

9th December 2022



Year 4 taking part in 'Journey to the Stable'



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a good week at St Mary's. The children have been rehearsing for the Christmas plays next week & are looking forward to performing for their families.

Lots of our children received their flu immunisations on Monday.

On Monday evening the school looked very Christmassy, with our decorated tree in the hall, Christmas music playing & fairy lights & cushions in the classrooms & library for the children to enjoy listening to Christmas stories, drinking hot chocolate & eating biscuits. It was a lovely evening which the children & staff really enjoyed.







It has been lovely having our Advent Services each afternoon & having our families join us. We will have one more of our Advent services on Thursday 15th as on Monday 12th the children will be doing their dress rehearsal for the plays & performing this for the residents of Culliford House Residential Home.

Journey to the Stable

Today our Year 4 took part in the 'Journey to the Stable' at the United Church in Dorchester. This is a lovely Christmas Nativity event which our Year 4 really enjoyed. They came away with a bag of lovely gifts & we were very proud of them.





Caps for Cash - Monday 12th at St Mary's

The theme of our Good Shepherd initiative for the 2022/23 academic year is 'Caps for Cash'.

Children at St Mary's can wear anything unusual on their head to school on Monday 12th December & if they can, bring in a small donation for the Catholic Children's Society.

The money raised will offer financial support to children of all faiths and none, living in the Diocese whose families are struggling to pay for the basic essentials of life.

Upcoming Events

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Event	Date
Mon 12 th	Donations for
Dec	fundraising for
	Children's Society CCPS
	(caps for cash)
	Children to wear
	something they have
	created, anything silly
	or unusual on their
	head to school for one
	day for a small donation
	to CCSP (Children's
	Society)
Mon 12 th	PTA Christmas Shop
Dec	
Mon 12 th	Carol Service – 6.00pm
Dec	at St Mary's School
Fri 9 th Dec	Year 4 Journey to the
	Stable – United Church
	in Dorchester
	(morning)
Tues 13 th Dec	Picklebottom the Elf
	visiting all our classes
Wed 14 th	EYFS Christmas
Dec	production –
	Parents/Carers of
	Haycorns & Reception
	children invited –
	School Hall 10-
	10.30am
Tues 13 th Dec	Christmas Plays (half
	the children from St
	Mary's) at 2.15pm &
	6.00pm
Wed 14 th Dec	Christmas Plays (half
	the children from St

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	Mary's) at 2.15pm &
	6.00pm
Wed 14 th Dec	Christmas Lunch from
	Local Food Links (hot
	lunch order by 1 st Dec)
Thurs 15 th Dec	Christmas Party Day –
	order a Food Links
	packed lunch or bring
	one from home – party
	clothes all day.
Fri 16 th Dec	Advent Service for
	children in the
	morning.

We are learning about different shapes and their names in Maths Felix



This week's Kid's Corner comes from Year 1, letting us know what they have enjoyed learning & doing this week.

> I enjoyed making a Christmas tree with pasta shapes

> > Sydney

It was exciting going on a winter walk to finish our writing in English Poppy, Maja & Scarlett

This week's 'a lot of laughs' from Year 1: Who delivers cats Christmas presents? Santa Paws!



Have a good weekend.

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