



7th April 2022

Dear Twyford St Mary's Families,

With parents' evenings, end of term trips and celebrations and of course the Easter service the school term draws to a close with a bang! Thank you to everyone who helped to make this term a massive success and we look forward to welcoming you back after a restful break. **HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!**

Willow visit Winchester!



On Monday, Willow class went on a school trip to the popular Winchester Cathedral and learned several fun facts about the famous city. We went on a tour around the cathedral and saw the organ pipes, chests full of bones, the shard-glass window and many more awe-inspiring things.

We then took part in a workshop with local volunteers of the Cathedral to gather up facts related to tourism to include in our leaflets and learned more things we didn't know; for example, Winchester has a population of over 45,000! We also learned that Winchester College is very old and was made in the 1460's! We had a talk about history in Winchester and on the way to the cathedral we saw a brief view of a part of the high

street.

Generally we had a lot of fun and it has encouraged others to go to Winchester more often. What a great Monday!

[By Thaleia and Tilly](#)



Hunter Park Golden Time club – outdoor learning



Outdoor learning is a feature of our curriculum we adore and Miss Priest leads this with great enthusiasm with her trips to Hunter Park for Golden Time!

Last week, pupils created their own 'green man' statues using resources from the environment.

Here is a photo of The Green Man, created by Roscoe and Wilf.

Next term, we look forward to Year 3 starting weekly forest school sessions on Tuesday afternoons with Emma Clode of Canopy Forest Schools.

Yew Class Trip to the Hawk Conservancy

Yew class went on a school trip last week to the Hawk Conservancy to go and study different birds and their adaptations. We learnt a lot of interesting facts about birds. Like how owl pellets have been found in the Amazon containing bones of small mammals that haven't even been discovered!

We all watched two bird flying displays which included the birds doing tricks and even flying right above our heads! Watching the peregrine falcon plummeting at speeds of up to 200 mph was truly spectacular. We also got up close and personal with a tawny owl called Troy and saw how he could camouflage against the bark of the trees and move his head 270 degrees around.

We all learned lots with great enthusiasm and enjoyed our trip immensely.

[By Eveny and Venne](#)



Easter Service of 'Hope' 2022

A message of hope was shared in this year's Easter service, with children singing, reading verses, sharing prayers, dancing and being excellent comperes for our wonderful audience at St. Mary's Church. A huge congratulations to all our pupils who showed our values of courage and joy throughout the performance.

A big thank you to Kat Molesworth who also took professional photographs for us to remember this wonderful event.



Bag2School

Bag2School is just around the corner!

The following items are accepted into the bags for reuse: **good quality clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels.** They cannot accept duvets, pillows, cushions or any school/work uniforms.

This year, the bags will be collected in the first week back after Easter Holidays on **Tuesday 26th April.** **Leaflets have gone home with children today. Please put your unwanted clothing into bags and put on the top playground under the shelter on the morning of 26th April.**



Have a lovely break TSM families!

Warm wishes,

Sophie Davies

Headteacher



Star of the Week

Class	Name	Reason
Ash	Max	For always having a go at tricky challenges set for him in Ash Class!
Beech	Archie	For being a Persevering Pig when writing a letter to Mummy Pig. Well done for keeping going Archie!
Sycamore	Ollie	For his excellent teamwork, sharing ideas and listening to others, when discussing reasons behind the Fall of Rome.
Willow	Chase	For very insightful and well-considered ideas around choosing symbols to represent the different parts of the Easter story in RE.
Yew	Wilf	For having a successful term and for his effort and perseverance when writing a character description in English this week.



Roll of Honour

Class	Name	Reason
Ash	Frankie	For his creative and independent writing about Mr Benn's adventures!
	Aurelia	Being a persevering pig to write and find all the words in our tricky word hunt!
Beech	Evie	For being a Curious Cat when writing a book review of 'Huffing and Puffing'. Super statement sentences Evie!
	Sienna	For thinking really carefully about when she has been sad and happy when reflecting on the Easter story.
Sycamore	Tess	For her fantastic work in maths this week, telling the time in both analogue and digital formats.
	Joe	For his unerring efforts to dig deeper and make links between his own historical knowledge and our Roman topic learning, seeking always to explain and justify his thoughts.
Willow	Seren	For great questioning skills during our tourism workshops on our trip this week.
	Rafferty	For independently applying our work on persuasive language to his home learning about visiting Winchester.
Yew	Sophie E	For creating an excellent blurb on Purple Mash to promote her 'book' that the children have been writing extracts of, in English this week.
	Molly	For showing tremendous courage (even though she was nervous) when presenting her reading in the Easter Service.

Dates for your diary

Spring Term	
8 th April	INSET day/End of term
Summer Term	
25 th April	First day of Summer Term
26 th April	Bag2School Collection
26 th April	Year 3 Forest School programme begins

26th April	Cricket match at Hunter Park – letter to follow
27th April	Stubington celebration evening – 5.30pm
28th April	Year 5 Swimming programme begins
2nd May	Bank Holiday
W/C 3rd May	After School Activity Clubs begin this week
9th – 12th May	Year 6 SATS Weeks
30th May – 3rd June	<u>Half Term Break</u>
10th June	Penguins swimming gala
14th June	Willow class trip to Winchester Science Centre
16th June	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Winchester Cathedral
21st June	Year 5 Music and Drama event at Twyford Prep School
4th July	INSET day
11th July	Final week of After School Activity Clubs
15th July	PTA Pre-loved Uniform Sale
21st July	Last day of Summer Term



Church Corner

Don't forget the upcoming events with St Mary's Church!

Upcoming Events at St Mary's Church	
9th April	Annual church Spring clean from 10.00am
13th April	Twyford Benefice Evening Prayer at 07.30am
15th April	Twyford Benefice Holy Communion at 11.00am
17th April	Easter Sunday Service at 11.00 (followed by an Easter egg hunt)