



St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery Newsletter - Issue 19 - 05/03/2021



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This term's Christian Value is Respect:

'Do to others as you would have them do to you.' Mathew 7.12

Thank you, thank you, thank you. You did it! The last day of remote learning and you can stop doing the job you never expected to have, didn't ask to do and have maybe had quite enough of by now.

We all know it hasn't been the same as if the children were at school but your hard work has helped narrow the gap. Thank you!

My thanks to all our staff, who have done a great job in keeping the learning going during these very challenging times. They greatly appreciate the positive feedback they have received from you and I know they take a great deal of pride in their work with your children.

The next steps will be to continue to be hard work for us all and life at school will remain a long way from normality. However, this weekend celebrate your 'end of term' spending time relaxing and resting together ready for the new start on Monday. We are all so very excited to see you all!

Miss Lampert

World Book Day at St Mary's - 11th March

A lovely way to welcome everyone back.

This is how we would like to celebrate this year:

World Book day tokens will be sent home from today for the children who are in school. If your child is learning from home, tokens will be available to collect from your child's class Learning Pack box, in Reception. The books are on sale from now until 28th March. Click this link for a list of available sellers [Booksellers Association - WBD](#)

These entitle you to a book from the list for FREE! Additional books can be purchased for £1.

Children can choose any of the World Book Day books with their token. This is a link to the list of options [2021s-1-books \(worldbookday.com\)](#)

In school:

The Masked Reader. On Thursday 4th March we will be uploading short videos of a 'Masked Reader' reading a story. Can you guess who the reader is?

Book Focus. Our lessons on Thursday 11th March will be themed around the class text the children are focusing on during the week.

Nursery: My Mum is Fantastic- Nick Butterworth

Reception: Aliens Love Underpants- Claire Freedman and Ben Cort

Year 1: The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch

Year 2: How to Hide a Lion at School by Helen Stephens

Year 3: Arthur and the Golden Rope by Joe Todd-Stanton

Year 4: The Emperor's Egg by Martin Jenkins

Year 5: Leon and the Place Between by Angela McAllister and Grahame Baker-Smith

Year 6: Clockwork - Phillip Pullman

We hope that you will enjoy our online stories and use your vouchers to get some lovely new books!

[A plea from Mrs Martin](#)

PLEASE RETURN ANY ST MARY'S BOOKS THAT YOU HAVE AT HOME.

These can be posted, returned to teachers or indeed left in the relevant box in the entrance.



Fantastic results creating book characters from a potato: very creative!

School Laptops

We have lent out a number of laptops to facilitate home learning. With the return of pupils to school next week we would like all of these returned so that they can be updated and be used in classes for all children but also be prepared - in case they are needed again!
 Please bring the laptop to school on Monday 8th March so that it can be signed back in.



Some of the great examples of screen free and remote learning activities at home and in school.



Emailing the School Office

Please remember, to reduce the number of visitors on site, you are able to call the school office 01761 434548 or email (office@stmaryswrithlington.co.uk) and we will be able to pass on messages to teachers or answer any queries you may have.

Absence

If your child is absent, please do not forget to register your child's absence either by telephoning the School Office on 01761 434548, or by sending an email to the school. Full attendance is expected from March 8th.



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Community news:

Well Done Niamh and Aeryn for completing your Lockdown Challenge, running a mile a day. They have completed 32 miles and raised over £300 for charity. Brilliant 😊!



DID YOU KNOW?

Due to the children returning to school parents/carers in the same household now have access to regular rapid lateral flow testing. This will help you identify if you have coronavirus and are showing no symptoms and help prevent the spread of the virus. Primary school pupils will not be asked to test at this time. If you follow the link below, you can find your nearest site from which to collect your tests. You will be provided with two boxes (14 tests) so you can test twice a week. Alternatively you can get the tests delivered.

[Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

The Writhlington Shed Shop

The Writhlington Shed Shop contains long life items and toiletries for anyone who may need them.

These items are available from a shed in the gardens of the flats at 43 Manor Park.

In order to fund raise to be able to offer more the organisers are holding a colouring competition; children have the opportunity to colour in an Easter Egg and donate 50p for the chance of winning a chocolate egg.

Please see Mrs Cornick for further details or if you would like to donate to this good community cause.