

# St Mary's Catholic First School

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#### **Dear Parents**

Our Reception Class had their First Class photo taken on Wednesday which should be published in the Dorset Echo we believe the week before the October half term.



Thank you to the parents who came along to the Forest School workshop on Thursday, we hope you found the session interesting.

Today our Year 3 class with on their trip to the New Barn Activity Centre, they were learning all about and talking with Romans, experiencing how they lived, making mosaics, spending time in a roundhouse, etc. They will have had a great time.



Our Haycorns Pre-School also went on their Beach Trip today to Weymouth, travelling by train. They had good weather and would have had a great time as well.

# St Mary's Fireworks

Tickets are now on sale for the Firework event on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Please see a member of the PTA or pop into the school office to buy your early bird discounted tickets.

#### Year 4 wardens

Applications are now welcome from Year 4 pupils who would like to be wardens. The first interviews are set to take place next week!

#### **School Photos**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October during the school day pupils and siblings with have their school photos taken. If any parents would like a family photo taken, please let the school office know and these will be taken between 8.15 and 9.00 am.

#### Cricket after school club

Our cricket after school club started last Wednesday, it is open to Years 2, 3 and 4, if anyone would like to join the club, please let us know. It is £20.00 and runs until 23<sup>rd</sup> October 3.30-4.30 pm.

# Would you like to be a Mystery Reader?



If any parents/grandparents would be interested in reading a story to one of our classes we are planning on having mystery readers come into school on Tuesdays at 3.00 pm. Mystery Readers can either bring a book in with them or read one of ours. I will be running an information session about mystery readers next Wednesday after drop off in the hall. If you would like to know more or have some questions, please pop along. If you are unable to join us next Wednesday but would like to be involved, please just let the office know.

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#### Kidszone - breakfast and after school club

Our Kidszone will be open for our Inset day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like your child to use Kidszone during the day, please let us know by speaking to the school office or by emailing kidszone.office@googlemail.com

The cost is £20 and it is open 8am until 6 pm. We are also planning on opening during the February half term, please contact the Kidszone email if you are interested in this.

### St Mary's Facebook page

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates of what our pupils are doing during the week and for reminders of upcoming events. If you search on Facebook for @stmarysdorch you will find us.

# Open mornings for prospective Reception 2020 parents

If you or someone you know has a child starting Reception class next September, please note that we have three open mornings on offer for parents to hear about and look at the St Mary's. The dates are:

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 10.00 am Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00 am Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 1.15 pm

# **Upcoming Dates:**

## Please see our upcoming dates

Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Mystery Reader Information Session – drop off time (9.00 am)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 2 day trip to Lulworth Castle – packed lunch needed
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	School photos – individuals & siblings (family photos 8.15-9.00 am)
Friday 18th October	PTA Cake Sale at pick up time – Year 2 parents donating cakes
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	PJ Day raising money for a Defibrillator – children can come to school/Pre-School in their pyjamas for a £2.00 donation towards a new defibrillator
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Firework Event at St Mary's - gates open 5.00 pm, fireworks at 7.00 pm

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Paula Fearn

**Head Teacher**