



ST MARY'S INFANTS SCHOOL FRIDAY FLIER

“ Sharing, Caring, Learning and Loving with God

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Friday 19th September 2025

Reminders

Please remember to bring your child's reading book and diary every day.

Dates

25.09.2025 – KS1 Phonics Workshop and Screening Info – 03:20 pm (approx. 30mins)

09.10.2025 – Harvest Service – Please fill in the below google form

<https://forms.gle/LkQgUeXM9wC2Ts8K8>

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](https://stmarysinfants.herts.sch.uk)
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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

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.

Reception Phonics

Thank you to all those who were able to attend the Reception Phonics meeting yesterday afternoon.

Attached are the slides used and some videos that were shared if you were unable to attend the meeting.

We spoke a lot about 'little and often' always being better than nothing - there is no expectation for the children to read whole books every evening during the Infant School but 5 mins with parents/carers or even older siblings every evening makes the world of difference to phonics progress in school. This could be practicing sounds, reading a sentence, spotting sounds in the environment, playing 'fred' games to practice blending.

Please keep an eye out for your child's sound books in their book bags, these are the sounds your child has learnt in school, space to practice writing the sounds as well as a QR code on the back cover to scan to play a blending game with Fred.

If you have any questions about phonics or how you can best support your child at home please do speak to Mrs Prue or myself as English lead.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUbrJPAt65g>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vhLjXT1jP9M>

