM - John-David RJ - D'Mario

Key Stage 1

1J - Horizon 1N - Soniyah

2M - Cheikh 2R - Haroon

Key Stage 2

3H - Whole Class 3S - Whole Class

4FT - Kaydee 4H - Thai

5SH - Abdullah 5W - Zakariya

6B - Karan 6CS - Ismail

6W - Mahveen

Our British Values for the following week will be;

Democracy

Individual Liberty

Children break up on
Friday 22 December 2023
and return to school on
Tuesday 9 January 2024

Don't forget to order lunches in advance

Kind and Thoughtful

Our anti-bullying strategies

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and a badge.

Early Years/KS1: Zhe'ry - 2R

Key Stage 2: Kaiden - 4FT

Theme of the week

Remembrance

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friend"

John 15:13

Mathematician of the Week

These certificates will be given to children in their classroom by the Maths lead each Monday

Early Years

Nur - Joshua

RM - Z'karah RJ - Samiul

Key Stage 1

1J - Matthew 1N - Aubrey

2M - Anh D 2R - Adam

Key Stage 2

3H - Summayah 3S - Keliyah

4FT - Rishi 4H - Maryam

5SH - Mickyle 5W - Harlow

6B - Malaika 6CS - Olivia R

6W - Azaan