

ST MARY'S INFANTS SCHOOL FRIDAY FLIER

“ Sharing, Caring, Learning and Loving with God

”

Friday 03rd October 2025

Dates To Remember

Harvest Service – Thursday 09th October - <https://forms.gle/LkQqUeXM9wC2Ts8K8>

Please complete the google form, this will close on Monday at 3pm.

World Mental Health Day – Wear Something Yellow – Friday 10th October

Show Racism The Red Card – Wear Something Red – Friday 17th October

School Allotment

Last week, Year 2 had a wonderful time harvesting vegetables from our school allotment. It was such a joy to see the children actively involved in the whole process—from planting and caring for the plants to finally picking the vegetables.



We have been watching these vegetables grow since March and the children truly enjoyed learning hands-on about growth and patience.

Our harvest was a mixture of onions, carrots, potatoes and turnips. Some of the vegetables were tiny, while others grew much larger than we expected, making for a truly organic and diverse selection. This experience helped to teach the children valuable lessons in self-sufficiency and nurturing nature, skills that we hope will stay with them for life.

We're already looking forward to next year's growing season!
Miss Markiewicz

Open Dates for Prospective Parents

04.11.2025 – Open Morning 09:30am

04.11.2025 – Stay and Play 03:30pm

18.11.2025 – Open Evening 04:00pm

<https://forms.gle/hH6zzoR8hRA5NaAq8>

iRock Assembly

Thursday 16th October – 14:40

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to let you know that St Mary's Infants will be hosting a special iRock assembly on Thursday 16th October in the school hall.

iRock provides children with the opportunity to experience the thrill of playing in their very own rock band. During the assembly, the children will see what iRock is all about, performing live music and sharing the fun, energy, and confidence that comes with making music together.

We warmly invite you to join us for this exciting event and see how iRock inspires teamwork, creativity, and a love of music in our pupils.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for what promises to be a lively and enjoyable performance!

Please complete the google form - <https://forms.gle/fPigQFYGkZTF9EBh8>

Best regards,

Mrs Ewer

Pupil Premium

Please visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals , call on 0300 123 4048 or speak to the school office to see if your child qualifies for the Pupil Premium Grant.

You can check your eligibility on the website linked above. The school receives additional funding if your child is eligible and can support with school uniform, cost of trips, paying for Premier Education Clubs and funding music lessons for your child.

Calendar Dates

Please follow the link below which will take you to our school calendar. This is regularly updated for you all to refer to.

[Term Dates & Calendar – St Mary's Church of England VC Infant School \(stmarysinfants.herts.sch.uk\)](http://stmarysinfants.herts.sch.uk)

When Is It OK to Attend School? – NHS Guidance

According to the NHS:

- Minor coughs, colds, runny noses or sore throats are usually **not** reasons to keep a child off school, as long as they feel well enough.
- However, **if your child has a fever or high temperature**, keep them off school until the fever has gone.
- For illnesses that can easily spread, (e.g. diarrhoea, vomiting, chickenpox): **special rules apply**
 - Diarrhoea and/or vomiting → wait **48 hours after the last episode** before returning.
 - Chickenpox → stay home until all the blisters have crusted over (usually ~5 days).
 - Impetigo → return when lesions are crusted or after 48 hours on antibiotics.
- Conjunctivitis - You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis, unless they are feeling very unwell. Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.
- Scarlet fever - If your child has scarlet fever, they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise, they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.
- Slapped cheek syndrome - You don't need to keep your child off school if they have slapped cheek syndrome because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. But let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

You can view the full NHS guidance here: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

If your child must stay home, Message via dojo or call the School Office before 08:30am on the first day of absence. If your child continues to be unwell, please update the school each day updating on the symptoms preventing them from attending school.
