"Together we journey to a future of opportunity."

Thursday 22nd October

Half Term

We've reached the end of another busy half term! Just a reminder that **tomorrow is a Non-Pupil Day**, so we look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Monday 2nd November.

When we return, we will be on Week 3 of the school dinner menu.

We hope all our children and families have a wonderful, restful half term and enjoy the break.



Mallards swimming

An email has been sent out today regarding Mallards swimming next term:

The lesson starts promptly at 9am and we would like to ask you to drop your child at Torridge Pool for 8.45am in time for registration and to be ready for the start of their lesson. Children will be met by their class teacher.

Please ensure your child has their swimming things on under their uniform for ease of changing on arrival (PE Kit is not required on swimming days.) And please remember a towel & underwear for afterwards! Swimming hats are required to be worn, and goggles are welcome if they are wanted.

Once their lesson is over the children will be walked back to school. Please ensure they bring a coat in case of wet weather.

Swimming Lessons are part of the National Curriculum, and we expect all children to participate.

Weekly Menu Week Commencing 2nd November

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1 (Main)	Macaroni Cheese & Crusty Baguette	Sausage Roll	Roast Chicken & Stuffing	Cod Dog	Breaded Fish Fillet
Option 2 (Vegetarian)	Sweet Chilli Halloumi Wrap	Quorn Stir Fry & Rice	Vegetable Wellington	Vegan Sausage Roll	Vegetable Nuggets
Option 3 (Light Bite)	Egg & Lettuce Sandwich	Tuna & Lettuce Wrap	Cheese & Tomato Sandwich	Ham & Lettuce Sandwich	Tuna & Cucumber Baguette
Option 4	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans or Tuna
Carbohydrate / Vegetables	Sweetcorn or Veg Sticks	Diced Potatoes, Reduced Salt Baked Beans	Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn or Veg Sticks	Crispy Chips, Pasta, Mixed Vegetables & Ketchup
Salad	Garden Salad	Crispy Salad	Classic Salad	Rainbow Salad	Garden Salad
Dessert	Fruit Crunch Pot	Pancakes with Fruit	Ice Cream	Flapjack	Raspberry Ripple Cake

Staffing Update:

Magpies:

We are excited to let you know that Mrs Miles will be returning from maternity leave after half term! The children will continue to have Mrs Price on a Monday and Tuesday, and Mrs Miles will be teaching Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Mrs Doble:

Today, we said a sad goodbye to Mrs Doble, one our Meal Time Assistants. Mrs Doble has worked at St Mary's for an incredible 18 Years! She will be greatly missed by staff and children alike and we wish all her all the best for the future.

Dates for Your Diary:

- Friday 23rd October – Non Pupil Day
- Tuesday 3rd November – Flu Vaccines
- Monday 9th November-Odd Sock Day
- Week Commencing 9th November-Interfaith Week
- Friday 13th November – Children In Need
- Monday 30th November – Advent Service
- Tuesday 8th December – Reception Christmas Performance
- Wednesday 9th December – Christmas Lunch
- Thursday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day
- Monday 14th December - Year 2 Christmas Performance
- Tuesday 15th December - Rock Steady Christmas Concert
- Wednesday 16th December- Reception Vision Screening
- Thursday 17th December – Christingle

Term Dates:

- Friday 23rd October – Non-Pupil Day
- Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October – Half Term
- Monday 2nd November – Children return to school.
- Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January – Christmas Holidays
- Tuesday 4th January 2027 – Non-Pupil Day
- Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February 2027 – Half Term
- Monday 22nd February 2027 - Children return to school

Link for School Term Dates:

Harbour Schools Partnership - Term Dates

We also have paper copies of a term-time calendar for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 in the school office, please call in if you would like a copy.

Clubs

Yesterday we emailed out a list off all of the clubs for next half term, these clubs are now all full. If you would like to put your child on a reserve list, please email into the office.

Please be aware-the following clubs are still running next term:

- Choir
- Computing
- Tag Rugby

All other clubs from this term have now ended.

