



THE ST MARY'S MESSENGER

FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026

THIS WEEK

What an incredible week it has been across our school, full of enrichment, excitement and memorable learning experiences.

Some of our KS2 pupils had the fantastic opportunity to visit Leicester University. With over 20,000 students, it is a vibrant, welcoming and commutable place to study, helping our children begin to imagine their own futures in higher education. The visit was made even more special by its historical links to Sir David Attenborough, who lived at the university when his father was Principle. The children were thrilled to see the very brick on which David Attenborough carved his name as a young boy.

As we celebrate Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday in 2026, we reflected on the extraordinary impact he has had on the world—from inspiring environmental action to fostering a love of nature across generations. Afterwards, the pupils went into the impressive De Montford Hall where music also took centre stage this week as pupils listened to a performance by the London Philharmonic Orchestra, experiencing the power and emotion of live classical music. Our children were completely inspired by the incredible performance. Our youngest adventurers in Butterfly Class enjoyed a wonderful trip to West Lodge Rural Centre, where learning came alive through hands-on encounters with animals and the countryside. The children saw baby Guinea pigs and fed lambs. What a truly special day.

Looking ahead, next week our Year 6 pupils complete their SATs. They have worked incredibly hard and we will be doing everything we can to support them, encourage them and help them achieve their full potential. We are enormously proud of their resilience and determination. Strong foundations in reading, writing and maths at primary level are closely linked to later success—making the learning and enrichment experiences our pupils receive now truly vital.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Butterfly Class - Harper

Dolphin Class - Harley

Bee Class - Iyowunam &

Emma

Deer Class - Fanton & Molly

Lamb Class - Jason

Eagle Class - Mary

Leopard Class - Ayan

Lion Class - Samuel

Dove Class - Sophia

Giraffes - Fernando

UPCOMING EVENTS

11th MAY - Year 6 SATS week

18th MAY - Aspiration Day mufti

18th MAY - Walk to school with a Spaceman

20th MAY - KS1 Twycross Zoo trip

21st MAY - Sports "Have a go" Day (KS1 & KS2)

22nd MAY - Sports "Have a go" Day (EYFS & Caterpillars)

22nd MAY - Break for Half Term

1st JUNE - Back to School

18th JUNE - Parent Forum

26th JUNE - School Closed



HAVE - A - GO DAY

JOIN US AT SCHOOL FOR AN ACTION-PACKED DAY OF TEAM
& INDIVIDUAL SPORTS CHALLENGES.

THURSDAY **21** MAY

9.00AM - 10.30 AM - DOLPHINS, BEES & DEERS

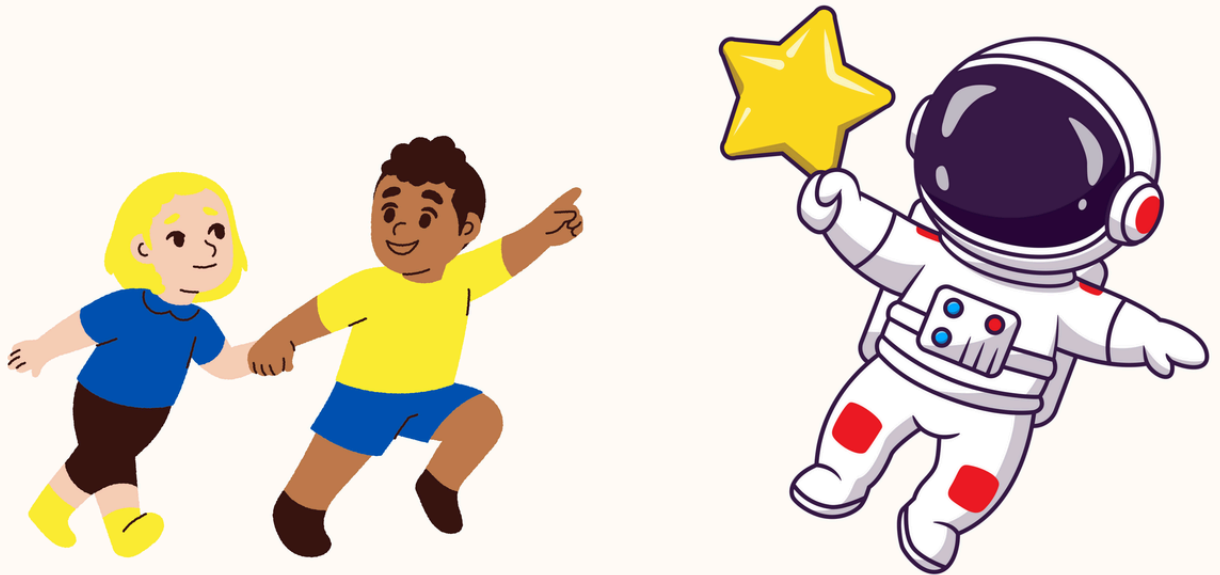
11.00AM - 12.30PM - LIONS & DOVES

1.30PM - 3.00PM - LAMBS, EAGLES & LEOPARDS

FRIDAY 22ND MAY - 9.00AM - 10.00AM -
BUTTERFLIES & CATERPILLARS



FAMILY WALK TO SCHOOL WITH AN ASTRONAUT ON ASPIRATION DAY



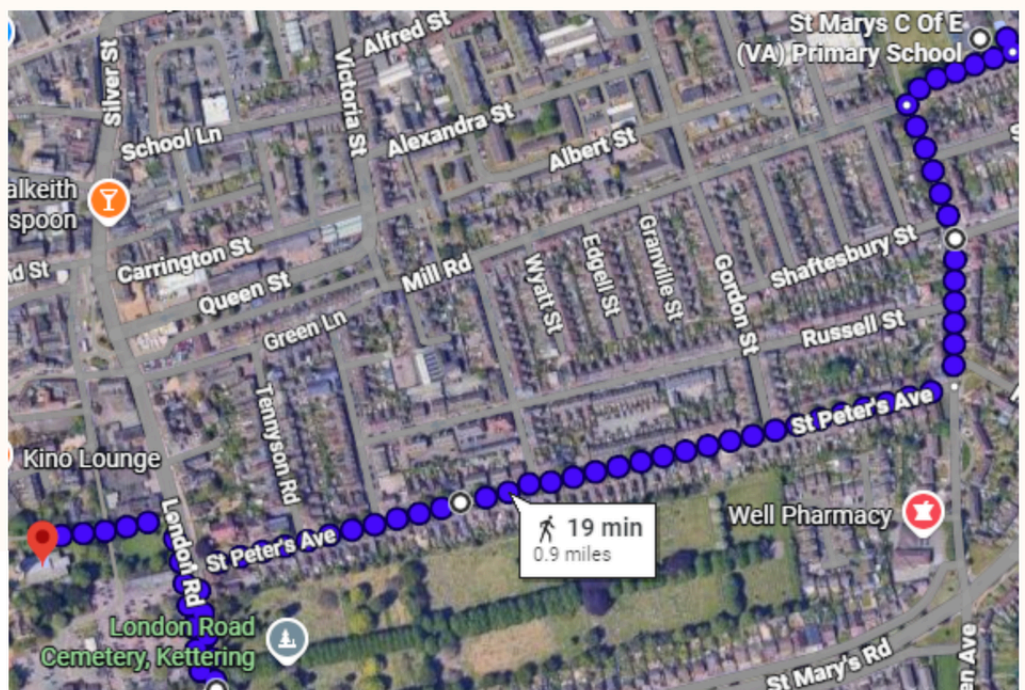
Monday 18 May

Meet at 8am at St Peter & St Paul Church

Ready to start walking to school at 8.15am.

Or join us on the way!

The blue dotted line is the walking route. Need to drive? Don't miss out! Why not 'Park and Stride' so you can join our walk. (Please park considerately).





ASPIRATION DAY MONDAY 18TH MAY


come to school dressed
as somebody who
inspires you - £1.00
donation to Brightwayz.



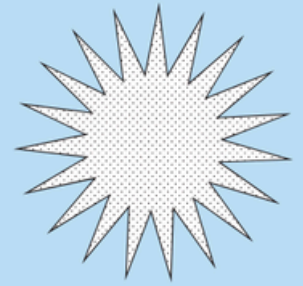
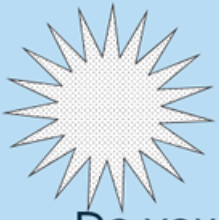
Understanding My Child's Worries

A Parent Workshop

Thursday 18th June






 2:15 – 3:00 pm

 School Hall



Do you notice your child feeling worried, anxious, or unsettled?
All children worry at times. This relaxed parent session will help you understand what's behind those worries and how you can support your child with confidence.


What we'll cover

-  What worry and anxiety look like in children
-  Why children worry
-  How worries can show up in behaviour and emotions
-  Simple, practical strategies to use at home
-  How to talk to your child about their worries

What you'll gain

- ✓ A better understanding of your child's feelings
- ✓ Practical tools you can use straight away
- ✓ Reassurance and support

Who is this session for?

 Parents and carers of children of all ages

Everyone welcome

A supportive, judgement-free space

Short, practical, and helpful

