



# St Mary's C of E (VA) First School

'Excellence Together, Learning through Faith'

## Weekly Update 7<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Dear Families of St Mary's,

### This week at St Mary's...

Year 2 visited Frogmore Paper Mill. They had an amazing time enriching their topic on materials by making paper and exploring materials with microscopes. They also saw the machinery involved and how the water wheel powered it.

Class 3's assembly was a wonderful show of their topic learning on Rocks. They sang songs and used all the correct geographical vocabulary to describe rocks and their properties inspired by the three little pigs' story. Well done to the children in making such a good presentation.

### World Book Day

World Book Day is the 6<sup>th</sup> March – we'll be having a book exchange, shared reading and would love pupils to come dressed as book characters they know and love. More details to follow.

### 150 year logo competition

Thank you to those who entered, the competition was very strong. The winner will be announced on Monday!

### Head lice

We had no reported cases of head lice this week. Please do continue to check and report. Many thanks

### Next week...

#### Year 4 projects need to be in Thursday!

11<sup>th</sup> 3:45-6:30pm Parent Consultations  
12<sup>th</sup> Year 1 to the Science Museum  
13<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00pm Parent Consultations  
14<sup>th</sup> 5:00-6:30pm Valentine Disco

### Information and reminders

Please note change of time – Ash Wednesday service will be at 2:30pm

#### Guitar Lessons Y3 & Y4

If your child would like to take up the guitar we still have a few spaces left. Please see Mrs Young in the office,

#### Save the date:

**Advance parent support group Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 7:30pm**  
**Year 1 phonics screening meeting Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2:45pm**

#### 2015/16 Admissions Consultation for St Mary's School

All school admission authorities are required to undertake consultation on their admission arrangements if they are changing their arrangements and even if no changes are being made, they are still required to carry out a consultation at least once every seven years. As St Mary's is a Voluntary Aided (VA) School, the Governing Body is the admitting authority.

We are undertaking a consultation on our admissions arrangements for the academic year 2015/16. Details of the proposed admission arrangements are available on the school website. The consultation period is for 8 weeks, between 2 January - 28 February 2014. If you would like to make any comments, or respond to the proposed arrangements, you need to contact the school on

[admissions@stmarys916.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@stmarys916.herts.sch.uk) Your responses will be taken into account when determining the admission arrangements. All schools must determine their admission arrangements for 2015/16 by 15 April 2014, regardless of whether a consultation has been undertaken. Determined admission arrangements will be displayed on the school's website by 1st May 2014.

**Save the date: Valentines Disco Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Fashion Show 7<sup>th</sup> March 7.30 pm**  
**Campina on the field 28<sup>th</sup> June**

#### Dates:

##### January

31<sup>st</sup> 3:20pm Treat Friday Year 1  
3:20-3:45pm Open Classrooms

##### February

5<sup>th</sup> Year 2 to Paper Mill  
6<sup>th</sup> 2:45pm Church- Candlemass - all welcome  
7<sup>th</sup> 10:25 Class 3 Assembly (please note change of assembly time)  
8:00pm Quiz Night!  
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##### Half term- 17-21<sup>st</sup> Feb

28<sup>th</sup> 3:20pm FS Treat Friday

##### March

5<sup>th</sup> 2:30pm Church (Ash Wednesday)  
6<sup>th</sup> World Book Day  
7<sup>th</sup> Fashion Show 7.30 pm  
10<sup>th</sup> Year 2 to Houses of Parliament  
13<sup>th</sup> Music Concert  
18<sup>th</sup> 3:20pm-3:45pm open classrooms  
21<sup>st</sup> 2.30 pm Parent Forum  
3:20pm Treat Friday Year 4  
28<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Service (all mums welcome or a representative welcome for flower presentation)

##### April

4<sup>th</sup> Year2 Class Assembly  
1:30nm Easter Service

