



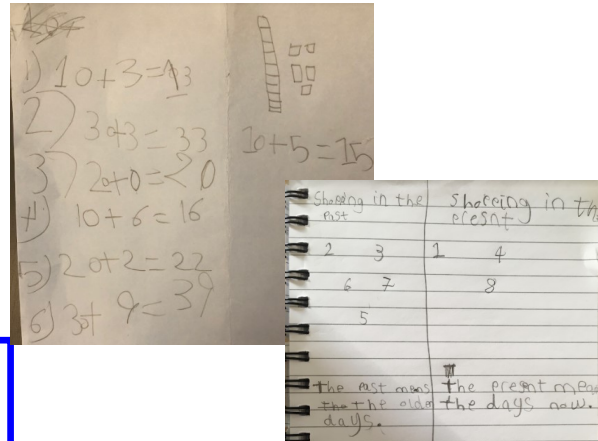
St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 8th January 2021
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Go, shine in the world and live as Jesus lived, with compassion, honesty and integrity. ★

Dear Parents and carers,
Happy New Year. Please remember, even though your child is learning from home, we are still here for you. Please do get in touch if you need to.
Best wishes from Mr Webb and Mrs Jackson

We have got off to a brilliant start this week with remote learning. Nearly all children have attended three lessons a day and handed in all work. This is an incredible start and we can only get even better! Thank you to all teaching staff, parents and children this week for all you have done to make this happen.



Reading... The best research for many years tells us that the children who do best in school practise reading the most. Reading is a necessity for learning and a lifelong skill. We know that children who struggle to learn to read have a much harder, steeper path with all other areas of learning. It affects their social skills, well-being, attainment and progress. This in turn means that a child who does not succeed with reading has a poorer life chance and fewer opportunities as an adult. Please ensure that your children is reading every day at home.



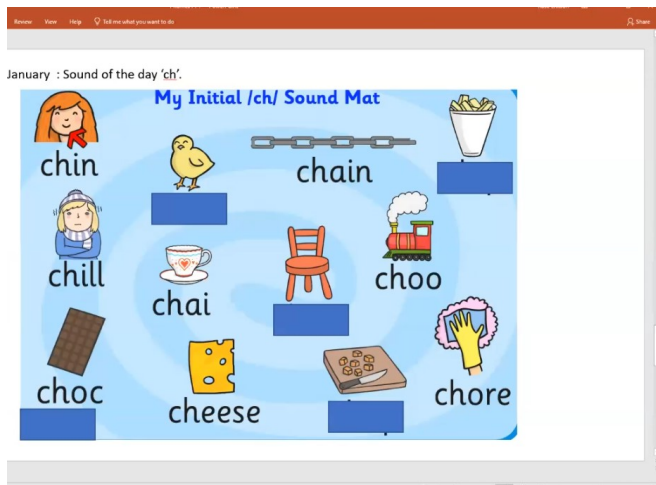
Listening to your child read and sharing a book daily is so important. That precious 20 minutes every day is time very well spent.



Please remember to read every day on Bug Club!

Answers:

- 1) I think that the Highwayman was a notorious criminal and very good at escaping because the front cover of the book showed a ghost.
- 2) I think that the story was set in the 18th century because there was a horse in the picture of the front cover and horses were not common on the road these days.
- 3) I think it was an adventure story about the police trying to catch the Highwayman.



Important dates for your diary.....



Monday 15th February to Friday

19th February—Half term break—children not at school or learning from home.

Wednesday 31st March—last day of term

Thursday 1st April—Friday 16th April—Easter Holidays

Nursery and Reception classes September 2021..

The deadline for applications to Reception and Nursery is **January 15th 2021**. School application forms are available from the school office or download from the school website.

For Reception, you should also make an online application in the borough in which you live by visiting www.eadmissions.org.uk

Please remember that if your child is currently in our Nursery, you must still apply for a place in Reception.

If you know friends or family that want to apply for places, please remind them of the deadline so they don't miss out!

Free School Meals

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals then you are able to request a lunch which you can come to collect from school. Please let us know by phoning the school office on 020 7372 6565 the day before.

The government have announced that they plan to introduce either food hampers or vouchers for children entitled to Free School Meals.

We will let you know when these become available.

If you have recently applied for Free School Meals and are now eligible, please let us know.

Or if you think you might now be eligible then apply at

<https://accountforms.camden.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals/> to see if your child is eligible.

Even if you do not take a Free School Meal, or if you do not pay for lunch because your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, please still apply as there is additional funding available to the school for every eligible child. Thank you

Informing us if anyone in your household tests positive for coronavirus

If your child or anyone in your household is tested for coronavirus and receives a positive test result, please do let us know by email to admin@stmarykilburn.camden.sch.uk so that we know that your child may not be able to join online learning and that we can check in with you to see if everything is ok.

- 1) To arrange a test you should visit nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test
- 2) **DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the same day they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough



high temperature



loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

Under 13	13+	16+	17+
 Roblox	 Twitter	 TikTok	 WhatsApp
 PopJam	 Facebook and Messenger	 Skype	 Telegram Messenger
 FaceTime	 Viber	 Google Hangouts	 Tumblr
	 WeChat	 Reddit	
	 Monkey	 Snapchat	
	 Yubo	 Pinterest	
	 Dubsmash		 Line
	 Instagram		 Sarahah
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Sourced from NSPCC website October 2019

Our prayer...

We celebrated the Epiphany as part of the Christmas season on Wednesday 6th January. The story of the wise men is a story for all of us.

God of love,
we hear in the Bible the story of how the wise men followed the star to Jesus until they found him.

Help us to follow the star of Jesus in our own lives as we make our journey of faith.
Guide us and be with us in all things.
Amen.