

ST. MARY'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Weekly Bulletin



Dream - Believe - Achieve

The Weekly Bulletin will be emailed to you every Friday to help keep you up to date with everything in school.

Any additional flyers/posters are at the end of this Bulletin.

Don't Forget!

Puzzle Shop - Wednesday 4th March

After school parents are able to purchase fidget toys, word games, logic games and more, they have discounts available and will be in the hall.

Walk in Weekday - Wednesday 4th March

Year 1/2 parents are welcome at 2:45pm in school, there will be a focus on handwriting.

PTFA meeting - Wednesday 4th March

Everyone welcome, 7pm in school!

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

The theme for this year's dress-up day is all about enjoying a good book before bed, so we'd love to see everyone come dressed in their favourite PJs, slippers, and maybe even a cuddly blanket or a soft toy for the perfect bedtime look!

All book costumes are welcome however!

Chocolate Bingo - Friday 20th March!

Live in Arbor to book, please find it in the School Shop section on the homepage.

Pay £1.00 per person to secure your place. A ticket is required for every member of your group. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Bingo books will be available to buy on the night in singles, 3s and 6s, along with dabbers. We will have a tombola (cash only) and have hotdogs and soft drinks available to buy. A raffle to win a hamper full of chocolates will be drawn at the end, with tickets available on the night.

Due to space we have to limit numbers, so this is normally a sold out, very popular event! We encourage you to book as soon as possible!

P.E Days

Children should be coming to school in their P.E kits and stay in their P.E kit on their P.E day.

Friendship	Thursday
Peace	Thursday
Acceptance	Wednesday and Friday
Forgiveness	Tuesday and Friday
Kindness	Wednesday and Friday
Hope	Monday and Wednesday
Perseverance	Wednesday and Friday
Trust	Monday and Wednesday
Justice	Tuesday and Thursday
Respect	Tuesday and Friday
Wisdom	Tuesday and Thursday

PE kit consists of a navy PE t-shirt, jumper, shorts and jogging bottoms. Trainers of any colour can be worn on PE days. The logo items can be purchased from Karlsports in Kettering.

Attendance!

Winning Class last week of term:

Kindness - 98.5%

Year attendance to date (whole school):

93.6%

School Clubs

We offer a range of Clubs throughout the year and we try to encourage and give every child in KS2 the opportunity to participate in a Sports competition within the school year.

The below clubs are running next term. AM sports are £3.50/ PM sports are £4.00.

Prayer Club for next term is Year 1/2.

Day / Time	Club	Year Groups
Monday AM - 8:00-8:45am	Archery, Boccia & New Age Kurling	All Years
Monday LUNCH -12:30-1:00pm	Prayer Club - KS1, starts 2nd March	Year 1/2
Monday PM - 3:15-4:15pm	KS1 Football	Year 1/2
Tuesday AM – 08:00-08:45am	Tag Rugby	Years 3-6
Tuesday AM – 09:50-11:00am	Woodwind/Recorder lessons	Years 1-6
Tuesday PM - 12:40-2:00pm	Guitar lessons	Years 2-6
Tuesday PM - 3:15-4:15pm	Dodgeball - places are limited	Years 3-6
Wednesday AM - 8:00-8:45am	Basketball	All Years
Wednesday AM - 9:00-10:00am	Strings	Years 3-6
Wednesday PM - 3:15-4:15pm	Choir (dates have been sent to parents)	KS1 or KS2
Thursday AM - 8:00-8:45am	EYFS & KS1 Gymnastics	EYFS to Year 2
Thursday PM - 3:15-4:15pm	KS2 Football	Years 3-6
Friday AM - 8:00-8:45am	KS2 Gymnastics	Years 3-6
Friday PM - 3:15-4:15am	Taskmaster	Years 1-6

Please book sports clubs and Prayer Club through our Arbor portal. If any date is not showing then that session is fully booked. Children should only attend if booked on.

Taskmaster Club is booked directly via the letter sent out each term by Mrs Grady.

If your child is interested in our music lessons or choir please enquire with the School Office. For recorders we have a waiting list. Other instruments are possible without waiting.

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Fortnightly breakdown ~ w/c 2nd Mar & 9th Mar 2026

Any new/updated items will be added in blue

Monday 2nd March 2026

- Archery, Boccia and New Age Kurling – All Years – 08:00am to 08:45am
- Prayer Club – Free – Year 1/2 – 12:30pm to 13:00pm - available to book in Arbor
- Football – Year 1/2 – 15:15pm to 16:15pm
- **KS1 Boosters - 15:15pm to 15:45pm - selected children**

Tuesday 3rd March 2026

- Tag Rugby – Years 3-6 – 08:00am to 08:45am
- Woodwind/Recorders - 09:50am to 11:00am
- Guitar lessons – 12:40pm to 13:55pm
- Dodgeball Club – Years 3-6 – 15:15pm to 16:15pm – **Fully booked/limited space**

Wednesday 4th March 2026

- Puzzle Day in school today, problem solving workshops - also Puzzle Shop after school
- Basketball Club – All Years – 08:00am to 08:45am –
- String lessons – 09:00am to 10:00am - invite only
- KS1 Choir only – 15:15pm to 16:15pm
- **Walk in Weekday - Year 1/2 parents are welcome at 2:45pm in school, there will be a focus on handwriting.**
- **Dance club, 3:20pm to 4:20pm - invite only**
- **PTFA meeting, 7pm. Everyone welcome!**

Thursday 5th March 2026

- **World Book Day - with a bedtime theme**
- Gymnastics Club – EYFS to Year 2 – 08:00am to 08:45am
- KS2 Football – Years 3-6 – 15:15pm to 16:15pm

Friday 6th March 2026

- **Homework passports will be sent out by today**
- Gymnastics Club - Years 3-6 – 08:00am to 08:45am
- Taskmaster Club - Years 1-6 - 15:15pm to 16:15pm - held in the EYFS classroom - pupils must have booked online directly
- **KS1 Boosters - 15:15pm to 15:45pm - selected children**

Monday 9th March 2026

- Archery, Boccia and New Age Kurling – All Years – 08:00am to 08:45am
- Prayer Club – Free – Year 1/2 – 12:30pm to 13:00pm - available to book in Arbor
- Football – Year 1/2 – 15:15pm to 16:15pm
- KS1 Boosters - 15:15pm to 15:45pm - selected children

Tuesday 10th March 2026

- Tag Rugby – Years 3-6 – 08:00am to 08:45am
- Woodwind/Recorders - 09:50am to 11:00am
- Guitar lessons – 12:40pm to 13:55pm
- Dodgeball Club – Years 3-6 – 15:15pm to 16:15pm – **Fully booked/limited space**

Wednesday 11th March 2026

- Basketball Club – All Years – 08:00am to 08:45am –
- String lessons – 09:00am to 10:00am - invite only
- **Guitar lessons – 12:40pm to 13:55pm (rescheduled session)**
- KS2 Choir only – 15:15pm to 16:15pm
- Dance club – 3 :20pm to 4:20pm - invite only

Thursday 12th March 2026

- Gymnastics Club – EYFS to Year 2 – 08:00am to 08:45am
- KS2 Football – Years 3-6 – 15:15pm to 16:15pm
- EYFS Walk in Weekday – parents are welcome at 2:45pm in school, there will be a focus on writing in the classroom.
- **Year 1 Phonics Screening Meeting - 15:30pm in Miss Farrer/Mrs Mawdsley's classroom**

Friday 13th March 2026

- **Chocolate Mufti day** – chocolate donations instead of money to be used for the PTFA chocolate bingo fundraiser on 20th March
- Gymnastics Club - Years 3-6 – 08:00am to 08:45am
- **Parent Forum - 2pm in school**
- Taskmaster Club - Years 1-6 - 15:15pm to 16:15pm - held in the EYFS classroom - pupils must have booked online directly
- KS1 Boosters - 15:15pm to 15:45pm - selected children

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Future Dates for your Diary!

DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT
16/03/2026	Years 3-6	KS2 Invasion Festival - 08:30am to 11:30am at Montsaye school - invite only (early arrival at school)
20/03/2026	All Years	Red Nose Day - joke competition. The winning joke in each year group will win a prize (EYFS/Year 1/2/Year 3/4/Year 5/6). Jokes need to be in school with a 50p donation by Thursday 19th March.
20/03/2026	All Years	Chocolate Bingo! Fun for all the family! Come along and win some amazing prizes! £1 entry, £3 per game. Full details will follow, please keep an eye on the PTFA page at the end of this bulletin to see the updates!
24/03/2026	Year 1/2	AM practise at St Mary's Church today for Easter
24/03/2026	Year 5/6	PM practise at St Mary's Church today for Easter
25/03/2026	EYFS	EYFS trip to Mini Meadows - 09:15am to 14:45pm - details to be advised in due course
25/03/2026	Year 3/4	PM practise at St Mary's Church today for Easter
26/03/2026	Years 1-6	Easter service at St Mary's Church Year 1/2 - 9:30am Year 3/4 - 10:15am Year 5/6 - 11am
27/03/2026	All Years	Homework passports are due back today to the class teachers
27/03/2026	All Years	Final day of term
30/03/2026 to 10/04/2026	All Years	Easter holidays, children are not at school
13/04/2026	All Years	First day back, students back in school today
21/04/2026	Parents	Parents evening - 3:30pm to 6pm
23/04/2026	Parents	Parents evening - 4:30pm to 7:30pm
24/04/2026	Parents	Clothing collection. Please leave all donations in the wheelie bin by the blue container at the high street gate.
24/04/2026	All Years	Homework passports will be sent out by today
13/04/2026	All Years	First day back, students back in school today
21/04/2026	Parents	Parents evening - 3:30pm to 6pm
23/04/2026	Parents	Parents evening - 4:30pm to 7:30pm
24/04/2026	All Years	Homework passports will be sent out by today
01/05/2026	Year 3/4	Year 3/4 trip to Thinktank Birmingham Science Museum - 08:15am to 16:45pm - details to be confirmed in due course (early arrival and late return back to school)
04/05/2026	All Years	Bank holiday, children are not at school

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Future Dates for your Diary!

DATE	YEAR GROUP	EVENT
11/05/2026	Year 6	SATs week
22/05/2026	All Years	Homework passports are due back today to the class teachers
22/05/2026	All Years	Final day of term
25/05/2026 to 29/05/2026	All Years	May half term, children are not at school
01/06/2026	All Years	First day back, student back in school today
02/06/2026	Year 1/2	Year 1/2 Trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester - 08:30am to 15:15pm, the 3 classes will be split between this date and 05/06/26. Full details will be sent in due course.
05/06/2026	Year 1/2	Year 1/2 Trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester - 08:30am to 15:15pm, the 3 classes will be split between this date and 02/06/26. Full details will be sent in due course.
11/06/2026	All Years	Class photos
12/06/2026	All years	Homework passports will be sent out by today
16/06/2026	EYFS + Year 1/2	Sports Day - a morning session, exact details to be confirmed
17/06/2026	Year 3/4	Sports Day - a morning session, exact details to be confirmed
18/06/2026	Year 5/6	Sports Day - a morning session, exact details to be confirmed
22/06/2026 to 26/06/2026	Year 6	Year 6 Govilon residential, all week
02/07/2026	Year 4	Just Sing at the Derngate Theatre - details to be advised in due course
08/07/2026	All Years	End of year reports and class letters are due out today
09/07/2026	Year 5	Year 5 visit to Rockingham Castle—details to be advised in due course
10/07/2026	EYFS - Year 5	Transfer Day - children will be able to spend the day in the new class
10/07/2026	EYFS - Year 5	Meet the Teacher - after school parents will be able to meet their child's new class teacher in the new teacher's classroom
10/07/2026	All Years	Homework passports are due back today to the class teachers
16/07/2026	Year 6	Year 6 Leaver's Service at St Mary's Church - 09:30am
17/04/2026	All Years	Last day of Term

Please see the next few pages about what is happening around Burton Latimer



FREE!
EASTER HOLIDAY KIDS CRAFT AFTERNOON
PAINTING MAKING PLAY DOUGH +MORE!
Join us for an afternoon of **FREE** crafty fun for kids of all ages. Plus there will be free hot drinks for the parents.
SATURDAY 28TH MARCH
2PM-3.30PM
BURTON LATIMER COMMUNITY CENTRE
Pioneer Ave, Burton Latimer, Kettering NN15 5LJ

 **NENE VALLEY VINEYARD**

Book your **FREE** places:
or at nenevalley.church/easter



KUMON **MATHS ENGLISH**

Join us for a FREE 30-minute taster session!

Tuesday 3rd March & Thursday 6th March

4pm - 4:30pm

The Salvation Army, Salem Lane, Wellingborough, NN8 4JT

07963 746984
Wellingborough@kumoncentre.co.uk

Ofsted Registered, Childcare vouchers accepted and free registration!

Get social with us



UNIFORM DONATIONS WANTED

if you have any unwanted good condition logo uniform, please consider donating this to the PTFA

WE ARE HOPING TO HAVE ANOTHER SALE BUT NEED MORE DONATIONS!

PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS NEAR THE BLUE CONTAINER AT THE HIGH STREET GATE OR CONTACT THE PTFA



Chocolate Bingo

Friday 20th March

TICKETS, DABBERS, RAFFLE, FOOD & DRINK AVAILABLE TO BUY ON THE NIGHT

DOORS OPEN 5.30PM, EYES DOWN 6PM

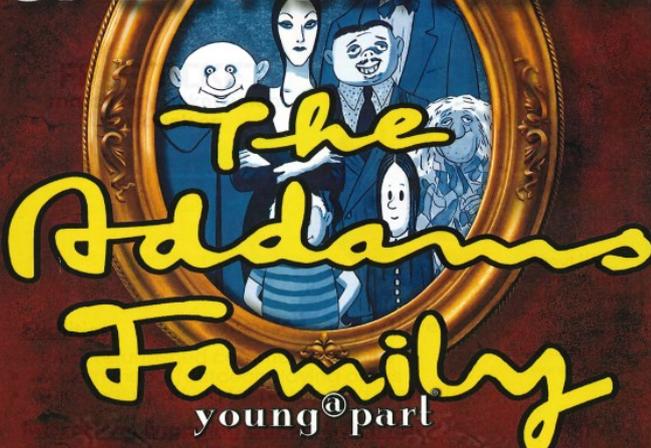
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OPEN AUDITIONS



MONDAY 2ND MARCH

LIGHTHOUSE THEATRE,
THURSTON DR, NN15 6PB
5.00-6.00pm 7-12yrs old
6.00-7.00pm 13-18yrs old

SUNDAY 8TH MARCH

KETTERING LEISURE VILLAGE,
THURSTON DR, NN15 6PB
2.00-3.30pm 7-12yrs old
3.30-5.00pm 13-18yrs old

You only need to attend one audition
All auditionees must be 8 years old by the time of the show
**TO BE PERFORMED AT THE LIGHTHOUSE THEATRE
4TH - 6TH JUNE 2026**

NOTHING TO PREPARE, JUST ARRIVE, BOOK IN AND AUDITION
A show fee is payable by all successful applicants



**WORLD BOOK DAY
2026**



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2026**

FREE COSTUME SWAP

**Saturday 21st February to
Saturday 28th February**

**Burton Latimer
Community Hub and Library**

Bring along outgrown, gently used
book-themed costumes and swap them
for a new-to-you costume of your choice,
for free!



THE PUZZLE SHOP

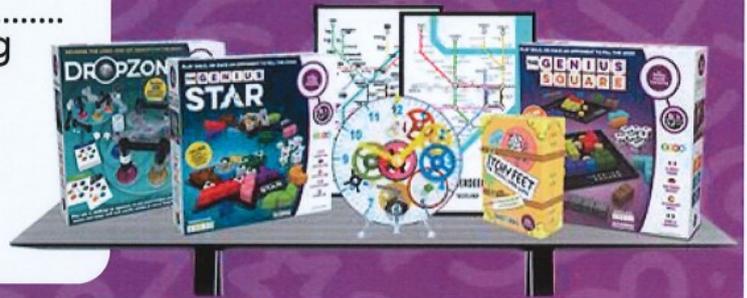


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Happy Puzzle will be visiting on Wed 4th March to run some problem solving workshops with the students. At the end of the school day we will be running a puzzle shop in the hall and will take place at the following time 3:15pm

There will be a 10% discount on the day of the event only, so come along and see what we have to offer!



On Wednesday 4th March children will be taking part in workshops during the day. A company called Happy Puzzle are coming in to school to deliver these.

What will the students be doing

Students will be engaging in a variety of team challenges, most of which can be solved within a few minutes, but which require collaborative learning skills with careful strategic planning, in order to find a solution. If the temptation to give up starts to appear, the programme will teach students how to persevere, put their own skills to better use as part of a team and overcome difficulties by approaching problems from a different perspective.

Please also see the poster attached as the event organisers will stay after school in the hall to run a puzzle shop. The products include logic games, word games, fidget toys and much more.



ST. MARY'S PTA & FRIENDS

- **Next PTFA Meeting**— Wednesday 4th March 7pm. Everyone welcome!
- **Chocolate Mufti day** – Friday 13th March – chocolate donations instead of money to be used for the PTFA chocolate bingo fundraiser on 20th March
- **Chocolate Bingo** – 20th March 6-8pm. Fun for all the family! Come along and win some amazing prizes! £1 entry, book of 3 tickets £3, book of 6 tickets £5. 5 games in total.
- **Clothing collection** – 24th April - Donations wanted, please leave all clothing donations in the wheelie bin near the blue container at the high street gate.
- **Unwanted uniform** – if you have any unwanted good condition uniform (particularly logo!), please donate this to the PTFA.

We are hoping to have another sale but need more donations! You can leave this near the blue container at the high street gate or contact the PTFA.

A poster with a black background and white polka dots. At the top, the word 'WHAT'S' is written in large, multi-colored block letters (green, blue, purple, orange). Below it, 'coming up?' is written in a white, bubbly script font. There are three colored boxes with text:

- Next PTFA Meeting** (purple box): Wednesday 4th March 7pm. Everyone welcome!
- Chocolate Bingo** (yellow box): 20th March 6-8pm. Fun for all the family! Come along and win some amazing prizes! £1 entry, book of 3 tickets £3, book of 6 tickets £5. 5 games total.
- Chocolate mufti day 13th March** (orange box): - chocolate donations instead of money to be used for the PTFA chocolate bingo fundraiser on 20th March. **Clothing Collection - 24th April**: - Donations wanted. Please leave all clothing collections in the wheelie bin near the blue container at the high street gate.