



St Mary's CEVA Primary



Academy Newsletter



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"Do Everything in Love" 1 Corinthians 16:14

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Our vision, do everything in love, is key to what we do as a school. This is about how we behave to one another, share with one another and care for one another. We recognise that this is a very challenging time for everyone. It seems strange to stand so far apart from one another and our staff wearing face visors and masks. We are giving extra support to our children to make lots of progress so that they are where they need to be on their learning line. If you are worried about anything, please speak to your child's teacher, someone on the gate or call the school office. We love and care for our school family and only want the best for them.

I am so proud of the incredible progress that children are making in all the classes. As I walk around the school I see the smiling faces of our children as they do all they can to improve their learning. Well done to Mrs Brown (year 3), every single child in her class made good progress in their times tables – some achieved score of 30 – 40 more than last week. Keep it up!

In Mrs Heaney's class, most children scored full marks or just one away in their spellings. They are focused, reading daily, doing their homework and making accelerated progress. I am so proud of you all.

In Mrs Brown's class (EYFS) the children have settled so brilliantly and making excellent progress with their phonics, hearing the sounds and some children are even reading words!

Mr Middleton's STEM group have been opening up computers to investigate how they work! Very impressive. Whilst Miss Fowler's class have been exploring what it would be like to be an Anglo-Saxon. I loved seeing the beautiful autumn leaf artwork by Mrs Perry's class.

Gratitude and thanks are a very important part of keeping ourselves mentally healthy. We have celebrated harvest by thinking about the wonderful food we have to eat. Les Wilcox, one of our school Governors, has brought in lots of amazing vegetables that have been grown on his own allotment. Many of you have brought in gifts for 'Kettering's Food Bank'. My prayer this week has been to thank the Lord for giving us food to eat and enough that we can share with others.

What are you thankful for?

Please remember, teachers are posting photographs, homework, additional learning opportunities, training resources on Seesaw. Make sure you check it out – why not add a photograph of what you get up to this weekend.

As always, I want you to know that you and your wonderful children are what makes St Mary's school such a special place.

Keep safe,

With blessings,
Diane Wright



don't forget to...

{NOTES TO SELF}



1 FOCUS ON THE GOOD.

(It's there.)



→ Like reading or drawing or playing or dreaming

2 DO SOMETHING YOU LOVE.



3 GO OUTSIDE.



4 LOVE WHO YOU ARE NOW.

(The past is over. Let it goooo.)



EVERY

DAY

TODAY
23

IS A

START!

FRESH

5 KEEP BEING BRAVE.

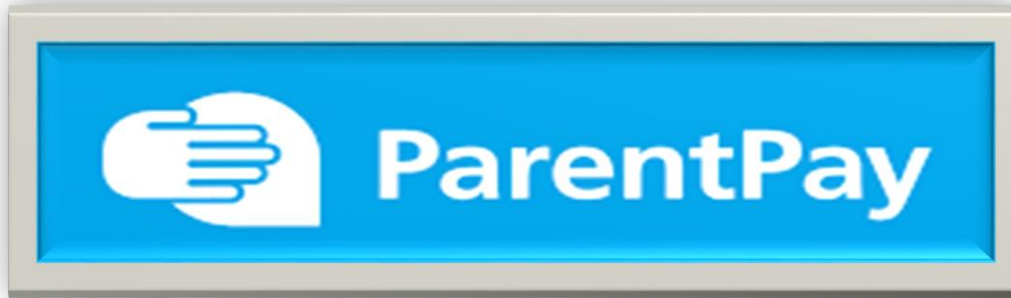
→ It might feel hard sometimes, but the night'll end + the clouds'll part.





We had a really fun day in Year 4/5 pretending to be Anglo-Saxons. We all had Anglo-Saxon names and found out their meanings. We also named our own village. It was called Cadbury, bury meaning 'fortified place' and Cad after our chief who was called Cadman. In the morning we played a trading game to help us to understand what it would be like to be an Anglo-Saxon farmer. Some teams finished the game with lots of crops, animals and money, others were less lucky! After break we designed and painted our own shields. In the afternoon we turned the classroom into an Anglo-Saxon mead hall. We listened to some Anglo-Saxon stories, learnt how to do a toast and tried some non-alcoholic Anglo-Saxon mead. It was a great day! -Miss Fowler





At the end of this month our previous communication source Scopay will be deactivated. This means the only way we will be able to communicate with parents/carers is through our new platform Parentpay. Lots of you have already activated your accounts. Please if you haven't already, activate your account where you can pay for trips, breakfast club, music lessons and parent consultations.

If you have any problems at all with activating your account please call the school office.

If you have any problems at all logging onto home learning platforms such as Bedrock, Sumdog and TT Rockstars please do not hesitate to let your child's teacher know. Alternatively please call the school office and we will be happy to help with any issues.

We have had 65 replies back for our Tech survey so far. Please send in your surveys ASAP so that we can use the information to plan for online learning.





Vegetable Quiz

- Potatoes were the first vegetable grown in space- True or False?
- Which of the following is NOT a vegetable?
 - Butternut squash
 - Cucumber
 - Lettuce
 - Tomato
- Potatoes, turnips, parsnips and carrots are all what type of veggie?
- Beetroot is usually what colour?
- Used on Halloween and orange in colour, what is the name of the vegetable?
- What vegetable can be eaten cooked or raw?
- What vegetable is long, skinny and green in colour?
- Bell peppers can be green, red and what other colour?