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Family Update – Friday 28th November

Dear Families,

The Autumn Term is always busy, and this term is no exception. Last week was Maths Week and as well as learning about money, on Friday 21st November, we held our annual Business Fair. It was wonderful to see the array of business attire worn by the children.

I gave each class £20 at the start of the week as a business start-up loan, and tasked the children with designing and creating a product that could be sold at the fair at the end of the week. There were some innovative ideas and I even heard talk of 'dynamic pricing'. It was wonderful to see this in action, in the playground, as family members joined the throng at pick up. Those last-minute sales, really boosted the final class totals.

Overall, the classes made over £755 in profit! This is the most profit the Business Fair has ever made. The class that made the most profit, an astounding £192, is Year 3. They beat Year 5 and 6 into second place by just £8. Well done to the children in Year 3, Miss Quinn and Mrs Pugh. I cannot wait to hear how they spend their profit.

A huge 'thank you' must also go to Mrs Hardie, our Maths Lead. Thank you for organising Maths Week and Business Fair and for generating so much entrepreneurial spirit.



Parent Workshop: Keeping Children Safe Online

We would like to invite all parents and carers to a short but extremely important workshop on the dangers of primary-aged children using social media and mobile phones at home. The workshop will be held at St Mary's on Thursday 4th December from 9am to 9.30am, and will be led by Miss Green.

With more children accessing apps, games and messaging earlier than ever, it's vital that we understand the risks and know how to keep them safe. During this 30-minute session, we'll look at the most common online dangers, real examples of issues we see in school, and simple, practical steps you can take at home to protect your child.

We strongly encourage all families to attend. A little guidance now can make a huge difference to your child's wellbeing online.

Parent Choir

Our Christmas service, on **Wednesday 17th December at 2.30pm**, is rapidly approaching and the first rehearsal of the parent choir is next week and will be led by Mrs Igbinoba and our accompanist-in-residence Miss Amalia!

The parent choir will perform at the start of the service, and we will sing a version of 'Carol of the Bells' in two parts (in the style of the band Pentatonix).

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WSUFzC6_fp8&list=RDWSUFzC6_fp8&start_radio=1

There will be two rehearsals:

- 1) Tuesday 2nd December at 2.15pm
- 2) Monday 15th December at 2.15pm

There will be a brief opportunity to warm up our voices and run through the song before the service.

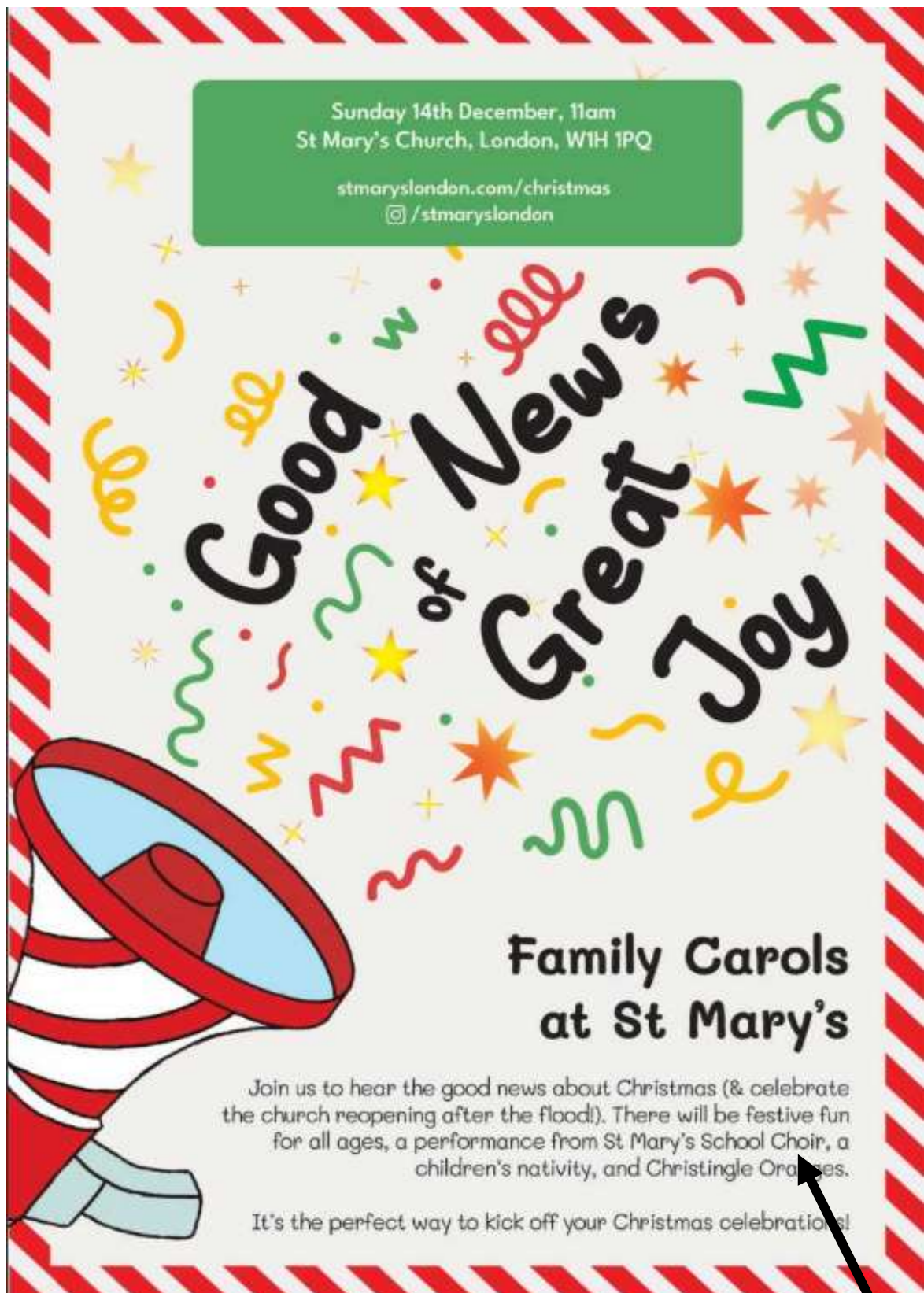
All parents are invited to join and you do not need to be able to read music to take part. We ask that all parents taking part attend at least one rehearsal.



Please sign up, using the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1BjDSNjTi4SQ22FQFT1iqf3f2wDvjdhFyY8eFMSnQSE0/edit>

Family Carols



Please come along and support the school choir!

Year 2 Autumn Learning



In **Science**, we have been learning about the different animal groups. From bird watching to discovering humans are mammals with hair all over their bodies, our curiosity has definitely been piqued!

In **Maths**, we have been learning about place value to 100 and exploring different methods for adding and subtracting, as well as applying this to money.



In **PE**, we have been learning to be champion gymnasts. We have explored different ways to link jumps, balances and rolls on apparatus.

In **RE**, we have been learning about the significance of the symbol of light for Christians at Christmas. Here are our Christingles we made!



Year 3 Autumn Learning



In **PE**, we have been developing our understanding of symmetrical and asymmetrical balances. We've enjoyed experimenting with different shapes and partner balances, focusing on control, stability, and teamwork.



In **Maths**, we have been learning about place value to 1000 and different addition and subtraction strategies, as well as exploring money. We recently designed, created and sold products at the Business Fair during maths week where we made £192 profit!

In **English**, we have been learning how to use dictionaries and thesauruses to help improve our writing. We have been practising how to look up words and find varied, more interesting vocabulary choices.

Additionally, we have loved diving into our English text, *'Escape from Pompeii'*, exploring the story and its setting.



Attendance

Well done to Year 4, our attendance winners this week with an outstanding 98.6% attendance.

Congratulations, Year 4!

Class	Attendance figures
Nursery	93.1%
Reception	90.1%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	82.4%
Year 4	98.6%
Year 5 /6	94%

Dates for Diaries

Important events for the remainder of the academic year. All of these dates are also on our school website calendar here: <https://www.stmbs.org.uk/diary/grid/2024/09/>

Date	Time	Focus	Led by/who is invited
Wed 3 rd Dec	3.30pm	Festive Bake Sale	Whole School
Mon 8 th Dec	3.30pm	FOSMA Christmas Fair (TBC)	Whole School
Mon 15 th Dec	9.30am	Early Years Christmas Show	Nursery and Reception parents
Tues 16th Dec	9.30am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Show	Year 1 and 2
Tues 16 th Dec	11.30am – 1pm	Christmas Jumper Day	Whole School
Tues 16 th Dec	4pm – 5.30pm	Carol singing at Marylebone Station	Choir plus children from Years 3-6.
Wed 17 th Dec	2.30pm	School Christmas Service at St Mary's Church	Whole school
Friday 19 th Dec	1.30pm	Last day of Term School finishes at 1.30pm on this day. There will be no wrap around club on this day!	Whole School

Dear God,

We thank you for all the wonderful learning experiences that have taken place in and out of school over the last two weeks.

As we look forward to the season of Advent, we pray that our hearts will be filled with hope and excitement for all the joy that the end of term will bring.

May your light guide us through the days and weeks to come.

Amen

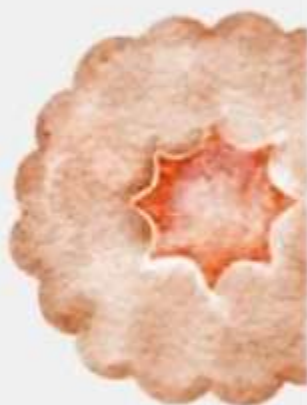
Festive Bake Sale

WHERE: EDIBLE GARDEN
ST MARY'S BRYANSTON SQUARE

WHEN: WEDNESDAY
3RD. DECEMBER 2025

TIME: 3:30 -4.30PM

Enjoy: Festive Holiday
Beverages, Cozy Hot Chocolate,
Mulled Wine, Tasty Treats.
Plenty Of Laughter And Joy.
Ideal For After School
Pickups!



Major Food
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Please join us for

**ST MARY'S BRYANSTON SQUARE
ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS FAIR**



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**8th December
from 3.30 to 5pm
The School Hall**



There's an abundance of joy to experience! Join a sleigh ride packed with enjoyable activities, delicious snacks, and thrilling prizes. Seize the opportunity to find one-of-a-kind handmade gifts!

Help St Mary's Bryanston Square recover from the flood and spread Christmas joy! See the Crowdfunder link above.