



ST MARY'S CE PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER



Newsletter 2 - Friday 26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has certainly been a very busy first month of the school year. I am delighted that I can share with you many of the exciting events that have taken place in school. Please also make a note of the key dates for the term. We have needed to change the dates of Harvest to the 17th October. Thank you for your understanding.

There are many additional reminders and notices in our newsletter this week which I hope you will find helpful.

Each newsletter will also share with you the attendance of each class and the whole school. Thank you for your support in ensuring your child attends school every day unless they are unwell. I would like to start some rewards for children who have attendance 95% or more and will talk to the children more about that next week.

This week I met with the wonderful PTA team and Edible Garden team. Please reach out to them if you would like to support the school in any of the events. More parental support is needed for both. We'd love you to get involved.

Thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful weekend,

Katharine Anstey

Key Dates for this term

PTA disco 16th October - see PTA flyer

Harvest Service in St Mary's Church - **Friday 17th October 2pm** - All parents/carers welcome

PTA Harvest Show Friday 17th October - See PTA flyer

FLOURISH Harvest - all welcome **Friday 17th October 3.15 -4.30pm** - See flyer

Parent Consultation Meetings Tuesday 21st October and Wednesday 22nd October. Further booking details to follow

Half term - No children in school 27th - 31st October

Inset day - No children in school 3rd November

Children return to school Tuesday 4th November

Last day of term Thursday 18th December

Inset day - No children in school Friday 19th December and Monday 5th January

First day of term of Spring Term for children - **Tuesday 6th January 2026**

BUILDING A CARING COMMUNITY WHERE ALL CAN LEARN AND SHINE

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Attendance

Everyday Every lesson

This week our attendance is...

Reception -

Year 1 -

Year 2 -

Year 3 -

Year 4 -

Year 5 -

Year 6 -

Whole School -

The school gates open at 8.40 and close at 8.50. The school day ends at 3.15.

Our Whole school target is 97%



Safeguarding

Our safeguarding team is Mrs Anstey, Mrs Samuel, Ms Barnett and Mrs Gerrard.

We work closely with families and professionals providing support when it may be needed. If you have any concerns about a child's safety please come and talk to us.



Pick up and drop off Reminder

The car park is for staff only. We have parking permits in the School Office for the football car park next door for use at picking up and dropping off times

(8.30 – 9.00 am and 3.00 – 3.30 pm) only.

The School premises are a **STRICTLY NO SMOKING AREA**. It is school policy that no person is allowed to smoke on site. For health and safety reasons, dogs are not allowed on the school premises unless the dog is classed as an assistance dog.

Open days

We are holding open morning visits for families who have a child starting Reception in September 2026. Contact the school office to book a visit.

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Year 3,4,5,6

Yr 6 had a fantastic residential visit to Wildside. They loved the zip wires, the walks, the camping and especially the night walk!

Yr 5 have enjoyed a visit to West bay today to learn about how to care for our beautiful environment.

Year 4 have started Forest school this term and have also been on a local walk.

Year 3 have made a wonderful start learning to swim. We are so proud of them!

Year Reception, 1, 2

Year 2 are enjoying their learning and have learnt how to mix primary colours to make secondary colours.

Year 1 have enjoyed some furry visitors into the classroom.

Reception are making a brilliant start to phonics and are already learning to recognise and blend the letters s m d a. Absolutely brilliant!

St Mary's Edible garden

Join our Growing Community!

Volunteer with us on a Wednesday pm

- + Enjoy light gardening tasks
- +Support our kids' garden groups
- +Be part of a friendly green community
- +Learn new gardening skills

Interested? Contact us today
sarahwilberforce@gmail.com

*Taste our apples and pears on
Wednesday October 8th at 3.15pm at the front of
school*

PTA Events

Please see the posters with the Disco and Autumn Show details.

The PTA events can only run with the support of parents so please reach out via the facebook page if you can give even a small amount of time to help.

Please click [here](#) to see the PTA facebook page with further details about events and how you can support.

Apply for a school place posters

**STARTING
SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 2026**



**Is your 3 or 4 year old starting school in
September 2026?**

**Welcome to St Mary's School Bridport
Find out more about our school in one of
the following open days:**

Parent/Carer one hour tours

7th October 9:15 or 10:30

14th October 9:15 or 10:30

21st October 9:15 or 10:30



**Book a space now by contacting the schools
office :**

01308423065 /

office@stmarvsceprimary.org

**Building a caring community, where all can learn and
shine!**

Harvest Time fun for all!

Flourish at Harvest Time!

Come and join the celebration on 17th October
Starting at school pick up time in the Hall, to finish by 4.30 pm.
Games, reflection, story and treasure hunt.
Snack and drink provided free of charge.

Everyone welcome.

