

Friday 1st April 2022



The sunshine coupled with the flurry of snow has added to the excitement and enjoyment of the children's learning this week. Our 'Fruits of the Spirit' project culminated in a wide range of activities including a singsong with members of Christ the King members, designing a pebble (a new display will be featuring soon) and an opportunity to get spiritual in the Forest School.

Earlier in the week, we had a fantastic day playing tag rugby with members from the Saints Rugby club. All of you dressed up and gave generously to the PFA who ran a chocolate tombola in the reading shed.

Thank you so much to all of our parents and their families that gave of their time so generously this week. As we prepare for the Easter holiday, I remind you of the reason for this season, the death and resurrection of Jesus.

We have been thinking about how the Easter story links to the elements of the 'Fruits of the Spirit. We think of the love that Jesus showed through his sacrifice, the self-control that He demonstrated when he was in the desert, His kindness and goodness in being willing to be crucified on the cross and the joy and peace that it brings when Jesus rose again on Easter Sunday.

I pray that you and your family have a peaceful Easter break and come back to school filled with energy and renewed strength to continue learning successfully.

We look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Wednesday 20th April 2022.

With blessings,

Diane Wright MA (Education) HEADTEACHER





What jobs can you do?

At St Mary's school one of our key values is aspiration therefore we encourage children to strive to achieve and be the best they can be. To do this we will bring different professionals into school to share their achievements with the children and to explain how they strived to be the best they can be.

This also links to the children's 'My Amazing Journey' where they can see how they are progressing and how this progress will link to their future learning and careers.

This term Miss Perkins class have been reading Marcus Rashford's book:

"You are a champion, how to be the best you can be"

This is what they said about the book:

"The book has told us the importance of trying our best in school, even if I find it hard"

"Marcus Rashford has inspired me to aim to achieve my dreams"

I have spoken to the children and this is what some of them are aspiring to be:

"I want to be an artist because I really enjoy drawing"

"I want to be an elephant keeper at the zoo as elephants are my favourite animals"

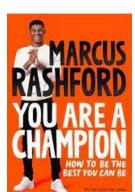
"I want to be a teacher because then you get the opportunity to help people learn"

"I want to have my own business"

"I want to be a fashion designer so that I can make my own clothes, make lots of different designs and make other people look nice when they go out!"

Mrs A Brown





A day of Rugby

On Tuesday, it was really lovely to see all of our children and staff turn up to school in Black, Green or Gold for the Northampton Saints' "Day of Rugby". We were happy to welcome professional coach Ollie into school, who delivered fantastically energetic Rugby Training Sessions for all of our children.

Here are two of our children's thoughts:

"I really enjoyed playing lag Rugby and running after my friends" – Edi

"I enjoyed playing lols of different games" – Evie

If Tuesday's session has inspired your child to take up Rugby, please visit the Kettering Town Rugby Club website <u>www.ketteringrugby.com</u> for more information on how your child can get started in mini rugby – who knows, we may have the next Jonny Wilkinson here at St Mary's.

Football Team



This week we were really delighted to find out that our School Football Team finished in 1st place in the Kettering Town Community Trust Spring Football League, three points in front of Barton Seagrave Primary in 2nd and 10 points in front of Park Junior in third. Congratulations, Jayden, Fabian, Beau, Niv, Mawuli, Alan and Nojus for not only showing fantastic teamwork and football skills, but for also representing the school in such a wonderful way.

Mr Collins

DSL, Behaviour, Altendance, Sports and Clubs Lead







St Mary's Space Day A pupil's voice



Mrs Hollingshurst class said-

-I want to go to the Milky Way, it made me wonder what it would be like to go inside a galaxy!

I saw my favourite planets, I enjoyed seeing astronauts and it was exciting as it looked like things were falling on us!

Mrs A Brown's class said:

After going to the space dome- "can we go and live on other planets? That would be really cool".

"What do you have to do to be an Astronaut?"

The children wondered how big the solar system was and if there were more than one solar system, how could we get there? How long would it take and if anybody already lived there.

The children contemplated if we were a small planet and how so many people manage to fit on it!



Mrs Heaney's class said:

It gave us a better understanding of outer space, making us, humans seem insignificant!

The Dome experience was a very fun and interesting session. The experience felt very, very real.

Lying on my back for the duration was a little uncomfortable but completely worth it as overall I had the best experience of my life!

Mr Savage's class said:

It made me feel like I was there, I think the world must be spinning slowly or we would fall off!

It makes me think God must have made it because it had come from somewhere

It made me feel the first astronaut was brave and the planets are amazing. They are all amazing!





We have changed the process of ordering school meals on SchoolGrid slightly and you will now require a credit on your account or have a Direct Debit set up to be able to place orders.

Please note this does not affect your account if you are entitled to Free School Meals or if your child receives Universal Infant Free School Meals (Reception, Year 1 or Year 2).

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