

St Mary's Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Parishioners

We have had a very busy and exciting time this week. I have had quite a few children come to my office this week sharing their improvement in handwriting which has been lovely to see. I was also given a sneak preview of some 'qr code' and video interviews created in Year 5.

Don't Forget! Nursery and Reception Open Morning

If you, a family friend or relative would like to join us for our Open Morning on Monday, it would be lovely to see you. We are holding our open day on Monday to let parents see the classes in Nursery and Reception in action. We are also happy to meet prospective parents at another time if this is not convenient. We hope as many children and parents can join us to meet with our staff and see the children learning in class.

Don't Forget! Mufti Day- 27th November

To support the Christmas Fair we will be holding a mufti day, with the "fine" being a small item listed below. To ensure that there will be enough of everything for the fair, each year group has been asked to bring in certain items. We thank you in anticipation of your co-operation.

Y2 and Y5..... Small stationery items such as pens, erasers, pencils, highlighters etc

Reception and Y3 Party bag toys such as yo-yo's, bouncy balls, whistles etc

Nursery and Year 4 Mini sweets or chocolates, preferably not loose! Think fun size Mars Bars or mini Haribo packets or just place a few sweets in a small bag.

Y6 and Y1Raffle prizes.

The "fine" should be sent in with your child in the morning and they should take it into their classroom.

Congratulations!

Our talented artists in Year 1, entered the Active Travel Poster Competition – 'Drive Less – Live More,' run by Cumbria County Council. We are pleased to announce that Amelia Millar was Highly Commended and won a prize. However, Anna Cobley won first prize, winning a variety of art equipment. Her poster was chosen as the best in Cumbria!





Word of the week

Constellate

“to gather together in a cluster or group”

Volunteers

We really appreciate the time parents and relatives are able to volunteer to help our children. This may be hearing children read and discuss a book. It may be working with a group of children or helping put up displays. Since September many 6th formers from QES have been helping read with our children and support groups; they are having a really positive impact as good role models! If you would like to volunteer to help in school, please get in touch with your child’s class teacher or the school office. It would be lovely to work with you!

Scholastic Book Fair

A huge thank you for your support once again during book week. We raised an incredible £800 in commission and this has already been spent on revamping guided reading books throughout the school.

Reminder! PTA Christmas Fair

The fair will take place on the 4th December. As always volunteers/helpers are needed to make sure this event runs smoothly. If you can spare an hour or two to help out please text 07879 589623 or email stmaryspta@btinternet.com

On a related theme there will also be a second hand toy stall and book stall. All donations will be gratefully received and can be delivered to school on the morning of the 4th.

Christmas Dinner

As usual we will be having a Christmas dinner with all the trimmings on the 15th December. If you have already booked any meal for your child, they will be served the Christmas dinner (or vegetarian version) as a matter of course. If you haven’t already booked your meal but want your child to have the meal please do so by using the Wisepay booking system. Don’t hesitate to contact the office if you need a reminder of your login details!

As always, I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Jones

