

## Newsletter 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### Headteacher's comments

I cannot believe that we are coming to the end of the academic year. The children in Reception and Year One have enjoyed meeting their new teachers for next year. I know that Year Two are excited about their transition to Junior school next week.

The weather has been very warm recently and is looking like it will get very hot again next week. Please ensure your child comes to school with a sun hat and you have applied sun cream before school.

Have a lovely weekend!

Laura Fielding

### **Parents Big Voice Survey**

Thank you to everyone who responded to the Parent Big Voice. We really appreciate the feedback. Some of the comments made were about the school looking tired and we are working hard to try and spruce up the school where possible. I hope you can see the hard work from the site team starting to take shape. I would also like to sign post all parents to the school website where each class has their own page and the teachers update what the children have been learning each week. We will continue to unpick all the feedback received to see how we can improve.

### **Unit expansion**

Thank you for your ongoing support with the unit expansion. I am sure you have been aware of the builders on site. The expansion is going really well and should be completed by the end of the month. We are excited about the new children joining us in September.

### **Summer Fete- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 1530-1730**

We are continuing to plan for the summer fete next week. If you have any sweet cones or any other donations please can you hand these into the school office early next week so we have time to get everything organised. The weather looks good too!

### **Swimming safety**

As we approach summer holidays and children spend more time in and around water, we want to remind you of the importance of water safety and to encourage you to have conversations with your children about the potential dangers.

Water safety is crucial for everyone, and it's particularly important for children who may not fully understand the risks involved. Drowning can happen quickly and silently, even in shallow water. We want to ensure our children have the knowledge and skills to stay safe in and around water.

Key Water Safety Messages:

- Supervision: Always supervise children closely when they are near water, even in their own home or garden.

- Local Waterways: Our local waterways can have strong currents, hidden hazards, polluted water, and cold-water shock. Always be aware of these risks.
- Stay SAFE. Remind children to STAY AWAY FROM the EDGE
- Water Safety Code: Teach your children the Water Safety Code: STOP & THINK, STAY TOGETHER, FLOAT, CALL 999
- Emergency Contacts: In an emergency, call 999.
- What3Words: Get your children to download the 'what-3-words' app to their phone. If they see someone in trouble by the water, call 999 immediately. They can use the what3words address to help emergency services know exactly where to send help. The app is free to use and can be accessed on both Android and Apple devices.

**Actionable Advice:**

- Have open conversations with your children about water safety. Repeating safety messages regularly will help young children remember what to do
- Ensure your children are equipped with appropriate clothing and sun protection.
- Be honest about whether they are competent swimmers (Can they swim 100m in clothes, float to live and tread water?)
- Know where your children are at all times.
- Remind children not to be peer pressured into swimming where they aren't comfortable, especially if they are not strong swimmers.
- Remind children to stay together to look out for each other and discourage stupid behaviour. Be a mate before it's too late.

## Staffing for September 2025

We are pleased to announce the staffing structure for next year:

<b>SLT</b>	Headteacher	Laura Fielding
	Assistant Headteacher vulnerable SENDCo	Libby Cross
	Assistant Headteacher Curriculum and assessment	Claire Tomlin
<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>TAs</b>
Caterpillars (Nursery)	Karen Hornsey	Sally Austin Beth Wilson
Butterflies (Preschool)	Bethany Lindsay	Tanith Woolnough Louise Cox
Buttercups YR	Claire Tomlin	Misha Bage Karen Ellis Jane Adams
Bluebells YR	Abigail Huntington	
Poppy Y1	Sarah Foy	Angela Gipp
Daisy Y1	Samantha Hankins	
Foxglove Y2	Gabrielle Hayes	Sue Thompson
Tulip Y2	Jacob McCaughan	

Clover The Unit	Laura Toth	Tracey Wymer Amanda Smith Helen Stephens
Iris class The Unit	Martha Radbourne	Julia Wisbey Samantha Bates Jade Smith
Lily class The Unit	Susie Stanforth	Carolyn Goodall Mel Abbott Hannah Pain
Cover supervisor	Jo Golding	
Forest school lead	Russ Malster	
Phonics interventions	Sam Kerry (KS1)	
Pastoral support assistant	Julie Jugg	
Thrive practitioner	Lyndsey Oakey	
Office staff	Emily Collen Kimberley Duff	
Business Manager	Vicki Fowler	
Finance Manager	Zoe Thistlethwaite	
Lunch staff	Judy Hardy Gemma Doughty Jo Murfitt Chloe Beaumont-Whitmore Amy Harding	
Site Manager	Tim Peachey	
Groundsman	Sam Harding	
Cleaners	Amy Harding Sally Orton-Gregory Chloe Hague	



## Dates for the diary:

8 <sup>th</sup> July	New to Reception transition morning 0930-1030
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 transition to Year 3 (ESM)
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 Dress rehearsal to school @ 1400
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Spring Meadow summer fete
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 production to parents @1400
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 production to parents @1400
16 <sup>th</sup> July	iRock Concert 0900
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Sammy's magic show 1400
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 trip to Hunstanton/Sealife Centre
21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of year reports to parents
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Movie afternoon
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 2 leavers party
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Leavers assembly Last day of term for children



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TO  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
MON 25<sup>th</sup> BH (NO CLUB)

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**SUMMER PARTY**

**THURSDAY- 17TH- JULY**

**SPRING MEADOW 15:15PM - 16:45PM**  
**INFANT SCHOOL PRICE £7.00**

PLEASE NOTE COLLECTION FROM ST MARYS JUNIOR SCHOOL.

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED END OF TERM SUMMER PARTY; IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE THE CHILDREN'S HARD WORK WITH A RANGE OF EXCITING GAMES AND ACTIVITIES.

A HEALTHY SNACK WILL BE PROVIDED AS WELL AS SOME SWEET SUMMER TREATS, AND CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO UNWIND AND PLAY WITH FRIENDS AFTER A BUSY DAY AT SCHOOL.

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